

## HAUPTMANN CLAIMS ALIBI IN LINDBERGH KIDNAPING

### Nothing Heard Of Mrs. Stoll 5 Days After Money Paid

But Belief Is Held That Family Has at Least Contracted Abductor of Woman

NO APPEALS MADE DURING WEEK-END

With Law Forces of State, Nation, County, City Joined in Hunt, Primary Consideration Is Still for Society Matron's Personal Safety

Louisville Ky., Oct. 15. (AP)—The fifth day, the most portentous for Alice Speed Stoll since she was kidnaped, brought the belief today that the family had established contact with the abductor.

Those in a position to know thought the fifth day played an important part in the \$50,000 ransom note.

Fears have been expressed that the kidnaper intended to kill the young society matron if at that time he had not received the ransom and make his way to safety.

With the case at this critical stage, it was pointed out significantly that Sunday was the first day since the kidnaping last Sunday without an appeal to the kidnaper.

With all the law forces of the nation, state, county and city massed in a hunt for the wealthy young victim the primary consideration was still for her safety, coming before making an arrest or even establishing a case.

Most promising of the clues run down by the officers today seemed to be that suggested by the reported sighting of an woman who looked like Mrs. Stoll in Warren county half way between Louisville and Nashville. It was in this direction that Stoll drove furiously last Friday.

This section of Kentucky is honey-combed with caves. Beneath every hill and opening in every valley they lie in hundreds. The region is wild and sparsely settled.

### Labor Is To Fight Williams

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 15. (AP)—Investigation of the labor attitude of Clay Williams, NRA board member, will be requested by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, on his return to Washington, he announced today.

Green, who plans to leave tomorrow for the east, said the federation's executive council had requested him to present the request to President Roosevelt.

An investigation of Williams' attitude while head of a tobacco company was demanded in a resolution adopted by the American Federation of Labor convention here last week. It accused him of opposition to trade unions and to collective bargaining with them.

### Bitter Fight For Slice Of Highway Fund Looms

Half Dozen Different Agencies Preparing To Grab After Surplus If Funds Are Diverted; Anti-Diversionsists Are Organizing To Resist Attacks

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, by J. C. Baskerville.

Raleigh, Oct. 15.—The various groups that want a slice of the highway fund to use for other than highway purposes are working as hard as ever, though as quietly as possible, with the result that the fight over diversion of the highway revenues is expected to be one of the most bitter that will take place in the approaching legislature, according to observers here. For while the forces opposed

John D. in Florida



Here is John D. Rockefeller, 95-year-old former financial king, standing near his limousine at the Rockefeller winter home at Ormond Beach, Fla. When this picture was taken, John D., after a long trip from his summer home in New Jersey, was replying to the questions of reporters.

### Inflation In Reality Is Likely

Warning of Evil Effects Has Little Effect in Checking the Clamor

By LESLIE EICHEL (Central Press Staff Writer)

New York, Oct. 15.—Inflation suddenly has become the foremost economic topic of the United States once more.

No less a person than President Roosevelt has brought the topic to the front again by intimating that all higher prices are the aim of the administration.

The President undoubtedly is seeing the handwriting on the wall of a belligerent, inflationist Congress.

Kemmerer's Warning Backing the conservatives, Dr. E.

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to diversion are already organized or in process of organization and preparing to put up a real battle against using any highway revenue for other than highway purposes, the very fact that the anti-diversionists are organizing is regarded as an indication that they know they are going to have a real battle on their hands. Some of the forces that are in favor of diverting part of the highway revenue into the general fund to be used for general State purposes, are

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### SUSPECT SAYS HE WAS AT HIS HOME THE FATAL NIGHT

Remembers It By Going to Lunch Room for His Wife That Night, He Declares

HE IS EXAMINED IN EXTRADITION CASE

Can't Remember, However, Whether or Not He Was Working for Majestic Hotel March 1, 1932, Night of Abduction; Direct Examination Is Concluded

New York, Oct. 15 (AP)—Bruno Richard Hauptmann testified before Supreme Court Justice Ernest E. L. Hammer in supreme court, Bronx, today that he was at his East 222 Street home in the Bronx the night of March 1, 1932, the night the Lindbergh baby was kidnaped.

