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## KNOX GREETED HERE ON WAY TO BIG RALLY

Landon's Running Mate Is  
Welcomed at Lebanon by  
G. O. P. Chiefs.

CITY STOPOVER IS BRIEF  
Speaks at Connersville To-  
night at Springer's  
Notification Fete.

Indiana Republicans today greet-  
ed Col. Frank Knox, vice-presidential  
candidate, who paid Indianapolis  
a hasty visit en route to the  
Raymond S. Springer notification  
ceremonies at Connersville.

The Chicago public is to de-  
liver his first official campaign ad-  
dress since the recent notification  
ceremonies in the G. O. P. gubernia-  
torial nominee's home-town tonight.  
Mr. Springer was to speak this after-  
noon.

Col. Knox, wearing a green sum-  
mer suit and Panama hat, arrived  
at 12:15 p. m. He was greeted by  
several state and county party lead-  
ers, and taken immediately to his  
suite.

He was to attend a luncheon with  
leaders and newspaper men at 1 p.  
m., and after a short rest, was  
to speak at Connersville.

The Columbia Club was decorated  
with flags and bunting. Club of-  
ficials and attendants, as well as  
the greeters, wore large "Landon  
sunflowers."

Several greeted Col. Knox as "the  
next Vice President of the United  
States."

Greeting at Lebanon

The Knox party was met at  
Lebanon by George A. Ball, Muncie,  
Republican national committeeman;  
Mrs. Grace Banta Reynolds, Cam-  
bridge City, national committeewoman;  
Ivan C. Morgan, state chairman, and Mrs. Morgan and  
Mrs. Maurice L. Mendenhall, Indi-  
anapolis, pre-convention manager of  
Col. Knox and Mrs. Mendenhall.

The party stopped at the Colum-  
bia Club and later in the afternoon  
was to drive to Connersville, arriv-  
ing in time for Col. Knox's address  
at 8 p. m. in Roberts Park. The ad-  
dress will be broadcast over WFBM.

The Knox party included Mrs.  
Knox, Clarence Brown, Miss Rose  
Kinsella, Mr. Brown's secretary;  
John Kellee, Col. Knox's secretary;  
and Leroy Vernon of the Chicago  
Daily News.

LEWIS' UNION BEGINS  
DRIVE IN COAL FIELD

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The United Mine Workers, John L. Lewis' leading rebel union faction, to-  
day served notice with a drive to  
enroll 100,000 coal processing work-  
ers that they will carry the labor  
war which has split the American  
Federation of Labor, straight to the  
enemy's camp.

The drive, which will probably  
start by absorption of 4000 members  
now in Federal unions banded to-  
gether as the National Council of  
Gas and Coke Workers, is slated to  
begin "within a month." It was said  
by James Nelson, council president.

JACKSON OUTLINES  
RULES ON JOB LAW

Non-profit organizations in In-  
diana having more than eight em-  
ployees must file applications for ex-  
emption if they believe themselves  
exempt from the state Unemploy-  
ment Compensation law, Clarence  
A. Jackson, Unemployment Com-  
pensation division director, said to-  
day.

Many such organizations which  
are exempt from other taxes are  
subject to the state compensation  
tax and the Federal pay roll tax,  
the director said.

RISE IS CONTINUED  
BY STOCK MARKET

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By United Press  
NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—All sections  
of the stock market list joined to-  
day in a continuation of yesterday's  
rise in values with new five-year  
highs being established. Gains  
ranged from one to almost three  
points in unusually heavy turnover  
for the short session.

DIRIGIBLE BACK IN U. S.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Aug. 8.—The  
dirigible Hindenburg, carrying  
among its passengers Douglas Fair-  
banks, motion picture actor, his  
wife, the former Lady Sylvia Ashley,  
and Max Schmeling, German  
heavyweight boxer, arrived over the  
naval station at 11 a. m. today.

TIMES FEATURES  
ON INSIDE PAGES

## Last Alarm

Mrs. Isla L. Meyers today  
asked Superior Court No. 3 for a  
divorce from Stanley D. Meyers because, the petition  
states, she has to spend an  
hour each morning getting him  
awake; because that makes it  
necessary for her to eat her  
breakfast alone; because frequently  
she can't waken him at all and has to go to the  
hardware store, 5339 E. Washington-st., which Mr. Meyers  
owns, and do his work.

## KILLER SUSPECT IS GRILLED HERE

Goes Under Lie Detector  
for Quiz on Murder in  
Wabash Holdup.

Harry E. Singer, 26, former con-  
vict and confessed slayer of three  
members of a Wabash County farm  
family, was brought to Indianapolis  
by state police today for questioning  
in connection with the fatal shoot-  
ing of J. D. Bryant, Detroit, in a  
highway holdup, near Wabash,  
July 3.

