

## 40 PCT. TOBACCO TAX CUT RECOMMENDED TO HOUSE

### Bank Bandit And Two Policemen Are Killed Near Chicago

#### SECOND BANDIT IS PROBABLY FATALY SHOT BY BANKERS

Bank Prepared for Trouble Following Shooting Of Two Officers During the Night

#### PLAY BLOODY GAME OF 'GET DILLINGER'

Policemen "Machine-Gunned" to Death Late at Night With no Trail Left of Slay-ers; Dead Officers Only Ones Who Might Have Identified Them

Chicago, May 25. (AP)—One bandit was killed and another wounded, perhaps fatally, today in an attempted robbery of the South Holland, Ill., Trust Savings Bank.

Both employees fought it out with the invaders in the bank, and killed one outright.

The proximity of South Holland, a hamlet south of Chicago, near the Indiana line, to the scene of the killing of two East Chicago policemen last night, gave rise to a report that the bandits might have been the assassins of the Indiana officers.

Four men and two women were in the bandit gang.

While the two women stayed at the wheel of the car, the quartette of robbers marched in the bank precisely at 10 o'clock, the moment the time locks released the vaults.

Guards had been posted in the balcony of the bank alert for just such a raid. A machine gun was turned loose on the robbers below and two of them fell.

The other two raced for the door

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#### Three Dead, 54 Hurt In Bus Wreck

Truck and Bus Full of Negroes Crash Between Petersburg and Richmond

Richmond, Va., May 25. (AP)—The death list had grown to three today and 54 were numbered among the injured in the midnight crash on the Richmond-Petersburg highway of a truck and a chartered bus loaded with Negroes.

Geneva Johnson, a Richmond Negro, who died in a hospital here early this morning was the only victim identified.

Two other bodies were taken from the flaming bus, but neither was identified. One was taken to Richmond and the other to Petersburg.

Meanwhile, seven of the injured, one of them a white man, remained in the Petersburg hospital, and the drivers of the two machines, one of them delirious, were in Memorial hospital here.

#### More Tax-Paying Would Solve School Problems

But the People Revolt Against Property Tax, Sales Tax and What Not, and Question Is One of Finding the Money; But There Is The Real Solution

teachers, very few of these want to pay the taxes necessary to bring about the better conditions. They want someone else to pay the taxes.

Any county, city or town or special school district can increase the salaries of the school teachers this coming school year and can even have a nine-months school term provided the people in the county, city, town or district will vote the necessary supplemental taxes with which to increase salaries or pay for an extra month of school. But in the city of Burlington, where an election on a school

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#### Low Bids Strike At Air Mail Cost

Washington, May 25 (AP)—Low bids for air mail contracts by independent operators challenged the supremacy of major air lines today as Postmaster General Farley and his aides opened 61 bids for 13 air mail routes covering 8,239 miles.

American Air Lines, Inc., reputedly controlled by C. L. Cord, bid however, as low as eight cents per airplane mile for the contract on one route.

#### SOLDIERS IN FULL CONTROL IN TOLEDO STRIKE; TWO DEAD

Eleven Others Injured in Series of Skirmishes Between Troops and the Strikers

ONE MAN SHOT IN LOUISIANA STRIKE

Longshoremen at New Orleans Are Idle and Cellotex Workers Walk Out for More Pay, Shorter Hours, Closed Shop; Truce Continues at Minneapolis

(By The Associated Press) National Guard troops gained command today at the bloody battle ground around the Electric Auto-Lite Company's plant at Toledo, Ohio.

A casualty list of two dead and at least 11 injured was left by a series of dogged skirmishes between the troops and the strikers.

With rifle fire and tear gas bombs, the guardsmen finally gained the upper hand over a jeering crowd of 6,000, which battled largely with clubs, bricks and bottles.

Frank Hubay, 27, and Steve Cyigon, 20, were killed by the militia's fire. The strike at the Toledo plant began five weeks ago. Union recognition, pay increases and seniority rights are the strikers' demands.

A tough was shot and 30 persons were arrested at New Orleans as po-

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#### Pond and Sabelli Arrive in London In Balking Plane

Heston Airdrome, London, May 25. (AP)—Captain George Pond and Lieutenant Cesare Sabelli landed here at 12:30 p. m. today after a short flight from Cardiff, Wales.