Hauptmann was called to the stand in his own defense in his effort to forestall extradition to New Jersey to face a murder charge in the Lindbergh kidnap case.

Asked by his counsel whether he recalled the first day of March, 1932, Hauptmann testified without hesitation that he remembered taking his wife, Anna, who preceded him on the stand, home from a Bronx lunch room where she worked that night.

He remembered clearly, also, he said, taking her to work that morning. The prisoner said he called at the bakery between 6 and 7 p. m. the night of the kidnaping and had supper there and went home with his wife, remaining at home that night.

James M. Fawcett, defense counsel, completed his direct examination of the witness shortly before one o'clock and a recess was taken until 2 p. m.

The recess was taken at the request of David T. Willentz, attorney general for New Jersey, so that the cross-examination would not be interrupted.

Although Hauptmann testified hesitatingly that he remembered taking his wife home the night of March 1, 1932, his memory failed when he was asked whether he worked for the Majestic hotel on March 1, 1932. "His counsel pressed the point, and a lengthy Hauptmann replied: "As far as I can remember, I worked every day."

"But you don't remember exactly what days that check was in payment for, do you?" Fawcett asked.

The check in question was one of two introduced in evidence and was dated March 31, 1932, drawn for \$6.72 on the Reliance Property Management Corporation, evidently the owners of the Majestic hotel.

The second check was dated April 15, 1932, and was for \$6.67. The prisoner's alibi was given in a "quiet, almost offhand manner shortly before the recess."

### MAIL SERVICE IS GREATLY REDUCED

Slouching of Postal System One of Most Noticeable Things in U. S.

By CHARLES P. STEWART (Central Press Staff Writer)

Washington, Oct. 15.—The deterioration of the average citizen's mail service in the last five or six years has been one of the most noticeable things in the life of this country.

In the matter of extra-rapid transmission, by plane, of mail for which particularly high rates are paid, there has been an improvement.

The air service, however, is too expensive for the generality of folk.

It is in ordinary first class mail that the rank and file of American men, women and children are chiefly interested. Anyone who gets an appreciable amount of it cannot but be aware how decidedly the postoffice department's handling of it has deteriorated, despite the government's 33-1-3 per cent increase in its charge for carrying it.

Disorganization Begins As recently as Postmaster General Harry S. New's day, under the Coolidge administration, no community of much consequence was without two efficient daily deliveries, even in its residential districts, and more than that in its business area. Collections were frequently and regularly made, as per duly advertised schedule.

Postmaster General Walter F.

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### Hauptmann Fights



Bruno Richard Hauptmann in Bronx County court, New York, when his attorney, James Fawcett, filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus, challenging the right of New York to order the kidnap suspect's extradition to New Jersey. (Central Press)

### GOVERNMENT WINS CONTENTION OVER AIR MAIL COURSE

Supreme Court Upholds Cancellations Last February on Transcontinental Appeal

COURT REFUSES TO ASSIST AL CAPONE

Sustains Injunction Against New York Milk Control Act; Refuses To Pass Upon Validity of Telephone Taxes Levied by State of Montana.

Washington, Oct. 15 (AP)—The government succeeded today in the Supreme Court in turning back an attack on the constitutionality of the cancellation of air mail contracts last February.

The court refused to review a case brought by Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc. Lower courts had held it should be dismissed because the government could not be sued without its consent. The decision stands.

In addition, the court refused to aid Alphonse Capone, convicted Chicago gangster, recently removed to the Alcatraz Federal penitentiary, in his

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### Extensions Of 5 Years For R. F. C.

