

## M'CRACKEN CHALLENGES SENATE'S RIGHT TO TRY HIM

### Million Workers In France Strike In Protest Against Possible Fascist Control

#### WHOLE OF FRANCE SLOWED DOWN AS WORKERS GO OUT

Labor Leaders Estimate Strike 80 Percent Effective, Government Says Only Half

#### DEMONSTRATIONS IN THE LEADING CITIES

Persuasion Ordered in Dealing With Mobs, But Soldiers Are Held in Reserve; Nearly 500 Arrested for Obstructing Traffic, But Will Be Freed

Paris, Feb. 12.—(AP)—A general one-day strike slowed down the whole of France today as 1,000,000 workers walked out in a warning of what they can do should their rights be infringed upon.

Telephone communication facilities between London and Paris were broken off because of the strike. The French Federation of Labor, which called the strike, beginning at midnight, estimated that it was 80 percent effective.

The ministry of the interior, however, announced that things were going at about half speed, with lights, water, gas and railroad service unimpeded.

Violence often seemed near, but only a few minor clashes of workers and pickets were reported.

Nearly 500 were arrested for obstructing traffic and for violent picketing and some window breaking. Most of them, however, will be released from jail tonight, police said.

Big demonstrations and parades in the provinces at Marseilles, Lille and other principal cities were reported uneventful.

Amid reports that Premier Doumergue would ask dictatorial powers, the 24-hour strike was called as a gesture of protest against any resort to Fascist control.

In Paris leaders of two big open air meetings called in the enormous

### Notorious Criminals Arrested

#### Banghart and Costner Taken in Baltimore; Linked With Charlotte Robbery

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 12.—(AP)—Fingerprints on a beer bottle reached out today to snatch two long-hunted men to prison.

The prints, police said, are those of Basil Banghart—"the Owl"—and Lane Costner, arrested here yesterday and wanted for kidnaping and highway robbery.

Banghart is regarded as one of America's cleverest criminals; a Carolina mountaineer with a trail of arrests and indictments stretching from the Carolinas to Chicago. He is wanted in Chicago as a member of the notorious Touhy gang in connection with the kidnaping of John (Jake the Barber) Factor.

The beer bottle fingerprints, however, reached for him today not from Chicago but from Charlotte, N. C., where on last November 15 a mail truck was robbed of \$105,000.

At an apartment in Charlotte where the mail robbers lived a bottle was found. On it were the fingerprints of Banghart and Costner and of two other men, Charles (Ike) Connors and Ludwig (Dutch) Schmidt.

The capture "the Owl" and Costner was called an "excellent bit of detective work" by Federal men. It was the climax of a pursuit that extended over many states.

### 17 Killed In Uprising As Austrian Socialists Rebel Against Dollfuss

#### Custed Jap Minister



Baron Nakajima Because he condoned the action of Shogun Takuji, who dethroned Emperor Godaigo in 1337, in a magazine article he wrote a decade ago, Baron Kumakichi Nakajima was ousted from his post of Minister of Commerce of Japan, although he vowed his views had changed since he wrote the article.

### GREENVILLE PLANT CLOSED BY STRIKE

#### 400 Workers Walk Out When Overseer Is Fired by Management

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 12.—(AP)—The American Spinning Company closed down here today after 400 operatives went on strike as a protest against the discharge of an overseer.

W. J. Still, plant superintendent, said that "for the best interest of the company, we found it advisable to ask that an overseer resign. This precipitated the strike, first one department and then another quitting until the entire plant was shut down."

Still said there was no other dispute involved, but added that no attempt would be made to start the mill tonight.

"We are just biding out time," he said. A number of employees admitted they had no grounds for striking, but said they felt "all should stick together," and consequently struck.

### GOVERNOR TO PAY CHAUFFEUR'S FINE

#### Won't Use Pardon if Conviction Is Obtained in Albemarle Trial

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Governor Ehringhaus is not attending the great trial in Albemarle today in which his driver, Nilsen Aldridge, is defendant on a charge of speeding and reckless driving, brought against him on the last trip that Old Ninety-Six, the four year old Lincoln, made before going in on a trade for a new chariot.

But the governor is going to pay the fine if there is one and will elect to put up the money rather than employ the pardoning power. The governor does not believe in the complete purity of the prosecution. The mansion car was following the lead of the highway patrolmen piloting the executive through the Stanly capital.

If the chauffeur drove by a signal he

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### All Armed Forces of Nation Mobilized To Crush Movement Directed At Government

#### BLOODY BATTLE IN THE CITY OF LINZ

Police and Troops Attack Socialist Headquarters With Machine Guns; Strictest Form of Martial Law Invoked There and Vienna, The Capital

Vienna, Feb. 12.—(AP)—Socialists rose up against the government of Austria today and at least 17 persons were killed and 50 seriously wounded in the first skirmishes of the day.

All the armed forces of Austria were mobilized to crush the nationwide Socialist uprising.

