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## STATE Q. P. PLEDGES AID FOR LONDON

4 'Instructed' Delegates Expected to Swing Others Into Line.

CAUCUS IS SCHEDULED

Raymond Springer Again Is Named Standard Bearer by Convention.

BY ARCH STEINEL  
With a state ticket headed by Raymond S. Springer, Commersville, for Governor, Indiana Republicans were poised today for an early leap aboard the bandwagon of Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, when the national convention meets Tuesday in Cleveland.

The four delegates—at large, George A. Ball, Muncie; James E. Watson, former United States Senator; Don B. Irwin, former state chairman, and Ralph Gates, Columbia City, were instructed at yesterday's convention to cast their ballots for the Kansan.

The "Big Four" are expected to sway other members of the delegation who might lean toward other candidates. Definitely pledging delegates it named, the convention went as far as it could in "requesting" delegates elected in the congressional district to vote for Mr. Landon.

Only Three Contests

While the 173 state delegates returned to their homes today party leaders said it was certain that at least 12 of the 24 district delegates are Landon men. These coupled with the "Big Four" are expected to caucus and pledge support to the Kansan on the first ballot and as long as his name is before the convention.

The delegates from the Second, Eighth and Seventh Districts definitely are pledged to Mr. Landon, while the First and Sixth district delegates, although not pledged, are reported to be Landon adherents.

The state ticket named yesterday by the state convention developed only three contests for the 10 places on the ticket.

Joseph B. Kyle, Gary, former Lake County sheriff, and the 1932 nominee for the post, easily defeated J. Raymond Schult, North Manchester, by a vote of 1153 to 970 for Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Schult, it was said, was supported by the Ralph Gates faction. Norman S. Lasher, Seymour school superintendent, defeated Oscar M. Pettenger, Albany, for superintendent of public instruction. The vote was 1400 to 323.

Williams for Supreme Court  
The third contest resulted in nomination of Travis B. Williams, Evansville, former Probate and Juvenile judge of Vanderburgh County, for judge of the Supreme Court of the First District. Mr. Williams received a vote of 895. His opponents received the following vote: Thomas B. Coulter, Vincennes, 659; Judge Union W. Youngblood, Booneville, 138.

Other nominees on the state ticket were selected by acclamation, as follows:  
Secretary of State, James A. Slane, Lafayette, former president of the Indiana County Commissioners' Association.

Auditor of State, Everett E. Neal, Noblesville, former internal revenue collector, publisher, and also former president of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association.

Treasurer of State, David A. Scott, Linton, former chairman of the Second District, in the mercantile and mining business.

Reporter of Supreme and Appellate Courts, John A. Sabo, Gary, attorney and partner of the Lake County Republican Commission.

Judge of the Supreme Court, Fourth District, Oren W. Dickey, (Turn to Page Three)

SILVER SHARES FIRM IN IRREGULAR MARKET  
Golds Fall to Previous Close; Utilities Fractionally Lower.

NEW YORK, June 4.—Silver shares were firm in an irregular and dull stock market early this afternoon.

Cerro de Pasco gained 1 1/2 to 56 and smaller advances were noted in U. S. Smelting and Howe Sound. Golds had been firm but fell to the previous close around the end of the third hour.

Case gained 3/4 to 161 in the farm shares where prices otherwise were irregular. Utilities were fractionally lower.

COUNCIL BILL RETURNED UNSIGNED BY MAYOR  
Claims Measure Transferring Merit Plan Funds Contains Error.

Mayor Kern today returned unsigned to the city clerk the ordinance passed by the Common Council at its last session providing for a transfer of \$450 to the Safety Board for payment of merit commissions to conduct a police school.

Mayor Kern explained there was a technical error in the ordinance, but he appended a suggestion that the council pass a previous measure that provided for a transfer of \$1800 for four schools.

U. S. Checks German Imports  
WASHINGTON, June 4.—The American government today invoked the anti-dumping clause of the 1930 tariff against a number of articles imported from Germany.

## Tragedy Marks Graduation



Stricken in Cadle Tabernacle as he watched his daughter, Miss Karen Rice Osborn (left) receive her diploma from Shortridge High School, Eugene Milton Osborn (right) died early today in Methodist Hospital.

