

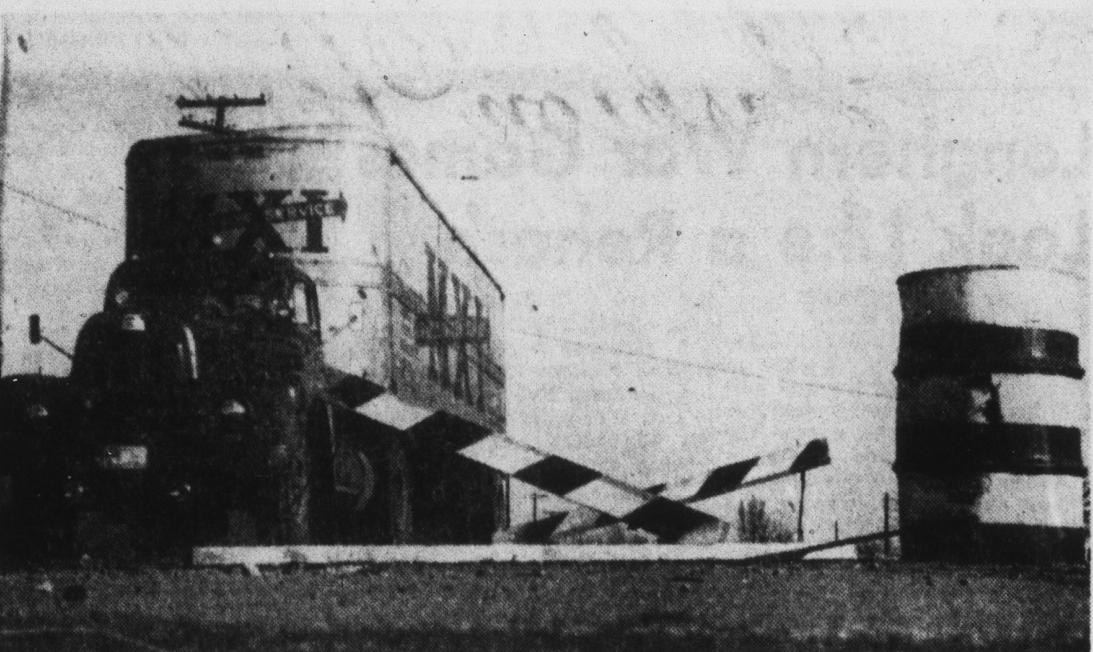
# Gov. Stevenson Admits The Heat's On For Him To Run



ROUGH RIDING SQUEEZE—U. S. 52 between 30th St. and Marion County line squeezed down from four lanes to two lanes or less by extensive repairs. Northbound bus shows bottle-neck potential.



ZIGZAG DRIVING—Southbound semitrailer shows how vehicles must swerve around barrels blocking off area of shattered pavement being prepared for resurfacing. Oncoming cars must swerve too.



PLUGGING BOTTLENECK—This big semitrailer provides startling obstacle to driver unfamiliar with repair work being done on four-lane highway that is smooth, clear sailing outside county.

## Four Confess 10 Robberies Here, in State

Four men held by police here place during August, September have confessed to six robberies and November, 1951. In their statements, the men said all four never worked any in Indianapolis and four others robbery together, but they had worked in various combinations.

Under arrest charged with robbery and auto banditry are: Joseph D. Coleman, 24, of 125 W. 29th St., who also faces included in their confessed crimes were two robberies of a liquor store at 611 Massachusetts Ave., two robberies of a grocery at 1502 W. Morris St., robbery of a grocery at 2507 W. Washington St., and a holdup of a trolley operator.

Another new ward chairman was named today by County chairman David M. Lewis in a continuation of his reorganization program started two months ago.

He appointed Preston Smith of the Hall-Neal Furnace Co. as new chairman of the 23d Ward, replacing William Allison, who is a candidate for re-election as County Commissioner.

Several more new ward chairmen will be appointed later this week.

Chairman Lewis also appointed John C. Christ, attorney, as acting secretary of the Marion County Democratic Committee to serve during the absence of Norman Blue, who is in the Army.

**Boys Held in \$6000 Destruction at School**

CHICAGO, Mar. 31 (UPI)—Two young brothers, ages 10 and 12, who "wanted to get even with some boys in the school" were scheduled to appear in juvenile court today on charges of chopping up, some \$6000 worth of equipment at St. Leo's elementary school.

The boys, whose names were not revealed, said they sneaked into the school late Saturday night and with small hand axes let go at desks, statues, a grand piano, threw some ink around and broke windows.

