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Law Enforcement At Work

It was a quiet September day in a tiny, moon-dull town: Columbia, N. C. Everything, everyone had relaxed into a preliminary torpor...

But in the best of modern picture tradition a heavy, high-powered automobile rolled into town, a group of men got out and walked into the bank...

The bank was being robbed; the band of men deployed; a short yellow-faced man mannequin ordered the customers, clerks, tellers in the bank except...

The major moved; the Highway Patrol swung into action, pouring officers and automobiles into the area...

Paul Haywood Efrid

A KEY figure in the development of Charlotte as a mercantile trade center peaked from the dawn of the night in the death of Paul Haywood Efrid.

One of a group of Anson County brothers who came to Charlotte in early manhood and developed the far-flung chain of department stores that bears his name...

Mr. Efrid, in common with his brothers, had genius moved quickly, cleaned out the bank, stuffed over \$68,000 in bags and roared away before the town had realized that this day was different from any other...

A modest and retiring man, he devoted his time and effort to the development of his business and to his family.

Control Of The Senate

ALTHOUGH the spotlight plays heaviest upon the Presidential candidates, the battle for control of the Senate in the political campaign is being waged on the Senate level.

Public opinion polls indicate that a Republican landslide will sweep Mr. Dewey into the White House...

The present party lineup in the Senate is 51 Republicans, 45 Democrats. Elections are being held this year for 33 seats in 32 States...

The Republicans are regarded as strong to elect Senators in these eight states: New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, and Wisconsin.

Maine—Rep. Margaret Chase Smith (R) was elected Sept. 13 to succeed Wallace H. White Jr. (R).

Michigan—Incumbent Homer Ferguson (D).

Nebraska—Incumbent Kenneth S. Werry (R).

North Dakota—Rep. Earl E. Mondak (R) is nominee for seat of Republican Harlan J. Bushfield.

There is every indication that the Democrats will elect eleven Senators in these Southern states:

Alabama—Incumbent John J. Sparkman (D).

Arkansas—Incumbent John L. McClellan (D).

Georgia—Incumbent Richard B. Russell (D).

Louisiana—Incumbent Allen J. Ellender (D).

Democrat Russell Long is nominee for unexpired term of the late John H. Overton (D).

One of the band—a Negro—remained in the rainy, snake-infested swamp. Long hours after he entered the swamp he slipped through the first ring of the cordon, sneaked into a nearby small town. He was picked up immediately by an alert officer.

The time elapsed since the robbery: 47 hours. Most of the money, if not all of it, is back in the bank now.

This law enforcement at work, all branches of North Carolina's protective system cooperating. Our appreciation is due this system; we are happy to extend it.

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The Thinker



No Appeasement and No Bullying

Shirt-Sleeve Diplomacy

By DEWITT MACKENZIE Associated Press Foreign Affairs Analyst

THE shirt-sleeve diplomacy employed by Great Britain and France in calling on Moscow for a series of purposes:

1. To make it plenty plain that appeasement is out of the window. 2. To serve notice that the three democracies would be bullied into abandoning their positions.

These democracies are "absolute agreement" on a policy of "defending themselves in Berlin" and are agreed on a policy of "the 44 will fail to give the blockaded capital the supplies needed."

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Marquis Childs

Long-Range Plan

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Then Comes Darkness

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The experts' assessment of Soviet policy seems to have been borne out by events. And in this turn again, the Soviet Union is being outmaneuvered by the West.

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