## Shortridge Pupil's Father Is Stricken at Exercises

Eugene Milton Osborn Suffers Cerebral Hemorrhage as Daughter Gets Diploma at Cadle Tabernacle.

Today there is sadness in the home of the Eugene Milton Osborns, an Indianapolis family that last night set out in high spirits to celebrate a highlight in the life of one of its members.

A cerebral hemorrhage struck Mr. Osborn as he listened to the exercises at Cadle Tabernacle that meant his daughter, Miss Karen Rice Osborn, was graduating from Shortridge High School.

He was standing in the rear of the auditorium, away from other members of the family, Mrs. Osborn and daughters, Jean, 20, and Priscilla, 15. They had preceded him into the building and had taken seats.

The school orchestra of which the Osborns graduate was a member, was playing. A siren blast struck a discord. But no member of the Osborn family knew what had happened.

Told After Ceremony  
Only after the ceremony did Mrs. Osborn and her family learn that Mr. Osborn had been stricken and taken to City Hospital. They had him transferred to Methodist Hospital where he died today.

Born in Plainfield, Mr. Osborn, who was 56, had lived here most of his life. He had been employed for 23 years as an American Railway Express Co. clerk. The Osborns live at 334 Berkeley-st.

Funeral services are to be held at 1:30 Saturday in Shirley Brothers Chapel. Burial is to be in Floral Park.

First Lady to Talk at Murat Temple  
Mrs. Roosevelt to Speak Here June 16.

Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt is to speak at the Murat Temple under the auspices of the Indianapolis Town Hall the evening of the Indiana Democratic convention here, June 16.

Mrs. Roosevelt will go with the President to Vincennes June 14, where the President is to dedicate a memorial to George Rogers Clark.

They are to come to Indianapolis June 16 as the house guests of Gov. McNutt and Mrs. McNutt.

TAX EVASION CHARGED  
18 Men Indicted in Probe of Liquor Syndicate in East.

BOSTON, June 4.—Indictment of 18 men, comprising a syndicate, which Federal authorities charged had deprived the government of \$1,000,000 in liquor taxes during the last 20 months, was revealed today.

Sidney New England, supervisor of the alcoholic tax unit, described it as the biggest round-up of its kind since repeal.

Black Legion Revelations Spur Probe of Terrorism

DETROIT, June 4.—The Wayne County (Detroit) grand jury investigation into the activities of the Black Legion, backed by the full power of the state of Michigan, opened today before Circuit Judge James E. Chenot.

Reports spread that at least one of the 15 Black Legionists charged with the murder of Charles A. Foose, who was executed by the hooded band because neighbors gossip said he beat his pregnant wife, would plead guilty and be sentenced to life imprisonment.

After opening the one-man grand jury proceedings here, Atty. Gen. David H. Crowley planned to institute similar proceedings in Oakland County, the seat of which is Pontiac, where the Black Legion was particularly active.

Wayne County Prosecutor Duncan C. McCrex expected testimony elicited yesterday from Dayton Dean, the Black Legionnaire who escaped Foose at the side of a country road, to force damaging admissions and perhaps pleas of guilty from several of the accused men.

A link between the terrorist band and the Dawn Patrol, labor spy agency, likewise was alleged by Mr. Martin.

On the basis of his charges William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, is demanding, at Washington, a Department of Justice inquiry, fully unmasking the Black Legion.

The Martin accusations supplement other information in the hands of state authorities linking the hooded body to anti-labor activities. The Black Legion's supposed part in the murder of two union organizers, John L. Bielek and George Marchuk, is to be the subject of an investigation.

Martin, recently elected president of the union and a former preacher, disclosed the evidence in part at his office here. The union lost the strike, which was characterized by violence.

## A. T. & T. FIGHT TO LIFT STATE RATES BARED

\$86,000 Paid to Indiana Press Agent, Company Official Reveals.

'PRESSURE' WAS URGED

Wanted Business Men Told Tolls Were Too Low, FCC Advised.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The American Telephone & Telegraph Co., used "every possible method" to obtain higher telephone rates in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan during the 1920s, Vice President E. S. Wilson told the Federal Communications Commission today.