Jesse Jones Says Farm Notes Can Be Stretched Where Possible

Washington, Oct. 15 (AP)—A five-year-extension, where possible and desired, was decreed by the Reconstruction Corporation today for all outstanding loans. Jesse H. Jones, chairman of the corporation, released at his press conference a note which has been sent to management of the R. F. C. farm agencies.

"I wish to emphasize," it was said, "that it is the desire of the directors of this corporation that leniency be granted to all borrowers, and where our security will not suffer by giving

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### Raymond Poincare, Veteran Statesman Of France, Dies At His Residence In Paris

### 13 Meet Violent Deaths During The Week-End In Carolinas, Auto Leading

Motor Cars Account for Nine Fatalities in Tabulation By The Associated Press

TWO HIGH POINT MEN KILLED IN CRASH

Car Hits Tree, and Two Men of Morganton and Valdese Lose Lives on Highway; Middle-Aged Man Dies In Mysterious Manner at Mount Gilead

(By the Associated Press)

A survey of the Associated Press showed today that 13 persons were killed by violence in the two Carolinas over the week-end. Automobile wrecks accounted for nine of the fatalities.

L. L. Lowdermilk, 40, and Leonard Oliver, 24, both of High Point, were killed when the car in which they were riding left the highway and struck a tree between High Point and Greensboro. J. R. Griffin, another occupant of the car, was seriously injured.

Charles Belk, 40, was struck down by a hit-and-run motorist near his home on Monroe, and J. T. Weed, 35, of Hamlet, was killed when his car overturned between Hamlet and Rockingham. The other three highway fatalities occurred in South Carolina.

William T. Davis, farmer, was slugged to death near Greensboro by highwaymen. His father was seriously hurt. The robbers took \$400 from the two.

Mystery surrounded the death of George Scarborough, 45, whose body was found about 250 yards from his home near Mount Gilead. He had been burned to death.

At Winston-Salem, Jesse Tucker, a Negro, was slain by Motor Patrolman W. T. Bond, who said the Negro had turned a gun on him.

John Davis, 50-year-old tenant farmer near Fayetteville, died from knife wounds inflicted by John L. Burns, a Negro. Officers said Burns admitted stabbing the farmer when the latter attempted to steal his whiskey.

### JUROR REPORTS HE WAS "APPROACHED"

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 15. (AP)—A Federal court juror told the court today that he had been approached by an unidentified man concerning Dr. Leo Brandenburg, of Union county, charged with receiving \$10,000 stole from the mails at Charlotte, N. C.

### "Sunshine" Jones, Noted Desperado, Is Dead at Prison

Raleigh, Oct. 15 (AP)—Jake (Sunshine) Jones, regarded as one of the most dangerous young Negro criminals in North Carolina, died peacefully this morning at State Prison from a sudden attack of acute indigestion.

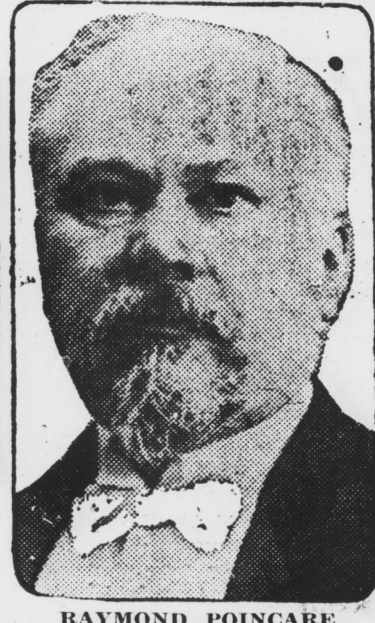
Dr. G. S. Coleman, prison physician said Jones had been suffering from malaria for several days, but had not been sick enough to be placed in the hospital. He ate some pie late yesterday after having been on a liquid diet for some days and was seized with indigestion early today.

Jake was sentenced to die in the electric chair a little more than a year ago for the murder of J. H. Poole, a filling station operator near here. Governor Ehringhaus commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.

### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair tonight and Tuesday; slowing rising temperature.