In Linz the uprising blazed out with a bloody battle, with police and troops machine-gunning the Socialist party headquarters in reprisal for hand grenade throwing.

Other cities were disrupted by a general strike.

The most strict form of martial law was declared in Linz and Vienna. Many civilians, caught with weapons will be shot immediately.

The battle at Linz was precipitated when Socialists tossed hand grenades from their party headquarters when police tried to raid it.

The latest reports from Linz said the people and troops had captured the building, but that during their assault a small detachment of the outlawed Socialist republican guards staged a counter raid against the police station, looted it of weapons and barricaded themselves on top of a nearby hill with a machine gun for defense.

A police punitive expedition sent out to bring back the fighting Socialists, dead or alive, promptly besieged them there.

One police inspector was killed in a minor clash in Vienna, but otherwise no street fighting had been reported in the capital up to 1:35 p. m.

Excited crowds, however, filled the Ringstrasse and other thoroughfares as army trucks, mounted with machine guns, police buses and army ambulances.

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### Fifty Dead In Riotings In Austria

#### Political Powder House Blows Up As Socialists Rebel Against Vienna

Vienna, Feb. 12.—(AP)—The political powder house of Austria blew up today with a Socialist general strike and government reprisals, which cost upward of 50 lives as bloody fighting raged in Vienna, Linz, Graz and finally spread to the munitions centers at Steyr, Bruck and Eggenberg.

From 32 to 42 persons were reported killed in pitched battles between Socialists and authorities as Socialists proclaimed a nationwide general strike and the government retaliated with martial law.

Martial law was enforced in Vienna, Graz and Linz. The fighting in the last city accounted for 31 to 41 of the dead, while ten persons were unofficially reported to have been killed in Vienna.

A large number were reported wounded, and it was reported that 60 of these might die from their injuries.

### Face Senate Contempt Charges



Gilbert Givvin Frank Nebeker Harris Hanshue Called by the Senate to face contempt charges resulting from the Senate probe into airmail contracts, Gilbert Givvin, of the Western Air Express, Frank Nebeker, attorney, and Harris M. Hanshue, president of Western Air Express, were photographed as they entered the capitol to appear at the Senate bar.

### \$40,000,000 Crop Loan Bill Is Almost Law Again

#### House Accepts Compromise and Senate Is Expected To Do So; House Rejects Senate Amendments to Relief-CWA Measure; Spectacular Arguments Loom

Washington, Feb. 12.—(AP)—Forty millions for quick crop loans to farmers who cooperate on acreage reduction was practically written into the law today by House acceptance of a compromise to the Senate, which is expected to do likewise.

The same spirit did not prevail for senatorial amendments to the CWA-relief measure, however. The House rejecting the provision for appointment by the President and confirmation by the President of State relief directors. This sent the measure back to the Senate, where the amendment was proposed by Senator McCarran, Democrat, Nevada. It was turned down by the House on grounds that it would make political offices of the jobs.

While points in connection with the deferred McCracken contempt trial dominated senatorial interest, there were two prospective controversies that crept toward the spectacular argument stage.

For one, commodity exchange regulation, through making the grain futures not cover as commodities, and control of speculative trading, was advocated by Secretary Wallace. The other, introduction of the Costigan bill giving Wallace wide power to regulate the American sugar market, according to the Roosevelt policy just announced.

Senator Fletcher, Democrat, Florida, steersman of the stock market inquiry, had presidential assurance of a desire for that committee to be "kept active and alive." The official position was given as: "What happens to the stock market legislation should have no bearing on the committee's continuance."

Routine appropriations and liquor control for territories caused some overtime committee work at the Senate.

### BREVARD BANKERS SET TO DO TIME

#### Governor's Mind Unchanged; Raleigh Doesn't Look For Luke Lea's

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Figuring on the augmentation of the banker and prominent population of the State's prison, there is little or no doubt that the four Transylvania men, due to two years for conspiracy in the Brevard banking cases, will be here for the beginning of their sentence February 15, but more and more the story travels in Raleigh that when Colonel Luke Lea and his son, Luke Jr., got the final word they will ride to Mexico in an air bus.

Governor Ehringhaus has shown no sign of changing his mind as to the Brevard men. He thinks they have not quite kept faith with the commonwealth, but he is deeply sympathetic with the men who were losers by narrow votes on all occasions. They might have been freed without putting on evidence if the trial judge

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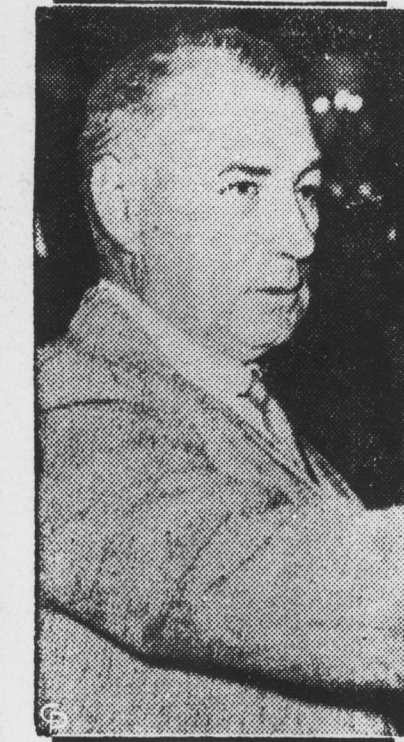
### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Cloudy, probably rain on the north coast early tonight; Tuesday fair and slightly warmer.