## Resisting Overtures, But Won't Say He'd Refuse Nomination

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 31 (UPI)—Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois said today Democratic Party leaders are bringing "considerable pressure" on him to run for President.

He indicated in an interview that he is resisting the overtures for the time being, but he carefully avoided saying that he would not accept the Democratic nomination.

A White House official reported, meanwhile, that President Truman has definitely decided to throw his full support behind Mr. Stevenson.

There was no immediate confirmation from the President, and Mr. Stevenson refused to comment on reports that Mr. Truman has offered to back him.

**'Can't Discuss It'**

"I can't discuss what has transpired between us," he told a reporter as he prepared to return to Springfield, Ill. "That's for the President to disclose."

Mr. Stevenson said he had not conferred with Mr. Truman since the President's dramatic announcement Saturday night that he will not seek re-election.

He acknowledged, however, that he spent all Sunday afternoon and most of Sunday evening in private huddles with other Democratic big-wigs.

He declined to identify them.

**May Depend on GOP**

A close political associate hinted that Mr. Stevenson's attitude toward the nomination may be governed by whom the Republicans nominate.

He said the Illinois governor would be more receptive to be-

ing invited to identify them.

**French Rip Reds**

HANOI, Indo-China, Mar. 31 (UPI)—French assault troops hammered thousands of trapped Communist rebels toward the Gulf of Tonkin today. The Com-

munists' crack 320th Vietminh division was expected to launch its last major attempt to break out of encirclement by French Gen. Gonzales de Linares' forces within 48 hours.

Three important factors led Ike earlier this month to decide he'd have to return to the U. S. before the Republican National Convention. These were:

**ONE**—The pressure from his supporters in the U. S., especially after Minnesota, for him to return between mid-May and June 1.

**TWO**—Increasing concern among other NATO countries about Ike's growing involvement in the American political campaign.

**THREE**—Probably most im-

portant, his own personal code for soldiers. He doesn't believe they should meddle in politics while on active duty. He's on the record about this.

Mr. Viehmann's endorsement of the safe driver reward insurance plan follows along the same lines of the program outlined in Pittsburgh recently by Alfred J. Bohlinger, New York's superintendent of insurance.

Mr. Bohlinger said an automobile rating plan should be "simple and practical" in operation, and should not disrupt the

coming Democratic standard-bearer if his GOP opponent was to be Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio.

He said the governor feels so strongly, and differs so radically from Mr. Taft, on foreign policy, that he might change his mind if he thought Mr. Taft would be his opponent.

**Vote Registration Sites Listed**

Branch voter registration boards will visit the 17th and 28th Wards tomorrow.

Residents who did not vote in either 1950 or 1951 elections must reregister to vote in the May 6 primary. If they moved to another precinct, they must transfer their registration.

Branch boards will operate from 2 to 9 p. m. at the following sites:

School 19, at 1624 Quill St.; School 64, at 3000 Cottage Ave.; School 72, at 1302 Troy Ave., and Fire Station 29, at 2302 Shelby St.

In addition, the Registration Board office, Room 12, Courthouse is open from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m. daily, including Sunday.

**Mr. Bernd**

Mr. Bernd, president of the Indiana Insurance Commission-free flow of business from one insurance company to another.

James R. Gregory, editor of *Rough Notes*, the world's largest general insurance magazine, came out editorially in favor of trying the reward system.

Before such a plan could be put into effect in Indiana, however, the state Legislature would be required to lift present restrictions on such a plan.

In effect, Mr. Viehmann would like casualty insurance companies to adopt an experience rating plan for auto insurance.

Asserting that experience rating would be "beneficial" to the policyholder and the industry, Mr. Viehmann said insured persons are now "unable to understand why the safe driver pays the same rate as the chronic accident driver."

A financial incentive for safe driving probably would make policyholders "more aware" of their role in keeping automobile insurance rates at "reasonable levels," he added. "As safe driving is stimulated, a necessary result should be a reduction in the frequency of accidents."

**Chiseling Possible**

But Mr. Viehmann explained there are many flaws in such an insurance program, such as insurance agents "chiseling for their preferred clients." Indiana had a reward plan for safe drivers 15 years ago but it was abolished when insurance agents were found to be favoring special clients.

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Mr. Gregory pointed out that most major companies lost money last year on automobile insurance because they paid out more damages than the policies brought in. He said the new plan was "certainly worth a try."

However, a leading insurance man in Indianapolis said he thinks insurance people in Indiana are equally divided on the plan. Many are opposed, he said, on the grounds that it is so easy for an insurance agent to favor certain clients under the proposed plan.