After the fliers had climbed out from behind their smoking motor, Sabelli said the hop today was "almost as tough as the last part of our trans-Atlantic journey."

The Italian flier said they had "a very bad engine," and added: "We barely made it."

Captain Pond indicated he was uncertain when they would be able to get away to wind up their flight to Rome, and he taxied the plane to a nearby hangar preparatory to starting work on the engine.

#### 2 Dead In Qualifying For Races

Indianapolis, Ind., May 25. (AP)—Pete Kreis of Knoxville, Tenn., driver, and Bob Hahn, of Chino, Cal., riding mechanic, were instantly killed here today while practicing for the 500-mile automobile race to be run next Wednesday.

The car, traveling at a terrific speed, went out of control just after it came out of the first turn. It ran over the outside retaining wall and struck a tree many feet below. The car was cut in two by the impact.

The car was owned by Harry Hartz, of Los Angeles and was one of the fastest entered in the race. Kreis was tuning it up preparatory to attempting to qualify this afternoon.

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#### Seek Aid of National Guard to Quell Toledo Strike Disorders



National guard observers have been dispatched to Toledo to investigate an appeal for state troopers to patrol the Electric



Auto-Lite company, following a fierce clash between 300 striking workers and police, which resulted in injuries to 50 persons. These photos show scenes of the clash—left, a woman striker, overcome by gas, being taken to a hospital; right, police helping a motorist out of his automobile after it had been overturned by strikers. Windows of several cars were smashed.

#### SOLICITOR PLESS APPOINTED JUDGE

Marion Man Named by Governor To Succeed Judge Michael Schenck

WINBORNE REFUSES IT

State Democratic Chairman Turns Down Judgeship for Financial Reasons; Schenck Goes To Supreme Court

Raleigh, May 25 (AP)—Solicitor J. Will Pless, Jr., of the eighteenth judicial district today was appointed superior court judge for the district by Governor Ehringhaus to fill the unexpired term of Judge Michael Schenck, who Monday will become an associate justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court.

Solicitor Pless, whose home is in Marion, was tendered the appointment by the governor by long distance telephone today and immediately accepted.

The solicitor was reached at Rutherfordton. A few minutes earlier, J. Wallace Winborne, of Marion, State Democratic chairman, had declined the judgeship on account of financial reasons.

Governor Ehringhaus said there was no criminal court in the eighth tenth district next week, and that he would not appoint a successor to Mr. Pless until he had studied the situation further.

Only 35 years old, Solicitor Pless will become the youngest member of the superior court bench. He has been solicitor of the eighteenth judicial district for ten years, having been appointed in 1924 by Governor Cameron Morrison. Twice he has been elected solicitor.

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#### NO STATE MONEY TO PROVIDE ROADS

Despite Surplus, Legislature Did Not Permit Any New Construction

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Raleigh, May 25.—Ever since it has become known that the State Highway and Public Works Commission would have a surplus of about \$7,500,000 to its credit by the end of this fiscal year on June 30, a flood of requests have been received for it to build roads here and there in the State. But none of these requests can be complied with, since the 1933 General Assembly did not appropriate one cent for new construction of roads

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#### Attack On Troops At Toledo Renewed By Strike Groups

Toledo, Ohio, May 25 (AP)—Seven gas bombs were fired at a crowd of 400 persons gathered at Champlain and Elm streets late today as Ohio National Guardsmen sought to break up another recalcitrant throng.

The crowd was pushed back by the successive clouds of gas.

A few members of the group had pelted the Guardsmen with stones and bricks.

1,500 STRIKERS OPEN UP ATTACK AT BIG PLANT

Toledo, Ohio, May 25 (AP)—A crowd of 1,500 strikers and sympathizers, bringing more bricks and asserted missiles, gathered at the plant of the

Electric Auto-Lite Company here at noon today and reopened the bombardment of the building and troops, which already has cost the lives of two men.

The crowd gathered at street intersections still strewn with the wreckage and debris of three days of rioting.

Guardsmen, laying a field telephone communications system, made no attempt to break up the crowd, as paving, brick and chunks of concrete came hurling up toward the factory building. The attack was aimless and less spirited than the fighting yesterday, which led to hand-to-hand fighting.