Testifying before the F. C. C.'s inquiry into the huge corporation, Mr. Wilson said the company paid an Indiana press agent \$86,000, and urged its employees to use "pressure" on state utility commissions in the Middle West.

The evidence was in the form of photostatic copies of letters, direct testimony and testimony under vigorous cross-examination by Special Attorney Samuel Becker, conducting the commission's inquiry into the business of the A. T. & T.

The situation was very desperate in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan and we wanted the business men to know that we were not making a living," Mr. Wilson testified.

"We thought the spreading of this information might be helpful in our rate case."

He said that the Western Electric Co., A. T. & T. subsidiary, bought millions of dollars worth of supplies from hundreds of Middle West manufacturing companies annually. When asked whether he threatened to take away business from the firms if they did not cooperate, he replied:

"I can't imagine anyone in the Bell System making a threat like that."

In 1920, he said, he engaged Thomas R. Shipp as public relations counsel.

"Mr. Shipp was retained to investigate the telephone situation and report to me," Mr. Wilson said. "The service was poor, earnings were low and we had not been able to get any state utility orders from the state commission."

Mr. Shipp's reports concerned interviews with newspaper men, some of the commissioners, our own employees, the Governor of the state, and the chairmen of the Democratic and Republican National Committees.

"Why did he interview these public officials and politicians?" Mr. Becker asked.

Indiana "Most Political" State  
"I didn't control whom he saw," Mr. Wilson retorted. "Indiana is the most political state in the country and I was in touch with every body to find out why the telephone company was in such ill-repute."

He said the A. T. & T. paid Mr. Shipp \$86,000 from 1920 to 1925, and that "when we felt he had finished his work," his retainer was reduced to \$1000 a month.

Mr. Becker then introduced numerous letters from Mr. Wilson to state telephone company officials concerning their efforts to obtain higher rates. In one letter, Mr. Wilson congratulated W. E. T. Bell, president of the Northwestern group of the Bell Telephone System, Omaha, in 1920 on the "impression made upon the commission by the bankers."

"If the other utilities can unite with the investors and the bankers in keeping public sentiment right in your territory, it will accomplish a great deal," Mr. Wilson wrote.

"Pressure" Is Suggested  
In another letter in 1920 to F. C. Kuhn, president of the Michigan State Telephone Co., Detroit, Mr. Wilson said:

"I am wondering if you have considered and abandoned the idea of a public hearing similar to that held before the Illinois Commission at which, you will remember, the bankers vigorously protested against the low earnings which the utilities were making."

"It would seem to me that some pressure should be brought upon the commission by responsible business men who appreciate the necessity of adequate telephone service."

STRIKE CLOSES PLANT  
275 Iron Molders' in Kokomo Demand Increase in Wages.

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## South Keeps Speaker Post



William B. Bankhead

## INTERNAL REVENUE GAIN CREDITED TO BUSINESS

11-Month Increase of \$3,490,380 Reported by Collector.

Federal internal revenue collected in Indiana from all sources during the 11 months ended May 31 totaled \$60,494,498, an increase of \$3,490,380 over the amount collected in the corresponding period of the last fiscal year, Will H. Smith, collector, reported today.

The 1935 collection totaled \$57,004,118, with \$10,007,649 of that amount coming from processing taxes. This year, due to invalidation of AAA, the processing tax collection amounted to only \$636,192, Mr. Smith said.

He attributed the increased collections to general business pick up.

90-ACRE PARK SITE PURCHASE APPROVED  
Action Delayed on Second West Side Parcel.

The Park Board today formally resolved to buy a 90-acre tract from the Henry J. Harding farm to be added to the West Side park system. Price is to be \$25,000.

However, the board today refused to buy for \$4000 the 9.3 acres from L. C. and C. J. Nelson, adjoining, as previously announced. It said appraisers since then had informed them that the land was not worth that.

The board offered the Nelsons \$4500 for 11.3 acres instead, and the Nelsons refused. It was reported. Jackie W. Joseph, board president, said the board may take condemnation proceedings.

