

STEEL UNION INSURGENTS PREPARE TO FIGHT

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BANK OFFICIAL AND CITIZEN ARE SHOT

Policeman on Guard at Bank Blazes Away at Bandits, Who Had Concealed Themselves on Top of Bank Vault During Night; Jump Down and Start Firing

Magnolia, June 9 (AP)—Two bandits shot up the Bank of Magnolia at opening time today, leaving two men wounded as they blazed their way to waiting cars with an undetermined amount of loot.

The bandits met a hail of lead from hastily assembled residents as they sought to join waiting confederates and two of them were believed wounded. They fled, however, toward Wilmington, using a dove-colored sedan bearing Virginia license 90786, and a black red-trimmed (Plymouth) coupe stolen at the time of the robbery from John Croom, Magnolia business man.

The wounded men were J. N. Horne, assistant cashier of the bank, who received a scalp wound, and T. M. Rogers, local business man, who received a serious leg wound.

Lea Denies Crookedness With Bonds

Famous Prisoner At Raleigh Issues Long Statement on Tennessee Scandals

Raleigh, June 9. (AP)—Luke Lea, former United States senator, now serving a prison sentence here for bank law violation, today asserted in a 1,200-word statement that what he purported to be forged bonds of Henderson county, Tennessee, put up as security for a loan he secured in Nashville, have not been in his possession at all since they were attested to be valid bonds by Attorney Charles W. Hugley, of Jackson, Tenn.

Lea's statement set forth that the bonds he saw which were described and attested to as genuine and valid by county officials of Henderson county were on yellow paper, and points out that now it is said the genuine bonds were on green paper.

Serious Blast In Ford Motor Plant

Norfolk, Va., June 9 (AP)—Two men were burned, one probably fatally, and another was hurt in an explosion of undetermined origin at the Ford Motor Company plant here shortly before noon today.

DOWELL CLAIMING MAJORITY AGAINST STATE SALES TAX

Merchants' Secretary Says He Has Margin in Senate and House of 1935 Assembly

ADMINISTRATION IS NOT OF THAT MIND

Points to Wide Sales Tax Majority in Seats Already Assured in Senate; Second Primaries Necessary in Number of Counties To Pick Nominees

Administration leaders here, however, smiled broadly at Dowell's claims and maintained that in the 1935 Senate, among those already nominated and sure of election, 28 are for the retention of the sales tax, five believed to be favorable to it and only 11 definitely opposed to it, and in favor of its repeal.

"I want to wait until the official returns are in and until we know positively who have been nominated before I give out any figures," Dowell said.

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Damage Will Be Terrific In Salvador

Number Killed In Hurricane Will Be Large; Rain 25 Inches in 24 Hours

San Salvador, El Salvador, June 9. (AP)—(By Pan American Airways Wireless)—Stragglers sloshed through the jungle on foot and by mule-back to the capitol to report terrific damage in six provinces from Thursday's rainstorms—a rain which is still continuing, although the wind has fallen away.

Finals at Carolina Get Under Way



Here is a view of the setting and some of the principal figures in the University of North Carolina's 139th commencement, which opens Sunday, June 10, and continues through graduation exercises Tuesday evening.

Stage Set For Starting U. N. C. Commencement

Noted Alabama Divine To Preach Sermon; Relief Administrator Harry Hopkins To Deliver Address Tuesday; Daniels and Graham Are Also To Speak

Chapel Hill, June 9.—The stage was set today for the opening events Sunday of the University of North Carolina's 139th commencement program which is expected to bring back to the Hill an unusually large number of alumni and other friends of the University.

The exercises will get under way tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock when Dr. Henry M. Edmonds, pastor of the Independent Presbyterian church of Birmingham, Ala., will preach the baccalaureate sermon in Memorial Hall.

The next event will be a lawn concert by the University band under the Davie Poplar at 4 o'clock, to be followed by a concert of the North Carolina Symphony in Memorial Hall at 5 o'clock and a concert on the Morehead-Patterson Memorial Chimes at 5 o'clock.

Reunion suppers for classes will be held at the Carolina Inn at 7 o'clock. The final event of Sunday's program will be a presentation of Shubert's "Mass, E Flat" in the Hill Hall of Music at 8:30 Sunday evening.

Monday will be alumni day when hundreds of old grads will return to the campus. Features of the day's program will include class reunions in Memorial Hall from 10:30 until 1:30 p.m. and President Frank P. Graham will speak; President Graham's reception to seniors and their parents from 5:30 to 6:30; the Carolina Playmakers at 8 o'clock and the alumni reception and ball at 9:30 o'clock.

Tuesday will be commencement day proper, when class day and graduation exercises will be held. The day's events will culminate in twilight graduation exercises in Kenan Stadium at 7 o'clock when Harry L. Hopkins, Federal relief administrator, will deliver the baccalaureate address and Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus will present diplomas to some 400 graduates.

figure in arranging the program for University commencement commencement; Virgil Weathers, president of the graduating class and president-elect of the student body; Dr. Wm. M. Day, who is serving as faculty marshal for this year; James G. Hanes, of Winston-Salem, who is chief alumni marshal; Judge Francis D. Winston, who will preside over the alumni class reunion program in Gerard Hall at 10:30 o'clock Monday morning; and Dr. Hubert B. Haywood, president of the General Alumni Association, who will preside over the alumni luncheon Monday.