**Cost Conference To Open Friday**

Between 300 and 500 accountants will attend the Midwestern Regional Cost Conference which opens Friday for two days in the Claypool Hotel. A. L. Bernd, president of the Indianapolis chapter, announced today.

The conference will be centered around the industrial accountant's responsibilities and will bring delegates from 15 cities.

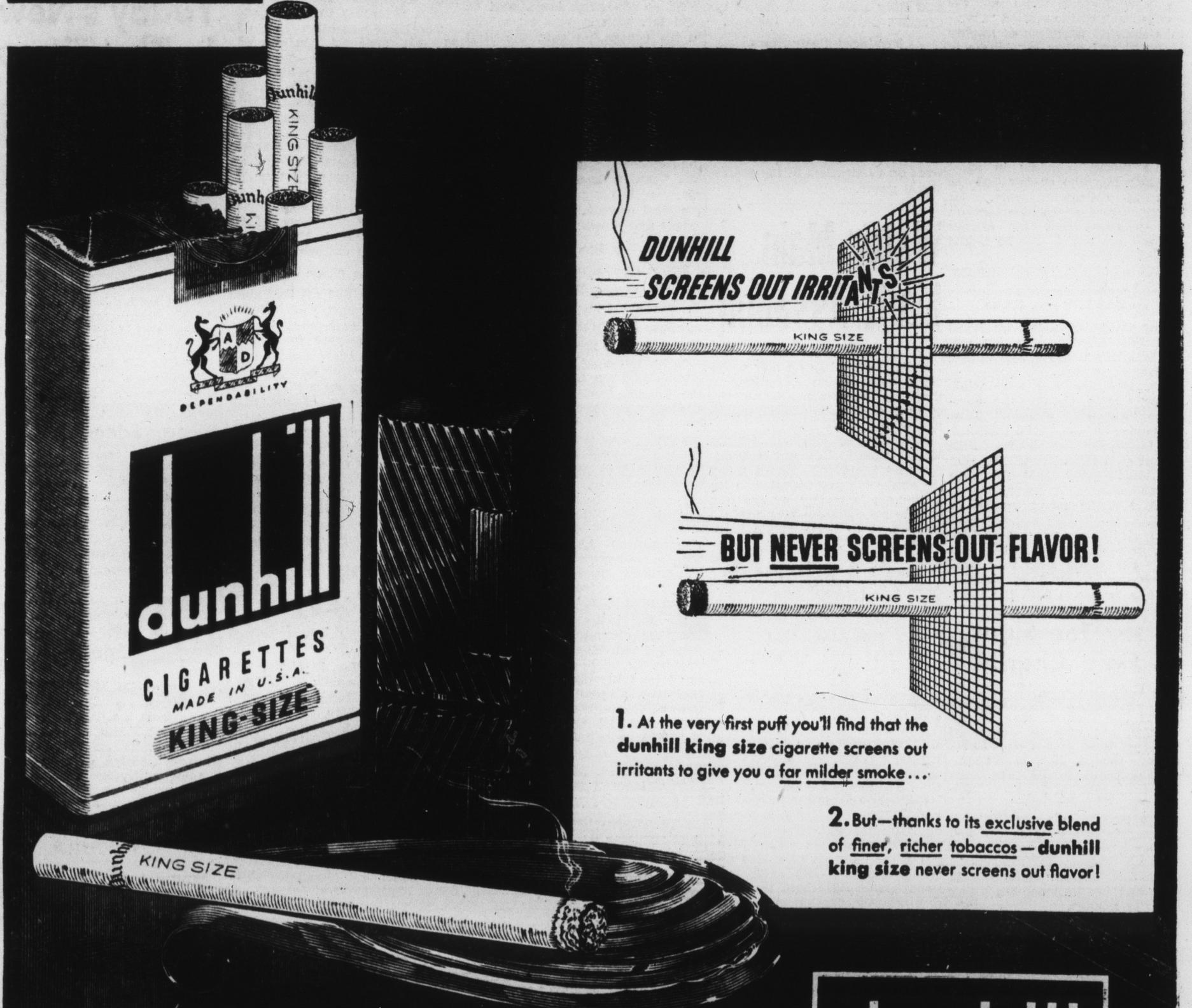
**Killed in Crash**

GENEVA, Mar. 31 (UPI)—Roscoe Dennis, 60, Geneva, was killed Saturday night when an automobile was wrecked in a ditch near Celina, O.



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