FOR HENDERSON. For 24-hour period ending at noon today, 36; lowest 32; rain-fall, .61 of an inch; cloudy; north-east wind; temperature at noon today, 36.

### SUBMITS TO ARREST AFTER PAYING \$100 FINE FOR CONTEMPT

#### Deplores Air Power



Brig. Gen. Mitchell

Asserting that Uncle Sam is in a helpless position to repel an air attack because the U. S. military air strength is insufficient, Brigadier General William Mitchell, former head of the army air corps, is pictured giving his views before the house military affairs committee at Washington. The officer was dismissed from the army while serving as head of the air corps for expressing similar views.

### THREE JUSTICES TO SEEK RE-ELECTION

#### No Semblance of Opposition to Stacy, Clarkson and Adams So Far

#### WETS HAVE SHIED OFF

They Were Determined to Beat Clarkson Until They Got Complete Drubbing Themselves in November Election

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Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Three Supreme Court Justices, a chief and two associates, stand for renomination this year and there is now less than a likelihood that they will have opposition.

It was different a year ago. The legislature was in session and modification of all liquor laws was on the program. The beer and light wines bill passed. The call for a convention to repeal the 18th amendment was

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### Espionage Trial Had In Finland

Abo, Finland, Feb. 12.—(AP)—Twenty-eight members of an alleged military espionage ring, including an American, Arvid Jacobson, former Michigan school teacher, went on trial today before the high court, of Finland.

They were arrested last October following an investigation which police said showed a link between espionage activities in Finland and France.

A pretty brunette, Mary Louise Martin, who possesses a Canadian passport, is the central figure of the trial.

The prosecution claimed that Jacobson was a chief lieutenant and that they worked under the direction of agents of Soviet Russia.

Jacobson's wife, who was arrested with him, was released in November after three weeks in custody. She was absolved by the authorities of any connection with the case.

### Former Assistant Secretary of Commerce on Trial Facing Bar of the Senate

#### FAILED IN EFFORT TO GET IN COURTS

Pays \$100 Fine in Lieu of 24 Hours in Jail; Removal of His Records After They Were Subpoenaed by Senate Investigators Basis for Action.

Washington, Feb. 12.—(AP)—The Senate had the delayed satisfaction today of getting under way with its trial of William P. McCracken on contempt charges, and he immediately repeated his challenge of the body's right to try and punish him.

The widely known lawyer, once assistant secretary of commerce, submitted to arrest after paying a \$100 fine on a contempt of court verdict.

By his side was his counsel, Frank J. Hogan, and before him as he stood in the Senate chamber were numerous senators intent on questioning him about what he had to do with contracts for his air mail clients.

Several days last week he had sought to evade this moment by having the case thrown into the courts.

This maneuver failed however and this afternoon he had the choice, as the result of his actions, of paying the \$100 fine or spending 24 hours in jail.

Judge Daniel W. O'Donoghue, to the delight of some senators held the Hoover assistant secretary of commerce for air in contempt—because he had claimed in a writ of habeas corpus that he was held in bodily restraint by the Senate sergeant-at-arms Chesley W. Jurney.

The Senate wants McCracken arrested and brought at once before it on the contempt charge in connection with removal of his records after these had been subpoenaed in the air mail contract investigation. But Jurney refused to arrest him when McCracken showed up at the Jurney apartment Saturday, holding off until the Senate was in session.

McCracken spent the night with the Senate official as an uninvited guest. He insisted he was under arrest. Jurney insisted he was not.

After paying the \$100 fine, McCracken was followed by Jurney and secret service men, but they deferred from arresting him on the Senate warrant until he was released from custody of the United States marshal.

### THREE REPEALERS IN RACE IN WAKE

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Two former Wake county members of the General Assembly are out for the lower House next year. J. Sherwood Alchurch, showman and picturesque up-ways, desires to come back after an absence of a term. He will not change on the repeal question. He always was against all forms of prohibition and dry Raleigh and Wake will have a chance at him.

### 400 Legion Members At Convention

Statesville, Feb. 12.—(AP)—Approximately 400 Legionnaires and their wives were here today for the final session of the post and unit officers in annual conference.

### National Commanders of Legion and Auxiliary Address State Gathering

Edward A. Hayes, national American Legion commander, arrived early today and addressed the delegates briefly, but his principal address is to be given tonight.

Mrs. William Elester, national president of the Auxiliary, also was an honor guest.