STATE LINKS TOURNEY URGED ON PARK BOARD  
Ken Hoy Makes Request for Use of Coffin Course.

Ken Hoy, Indianapolis Public Links Association, today asked permission of the Park Board to hold an all-state public links tournament on the Coffin course Sept. 14.

The tournament would be the first of its kind in the state, he said, and is expected to occupy the minds of all public links players in the state.

The board instructed him to appear before a committee with names of all Indiana cities having public links. Board members appeared to be favorable.

DRIVES WRONG WAY ON CIRCLE; IS ARRESTED  
Kentuckian Held After Collision With Local Car.

The annual "drive the wrong way on Monument Circle" influx started yesterday, and today James Sutherland, 26, of Middletown, Ky., thinks that towns with circles and one-way streets are unnecessary.

Arrested on charges of reckless driving, Sutherland is said by police to have driven the wrong way around the circle, colliding with a car driven by Richard Snell, 17, of 3002 Broadway, Miss Harriet Wilder, 16, of 2126 Park-ave, who was riding with Snell, was injured.

DEPUTIES PICK HERRIOT  
Radical Socialist Elected Head of New French Chamber.

PARIS, June 4.—The new chamber of deputies convened today and elected Edouard Herriot, Radical Socialist leader, president.

Fair and Warmer Forecast  
"Fair and warmer" for Indianapolis and vicinity, was the forecast today of the United States Weather Bureau. Tomorrow promises a further rise in temperature with no hint of showers.

Strikes Flare in Europe; Left Wingers Are Blamed  
By United Press  
Strikes inspired by Left Wing demands for better wages and working conditions spread in several European countries today.

The most serious situation was in France, where the government headed by the Socialist Leon Blum is about to take power. More than 400,000 workers were out and there was a threat of a paralyzing general strike.

Similar conditions prevailed in Spain, where hundreds of thousands were on strike.

The Port of Antwerp, Belgium, was tied up by a strike of 5000 lock workers. As in France, a Socialist coalition government is about to be formed in Belgium.

A 20-hour general strike, attributed to Communists, was declared in Salonica, Greece.

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## HOUSE ELECTS BANKHEAD TO SPEAKER POST

New Chieftain Is Regarded One of Congress' Most Able Strategists.

STRONG FOR NEW DEAL  
Late Leader Suave, Cool Parliamentarian; Boasted Many Friends.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The election of Rep. William B. Bankhead of Alabama as Speaker of the House today gave that body a leader regarded as one of the ablest strategists in Congress.

The soft-spoken, gentlemanly Alabama, father of Actress Tallulah Bankhead and brother of Senator John H. Bankhead, has come to be looked upon as one of the ablest of new deal parliamentarians. He has served almost two decades in Congress.

Aggressively loyal to the Administration, Speaker Bankhead had worked hand-in-hand with Mr. Byrns in plotting the New Deal's legislative program through the House.

At the start of the Seventy-Fourth Congress in 1935, he was an unsuccessful candidate for Speaker. So excellent was his sportsmanship and so masterful his tactics, however, that he succeeded in preventing any factional differences within the party as a result of the speaker-ship contest.

Awarded the post of majority floor leader, Mr. Bankhead found it necessary to be absent from the House during most of last year's session, due to a heart ailment.

Returned This Year  
There was agitation for replacing him with a man whose health would permit him to undertake the arduous duties of majority leader. Rep. Edward T. Taylor (D., Colo.), served through the remainder of the session as acting floor leader, however.

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Mr. Bankhead is 62 years old. He began his public career in the Alabama Legislature in 1900. He was elected to the Sixty-Fifth Congress in 1917, and has been re-elected for every term since.

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Checks Received Here to Pay Bonus  
Veterans Must Take Their Bonds to Post Office.

Adolph Sidensticker, postmaster, received today 125,000 United States Treasury checks to be used in payment of the bonus bonds for World War veterans.

The checks are to be made out and placed in the mail within 24 hours after veterans present their bonds at the Postoffice here. Indianapolis is to clear all Indiana veterans' bonds except those in East Chicago, Terre Haute, Muncie, South Bend, Evansville, Hammond, Gary and Fort Wayne.