### Frenchman Dies



RAYMOND POINCARÉ

### CAPTURE SUSPECT OF ASSASSIN GANG

Mysterious "Doctor" Also Reported Seen In Geneva By The Police

Fontainebleau, France, Oct. 15 (AP)—Sylvester Malny, alias Zilni, named by alleged accomplices as a member of the Marseilles assassination gang, was reported captured today at Nelin.

He escaped from Montainebleau police the day of the assassination.

MYSTERIOUS "DOCTOR" IS REPORTED AS IN GENEVA

Geneva, Oct. 15 (AP)—The mysterious "doctor," supposedly the chief of the squad responsible for the assassination at Marseilles, was reported to have been seen in Geneva today, causing a sensation.

Police stated that the doctor had been spotted here and immediately spread a dragnet through the city and its suburbs.

### Robt. M. Hutchins To Head National Labor Board Soon

Washington, Oct. 15. (AP)—Appointment of Robert M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, to the chairmanship of the National Labor Relations Board, appeared imminent today after he had talked with President Roosevelt.

Hutchins declined to comment after his talk with the President, but it became known that an announcement probably would be made today by the White House.

### Laborer Admits Killing Little Girl In New York

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Oct. 15. (AP)—Police said today that Lawrence Stone, husky young laborer, had confessed throwing five-year-old Nancy Jean Costigan into a huge apartment house furnace.

A tiny gold ring, a child's wrist watch and a few blackened bones were removed from the furnace yesterday after the six-foot off-fed flames had been turned off.

They were all that remained. Trail of blood through a basement maie was interpreted by police as mute testimony of a brutal assault, but Stone's confession as announced

### WAS THE LAST OF GREAT WORLD WAR GROUP IN FRANCE

Shock of Marseilles Tragedy of Last Week Believed To Have Hastened His Death

IN RETIREMENT IN LAST FIVE YEARS

Had Held No Political Office Since Resigning as Premier in 1929; Will Be Buried at His Old Home; "Just Worn Out," His Physicians Declare

Paris, Oct. 15. (AP)—Raymond Poincare, one of the last of France's great World War figures, died quietly early this morning.

The war-time leader, and "savior of the franc" ten years later, was 70 years old.

The shock of the Marseilles assassination may have hastened the end. M. Poincare grieved over the disastrous event, for he knew King Alexander well and Louis Barthou was his lifelong friend.

Death came at his home here after a short illness, which doctors thought was not serious. The elderly statesman was expected to leave shortly on his annual trip to the Riviera.

Although virtually in political retirement since he resigned as premier in 1929, Poincare had just been re-elected to a department council seat, after a spectacular physical comeback. Doctors two years ago gave him up for lost.

"He was just worn out," they said today. All last night his wife and friends watched with him. He was conscious, but an extension of paralysis stifled his voice. He died in a silent room as a cold and windy rainstorm rattled

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### Yugoslavs Weep For Alexander

Zagreb, Yugoslavia, Oct. 15. (AP)—Yugoslav subjects wept today before the coffin of the king many of them had opposed in life.

A royal train bearing the coffin made its way through long lines of weeping peasants yesterday from Split, where it had been brought from Marseilles by the destroyer Dubrovnik.

Because of the thousands of request for an opportunity to pay last respects to Alexander, it was decided to have the train halted at various towns between Zagreb and Belgrade, delaying its arrival in the capital until tonight. Belgrade is already thronged with foreign princes and notables who will attend the funeral.

The king's body will lie in state for two days before the funeral.

by Chief Inspector Michael R. Silverstein said the girl was hurt in a fall. Stone discharged handy man at the apartment house was quoted as confessing he had been playing with the child in the basement and had hit her with her rubber ball. She fell he said striking her head on the concrete floor.

Stone started to carry Nancy Jean upstairs but became panic-stricken. He threw her into the flames.

Blood smeared on his clothes led to the arrest of Stone who is 24. He insisted during hours of questioning that he knew nothing of the slaying.