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#### JAPAN IS WILLING TO DISCUSS ARMS

Agrees To Separate Discussions With Britain and United States

PRIOR TO 1935 MEETS

Hope To Come To Some Terms For Naval Disarmament in Advance of Naval Conference To Be Held Next Year

Tokyo, May 25. (AP)—The Japanese government was understood today to have accepted a British invitation to carry on diplomatic talks with the United States and Great Britain separately, preliminary to the 1935 naval conference.

High foreign office authorities said Ambassador Matsudaira, who represents Japan in London, was invited by Sir John Simond, British foreign secretary, to ask his government whether it would enter into frank preliminary talks on the subject of disarmament.

Four Columbia Men Held In Greenville On Kidnap Charge

Greenville, S. C., May 25. (AP)—Robert Harvie, J. L. Coutrenay, Francis Eargle and L. H. Buford, all of Columbia, charged with kidnaping in connection with the alleged abduction of Johnny Macy Gregory, 24, of Greenville, last Monday were bound over to general sessions court after a preliminary hearing today. The bond of each was fixed at \$5,000.

CONTINENTAL LIFE IN STATE'S HANDS

St. Louis Mo., May 25. (AP)—The Continental Life Insurance Company, with nearly \$100,000,000 insurance in force, was placed in the hands of the State Insurance Department today by a circuit judge, who decided the bitterly contested dissolution suit filed last January by Insurance Superintendent R. E. O'Malley.

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#### COMMITTEE GIVES ITS ENDORSEMENT TO SLASH IN LEVY

Departure In Recovery Economics Designed for Once To Lower Consumer Prices

LIQUOR TO FOLLOW IF THIS SUCCEEDS

Pressure Already Brought to Reduce Liquor Levy To Strike Bootlegger; Increased Consumption May Save Government From Loss In Its Revenues

Washington, May 25 (AP)—A departure in recovery economics—designed for once to lower consumer prices—was proposed to the House today when its ways and means committee reported a bill to reduce tobacco taxes 40 per cent.

The tobacco companies have agreed to pass up the reduction on to the consumer, so that a 15-cent package of cigarettes will sell instead for ten cents.

The accompaniment of a great advertising campaign, an effort will be made, if the bill passes, to increase consumption to the point where the Federal treasury may not, after all, lose very much by the tax reduction.

Should the plan work, lower liquor taxes may follow and the whole trend of administration efforts to rectify prices for recovery may be affected.

Already urgent proposals have been brought forward in Congress to clip down the liquor levies, in the hope that bootlegging may be driven out and the legal liquor trade put on a basis where lower prices will mean increased Treasury returns.

One of the basic economic policies of the administration has been to restore prices to a normal level. In various ways, emphasis has been placed on a restoration to the levies of 1926.

In approving the tobacco tax reduction bill yesterday, ways and means committee members did not go into that feature of the situation. They treated it strictly as an excise tax measure, taking the position that present levies were unfair.

Chances For Tobacco Tax Cut Bright

Events In Washington Lead To Greater Encouragement In This State

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Raleigh, May 25.—Hope here for the passage of the bill reducing the Federal tax on manufactured tobacco products 40 per cent is brighter today than it has been for many weeks as a result of the statement made in Washington yesterday by Chairman R. L. Doughton, of the House Ways and Means Committee, that the chances for the enactment were much brighter. He made this statement following a personal conference with President Roosevelt in which they discussed the pending bill.

Although virtually all of those who

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#### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Generally fair tonight and Saturday, except probably showers on the coast tonight; cooler in east and central portions tonight; slightly warmer Saturday.

#### FRANCE IN DEFIANCE OF ARMAMENT SLASH

Paris, May 25.—(AP)—Louis Barthou, French foreign minister, today flatly proclaimed a French policy of "no immediate disarmament of France no immediate re-armament of Germany."

The foreign minister sought to silence war talk in the Chamber of Deputies, where he was under interpellation, by making an emphatic rejection of the idea that a conflict was coming.

However, he pledged a strong stand on the matter of German border clashes.

A whole galaxy of French military chiefs, including War Minister Petain, Air Minister Denain and Naval Minister Pretri, is expected to accompany M. Barthou to Geneva next week to back up the French demand for a showdown on the question of armaments.

Barthou openly declared his opposition to the British proposal of "partial re-armament for Germany and the disarmament of France."