The bonus bonds are to be delivered starting June 16 and must be handed to the veterans personally. Veterans must bring their bonds to the Postoffice and be identified by two witnesses before payment can be paid.

The blank checks are to be signed five at a time by deputized clerks before they are accepted.

Delivery of bonus bonds is to be through regular mail channels but the postman is required to know the veteran personally or require him to be identified.

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Byrns Dies Suddenly in Capital; State Funeral to Be Tomorrow.

ROOSEVELT TO ATTEND  
Early Adjournment Hopes Are Dimmed; Many Bills Are Sidetracked.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—William B. Bankhead of Alabama was elected Speaker of the House today to fill the post left vacant by the sudden death of Joseph W. Byrns.

Mr. Bankhead's elevation to the speakership was agreed upon at an emergency conference of House leaders.

Immediately after electing Mr. Bankhead, the House prepared to recess, until a state funeral for Mr. Byrns, to be held in the House at noon tomorrow.

President Roosevelt will attend the House funeral. He also will go to Nashville, Tenn., for the final services at which most of Mr. Byrns' congressional associates will be present.

It was formally announced that after services in the House, the body of the late Speaker will be placed on a train for Nashville at 4:35 p. m. The train will arrive at Nashville at 12:50 p. m. Saturday, where final services will be held Saturday afternoon.

Senate Calls Recess  
The Senate paid its respects by recessing and delaying tax bill action indefinitely.

Mr. Bankhead, House majority leader since the elevation of Mr. Byrns to the speakership after the death of Speaker Henry Rainey, was elected by the House within a few minutes after it met to consider the legislative crisis arising from Byrns' death.

Clerk of the House Louis Trimble called the House into session. Most of the members were already on the floor conversing quietly in hushed tones.

Galleries were crowded with spectators. It was the first time in history that the House had been faced with the duty of electing a successor to a Speaker who had died while Congress was in session.

Trimble called the House to order and briefly announced that "it is my painful duty to inform the House of the death of the Speaker."

Election Is Unanimous  
Rules Committee Chairman John J. O'Connor then offered a resolution for the election of Mr. Bankhead to Mr. Byrns' post.

"It is necessary," he told members, "for the machinery of government to go on. I am sure that the House will quickly put the question. A chorus of ayes swelled forth. 'Are there any nays?' asked Trimble.

The House was silent.

O'Connor and a group of leaders left the chamber to escort Mr. Bankhead to the dais where only yesterday Byrns had laughed and joked with members and performed his last official act—recess of the House in respect to Rep. A. Platt Andrew (R., Mass.), who died Tuesday.

The group escorted Bankhead in (Turn to Page Three)

WATER FIRM OUTLINES FINANCING OPERATION  
Company Asks Permission to Fleet Stock, Bond Issues.

The Indianapolis Water Co. has filed petition with the Federal Service Commission asking permission to issue stocks and bonds to reimburse for capital expenditures paid out of operating revenue.

The petition asks for a stock issue of 1500 shares of 5 per cent cumulative preferred stock at \$100 per share, and a bond issue of first lien refunding 5 per cent gold bonds amounting to \$722,000 under terms of indenture of 1930.

BOY LEAPS TO SAFETY AS CARS CRUSH BIKE  
Taxi and Other Vehicle Meet Head-on at Intersection.

Discretion is also the better part of bicycle riding. George Dellstein, 8, of 334 Berkeley-st., proved today. Crossing the intersection of 44th and Boulevard-pk, George saw he would be caught between two cars. He jumped and ran. The bicycle was crushed between a taxi and another car.

Robert Springer, 18, of 3340 of Broadway and his passengers, Helen Ellis, 18, of 3042 N. Delaware-st., and Dorothy Durham, 18, of 3345 Washington-hlvd., Butler university students, were shaken but not seriously injured in the crash.

In the taxi, driven by Jerry Ellis, 21, Negro, of 825 Pac-st., was William King, 26, Negro, of 618 Bright-st., and William Banks, 21, of 421 E. 9th-st.