ASK MORE PAY TO STATE'S EMPLOYEES

Girl Fainting from Hunger While on Job Arouses State Officials

Raleigh, June 9.—When girl employees of the State getting only \$30 a month start fainting from hunger while at work, it's time to do something about it, according to State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson.

The question of low salaries paid by the State has come sharply to the fore here this week as the result of the fainting of one of the young women in the stenographic division of the department of revenue a few days ago and the statement by the doctor who was called that she was suffering from lack of proper nourishment—in other words, starving.

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Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell said today that "readjustments" in the salaries of these low paid employees are being contemplated soon. It is understood that this particular employee was one who was given a job under the old Civil Works Administration at \$30 a month and that she asked to be kept on at that figure rather than lose her job entirely and not have any work.

It is understood that the State of North Carolina not to pay its employees a living wage and to have girls fainting while at work from lack of food," Mr. Johnson said. "If a school teacher had fainted from hunger while teaching in a class room, it would have been played up by every newspaper in the State. But there are some 23,000 school teachers and only 350 State employees."

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Workmen's Group Bitterly Rejects Johnson Proposal

Bolivia May Hit Back at the U. S.

La Paz (Bolivia, June 19 (AP)—Bolivian newspapers today proposed an embargo on United States goods in retaliation against the United States embargo on further shipments of war materials to Bolivia and Paraguay, at war in the Chaco Boreal.

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BOARD IS ACCEPTED BY STEEL MASTERS

Agreement Reached Between Them and NRA Administrator, But Union Leaders, Using Profanity, Blaze Away at Johnson In Their Determined Refusal

Washington, June 9. (AP)—Amid a roar of bitterness, steel union insurgents resolved today against a peace plan approved by Hugh S. Johnson and the employers. They swore to see President Roosevelt today, present him a plan of their own and then hurry home "prepared to fight".

The threat of a steel strike, which many officials fear would hog-tie the recovery drive, seemed still ominous. About the plan for a peace board to settle capital-labor fights—a plan which Johnson said he "practically prescribed" and which the steel masters accepted last night—the international president of the steel union, Michael F. Tighe, remained firmly silent.

Johnson and the insurgents whaled away at each other—using such phrases as "hell" and "bluff" and "damnable".

We are done with you and your iron steel institute board", a score of the leaders said in a statement. Recently a group of leaders of local unions—declared by President Tighe to be without authority to speak for the international—suggested Johnson could learn something by walking up to an open hearth furnace and getting his summer pants scorched.

Johnson, in a radio speech last night, answered what he called "these amateur leaders".

FORMER PATROLMAN ACCUSED OF THEFT

Raleigh, June 9.—J. F. Shaw, formerly a corporal in the State Highway Patrol, but who resigned by request several weeks ago when charged with the embezzlement of \$756.83 of State money by Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell and Director L. S. Harris of the motor vehicle bureau, is now out under \$1,000 bond. He will come up for preliminary hearing on Wednesday, June 13 in crty court in Gastonia, where he had been in charge of the highway patrol in that district.

Reports here today were that while the amount charged against him in the first complaint was \$756.83 that this amount had not increased to more than \$800. Shaw's home is in Sampson county.

ROOSEVELT SEEKS 525 MILLIONS FOR DROUGHT AREA AID

President Sends Request To Congress Before Sailing Down Potomac for Week-End

HE WANTS RIGHT TO SPEND AS HE LIKES

Latest Report of Darrow Review Board on NRA Goes to White House and Will Be Published Later; Still Seeking Way To Avoid Big Steel Strike

Washington, June 9. (AP)—The government strove today to ease a costly disaster of nature, the drought, and to obviate a potentially costly man-made disorder—a steel strike.

Before cruising down the Potomac to rest from hard week, President Roosevelt requested a Congressional appropriation of \$525,000,000 "to protect people in the stricken region from suffering, to move feed to livestock and livestock to feed, and acquire and process surplus cattle to provide meat for relief distribution.

He wanted the spending of the money which is certain to be made available left to administration discretion.

High S. Johnson and steel union leaders, meanwhile, sat down in an endeavor for agreement that will prevent a strike late next week.

The name calling spirit which both sides evidenced last night was absent, but there were no definite assurances of progress.

The administration program made some headway at the Capitol. The Senate approved the compromise on the bill for Federal supervision of radio, cable, telephone and telegraph services.

Japs Talk Failure For Navy Meet

See No Progress At All In Forthcoming London Naval Conference

London, June 9. (AP)—Informed Japanese quarters in London predicted today the failure of preliminary naval conversations to be opened here shortly by world powers.

The same source expressed fear, also, that the 1935 naval conference would be a failure. "Nothing much can be accomplished at the preliminary discussions," the authority said, "and the world can be sure the conference of 1935 will be doomed unless the powers are willing to consider Japan's defensive needs."

Harmony Is In Evidence At Geneva

Delegates Look To Mussolini - Hitler Meeting To Find Way to Accord

Geneva, June 9 (AP)—Harmony succeeded dissension in Geneva today as cheered supporters of disarmament looked to the expected meeting between Europe's most powerful dictators, Mussolini of Italy and Hitler of Germany.

After a general exchange of compliments, several leading figures in the arms conference left. Work on actual disarmament is not anticipated until Germany accepts or rejects the latch string held out for her re-entry into the conference.

Italian delegates made known that Mussolini would confer personally with Hitler. Official confirmation was lacking from Rome.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA Shows Sunday and in west and central portions tonight; Some what warmer in west and central portions tonight and Sunday.