State Police Capt. Matt Leach and  
Detective Albert Teusch put Singer  
under a "lie detector" upon arrival  
at headquarters in the Statehouse.

Reports that Singer had been  
linked with the deaths of his moth-  
er and brother near Rochester two  
years ago were discredited by Capt.  
Leach, who said records showed that  
the former convict was in the Statehouse  
at the trial of the Statehouse.

Singer last night at Wabash led  
authorities to a five-foot grave in a  
cow barn where he said he had  
buried the bodies of his employer,  
John Kellman, 56, also known as  
John Fielding "Wesley," his wife  
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## ILLEGAL-JURY PLEA REFUSED BY JUDGE

Karrer Denies Motion of  
Lawyer to Free Woman.

A second attempt to gain release  
of a woman from prison on the  
grounds of alleged illegal jury selec-  
tions failed in Criminal Court to-  
day.

Judge Pro Tem. Clyde Karrer  
denied a motion for permission to  
file a habeas corpus writ in behalf  
of Mrs. Zula May Frankfort, serv-  
ing a term in the Indiana Women's  
Prison for grand larceny.

A survey of wages and classifica-  
tions in city positions made for  
Mayor Kern by the Chamber of  
Commerce showed, he said, many  
discrepancies in jobs paying similar  
salaries.

The salary increase asked in the  
1937 budget is expected to equalize  
some of these wide variations, the  
Mayor said.

Members of the City Council have  
pledged themselves to reduce the  
budgets when they are presented

Aug. 17. Controller Boettcher in-  
vited council members to several  
budget sessions, but only four mem-  
bers have attended. He plans at  
least one more session before pre-  
senting the final budget figures to  
the council.

## U. S. RELAY TEAM GOES INTO FINALS

America's Hopes of Setting  
Olympic Record Soar.

By STUART CAMERON  
United Press Sports Editor

OLYMPIC STADIUM, BERLIN, Aug. 8.—America's hopes of shattering  
its record of 11 track and field

triumphs set in the 1932 Olympic  
Games soared today. The United States 400-meter relay team moved

into the finals with a world-record-  
equaling race in the first heat and

the three decathlon stars were pac-  
ing the field at the end of seven  
events.

Paced by Jesse Owens, the 1936  
Olympic Games' "triple" winner, the  
famous United States team went

the distance in 49 seconds, equaling  
the world and Olympic mark turned in by the triumphant  
American team of 1932.

With 10 titles already wrapped up  
in the Star-Spangled Banner, the  
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Horning Into  
Trouble

By National Safety Council



## Mystery Girl' in Robinson Capture to Be Identified

A NEW angle on the Stoll kidnaping case will  
be revealed exclusively in a series of articles  
that starts Monday in The Times. The series will  
reveal the identity of the "mystery girl" in the  
case.

Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll was abducted from her mansion  
in Louisville on Oct. 10, 1934. The crime was discovered by  
her husband, Berry V. Stoll, prominent  
oil operator, when he returned that  
evening for dinner.

Disguised as a telephone man,  
Thomas H. Robinson Jr. had entered  
the Stoll estate in broad daylight,  
bound and gagged the servants and  
escaped with Mrs. Stoll in a yellow  
sedan.

The alarm was sounded and the  
Louisville police were turned out to  
search for the missing woman. The best  
clue was the ransom note, found on a  
bed, which demanded \$50,000 for Mrs.  
Stoll's return. If the police were not-  
ified, Mrs. Stoll would die, the note said.

Thomas H. Robinson of Nashville, the kidnaper's father,  
was named as intermediary to collect the ransom money.

Within a few hours the Department of Justice took  
charge of the case and the hunt for young Robinson began.

The next day Stoll relatives withdrew \$50,000 in  
\$10 and \$20 bank notes, placed them in a small pasteboard  
box marked "value \$10" and sent it to the Nashville express  
office. Meanwhile the Stoll estate was cleared of all mem-

bers of the family and friends and announcement was  
made that the kidnaper could negotiate in safety.

WHILE police scoured the countryside, Mrs. Frances  
Stoll's life, unless the money was delivered to him im-  
mediately. By a devious route, Mrs. Robinson reached Indi-  
anapolis, delivered the \$50,000 to him and Mrs. Stoll was  
freed. Department of Justice men surrounded an automo-  
bile containing Mrs. Stoll, Mr. Robinson and two others  
at Indianapolis, Ind., and within an hour, on Oct. 15, Mrs.  
Stoll was home, safe, with a fresh check book and a  
large amount of cash.

With Mrs. Stoll free, the hunt for the kidnaper was  
on. Soon Robinson Sr. and his wife were arrested and  
charged with conspiracy against Lindbergh law in the  
United States Court in Louisville. A year later they were  
acquitted. Meanwhile there was no trace of young Rob-  
inson.

With \$50,000 in cash he had started for New York, where  
he stopped at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. This was the be-  
ginning of a 19-month spree in which he spent more than  
\$45,000.

On May 11, 1936, J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal  
Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, announced  
young Robinson's arrest at Glendale, Cal.

At that time young Robinson was known as Public  
Enemy No. 1.

His arrest came quickly after a series of captures by the  
G-men, who, within two weeks, had seized the more no-  
torious kidnap suspects, including:

A LVIN KARPIS, for the kidnaping of Edward G. Brem-  
er, and William A. Hamm Jr., both of St. Paul, Minn.,  
and the Garrettsville (O.) \$40,000 train robbery.

Harry Campbell, for the Bremer kidnaping and the Gar-  
rettsville robbery.

William Mahan, for the \$200,000 kidnaping of George  
Weyerhaeuser, 8, son of a Tacoma (Wash.) lumberman.

Young Robinson was not in any criminal gang but was  
painted as a lone wolf. He came of a good family in  
Nashville and grew up with all upper middle class ad-  
vantages. At one time, his father's financial success as a  
contractor enabled the family to maintain a home in the  
exclusive Belle Meade residential district.

Young Robinson entered Vanderbilt University, and  
participated in fraternity life, danced, drank, dated co-eds, played tennis and  
had a lot of fun. As a student he was a  
brilliant starter, but tended to lose interest after a while. But his grades  
were average.

In the spring of 1927, a sheriff's  
officer took him from his classroom. He  
married a girl who bore a child within a  
few months. A divorce was obtained  
soon after.

In 1929, he was married to Frances  
Althauser. They have a 5-year-old son,  
James.

In the year of his second marriage,  
he was arrested on a charge of stealing  
\$6000 in jewelry. The jewelry was returned and Robinson  
was sent to the state insane asylum, where he remained  
until released in the custody of his father.

After his arrest in Glendale for the Stoll kidnaping, he  
was rushed by airplane to Louisville, where he pleaded  
guilty to the kidnaping charge and was sentenced to life  
imprisonment. He started to serve his term in Atlanta  
and was later transferred to Leavenworth.

## EUROPE'S HOPES FOR NEUTRALITY BELIEVED FADING

Rome Convinced All Truce  
Efforts Are Doomed  
to Failure.

DUCE MAY BACK HITLER

Mussolini Said to Be Con-  
sidering How Far He  
Can Go.

BY STEWART BROWN  
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ROME, Aug. 8.—There is  
growing conviction here that  
the effort to effect a neutrality  
agreement in the Spanish  
revolt is doomed to failure.  
Diplomats believe that failure  
will bring the gravest crisis  
in all Europe's postwar history.

Premier Benito Mussolini  
was believed to be considering  
today how far to go, in event  
there is no neutrality agree-  
ment, in aiding the Spanish  
Fascist rebels.

Italy's sympathies, so far as the  
Fascist regime goes, are patently  
with the rebels. Fascists believe that  
the situation can be clarified only  
by a quick Fascist victory. A  
Fascist victory would strengthen the  
position of Italy and Germany in the  
Mediterranean and North Africa.  
It might also precipitate a European  
war, and this is the problem  
Mussolini must consider.

Diplomats believe that Mussolini  
will support any action that Adolf  
Hitler may take.

The fear is that the opposing  
regimes of fascism-Nazism and  
socialism-communism will be so  
committed in the Spanish affair  
that Europe will be lucky if it  
escapes real trouble.

The leaders feel that Russia  
and the French Left Wing forces are  
using the Spanish revolt as a means  
of launching an attack against  
fascism.

Italy and Germany are becoming  
increasingly close together. It is ex-  
pected that Count Galeazzo Ciano,  
foreign minister, will leave for Ber-  
lin at any hour "to attend the  
Olympic games."

## GROSS TAX RETURNS INCREASE \$619,259

21 Per Cent Gain Reported  
Over Last Year.

A \$619,259.34 increase for gross  
income tax returns for the first  
quarter of 1936 as compared to the  
same period last year was reported  
today by Clarence Jackson, gross  
income tax department head.

Figures for the 1936 period were  
\$3,567,349.76, as compared to \$2,945,  
900.42 for 1935, an increase of 21  
per cent.

Mr. Jackson also stated that Fed-  
eral income tax returns filed in  
Indiana are available for inspection  
by State Gross Income Tax Division  
representatives at the United States  
Bureau of Internal Revenue office  
from Washington, today.

Plans for checking Federal returns  
against state returns are to be for-  
mulated soon, he said. The object  
is to determine if all income sub-  
ject to state tax is being reported,  
he added.

The provision for inspection by  
state tax officials was inserted in the  
state tax Revenue Act in 1935 after  
Congress had abolished the so-called  
"pink slip" required in the 1934 act.

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LARGER COTTON CROP  
FOR 1936 FORECAST