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Somewhat overcast probably showers in eastern portion tonight and Tuesday. Fresh east winds.

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Italians Again Facing Death Unless Another Last Minute Reprieve

Before Another Dawn Sacco and Vanzetti, Convicted of Murder in Payroll Hold-up, to Die

COUNSEL WORKING
Undismayed by Refusals, Lawyers and Sympathizers of the Radicals Still Seek Their Rescue

Boston, August 22—(AP)—Further legal doors were closed today when Justice Stone of the United States Supreme Court and Justice Sisk of the Massachusetts Superior Court refused petition for a stay of execution.

This left them there apparently in the hands of Governor Fuller, who had under consideration a petition for a further respite.

Four United States Supreme Justices, Holmes, Brandeis, Taft, and Stone, had refused to intervene.

Stonington, Maine, August 22—(AP)—A stay of execution in the Sacco-Vanzetti case was refused today by Justice Harlan F. Stone, of the United States Supreme Court at his summer home at Isle Au Haut.

Judge Taft Refuses
Michael A. Musmanno, of Sacco Vanzetti defense council announced today that Chief Justice Taft had sent him a telegram in which he announced his refusal to receive a petition for a stay of execution because the matter was outside his jurisdiction.

Review of Cases
Sacco and Vanzetti, radicals under sentence of death by electrocution shortly after midnight tonight were convicted of the murder of a paymaster and his guard in a holdup in South Braintree on April 15, 1926. Both were known to department of justice operatives because of radical activities. Before trial for the South Braintree holdup Vanzetti was convicted of a robbery while armed.

The state's case in the South Braintree matter rested on identification by witnesses; the fact that both men were heavily armed when arrested, Sacco with a revolver claimed to be that carried by the slain guard a cap identified as Sacco's found on the murder scene; and various other circumstantial evidences.

The defense contended the men were framed because they feared deportation as radicals; produced witnesses to contradict identification; and charged collusion between Federal, and state officials, persecution for political ideas and prejudice on the part of trial justice and jury foreman.

Sacco worked in a shoe factory in Southton. Vanzetti was a fish peddler in plymouth. Both Italians.

Refuse Last Rites
Boston, August 22—(AP)—Sacco and Vanzetti today refused the last rites of the church, saying they preferred to die as they had lived outside its pale.

All details of the plans for the execution of Sacco and Vanzetti, due to die in the electric chair here sometime after midnight tonight, were completed at the prison today. Unless last minute moves of their counsel serve to bridge them another stay the reprieve which saved them from death barely a half hour before they were to start the march to the death chamber on the night of August 10th will expire at exactly 12 o'clock tonight. Despite the international interest in the case the steps in carrying out the law will differ in no particular from those surrounding the highest penalty. There will be the customary number of witnesses, the same executioner, the usual prison guards.

Only in the arrangements outside the execution chamber will there be any difference. Outside guards, state and city police will keep crowds a block or more from the prison gates. Within the gates the largest crowd of newspapermen who ever gathered for an execution in Charlestown will be stationed to flash the news to every corner of the world which the case has attracted attention.

Sacco and Vanzetti and Celestino Maderos, due to die at the same time though for another crime, rested today in their cells apparently forty feet from the chair in which they are to die, though shut off by brick walls that hide the knowledge of its presence. There they will remain until the guards summon them one after the other, to start the march to the chair. Customarily this occurs within a minute of the stroke of midnight.

The official witnesses, invited by Warden William E. Hendry, will gather in the warden's office shortly after 11 P. M. The group

Detective Says It With Plane

Ordinarily it would take several days for a man to travel from Bradford, Pa., to Harrisburg, to Albany, N. Y., and then back to Bradford, stopping to interview two governors on the way. But County Detective Jack J. Allison (below) in a plane piloted by Harri Emery (top), cut the journey down to a few hours. He had to get the signatures of Governor Fisher and Governor Al Smith on extradition papers.



Start From Detroit Around The Globe
Detroit, August 22—(AP)—Edward F. Schlee, president of the Wayco Oil Corporation, and his pilot, William Brock, who will attempt to break the globe encircling record, hopped off from Ford Airport at 10:21 o'clock this morning for Curtiss Field, L. E. enroute to Harbor Grace, N. F., their official starting point.

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Funeral J. F. EVANS
Funeral services of J. F. Evans were conducted at the home Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. R. P. Downey, supply pastor of Blackwell Memorial Church, officiating. During the services the choir from Blackwell Memorial Church rendered "Asleep in Jesus" and "Rock of Ages." Burial was made in Camden at Hastings Corner, where Mr. Evans formerly lived.

Pallbearers were: Earl Sawyer, Jim Sawyer, Frank Carter, Alfred Upton, John Upton and Sam Upton.

Surviving Mr. Evans are his wife, one son, Frank, Jr., his mother, Mrs. Etta Evans of Camden, one sister, Mrs. Ida Upton of Camden, one brother, Gilbert Evans, and an aunt, Mrs. Lina Wells, both of this city.

will include, besides the warden and deputy warden James L. Hogsett, the medical examiner of Suffolk county, Dr. Geo. Burgess Magrath; the prison physician, Dr. Johnson McLaughlin; the Surgeon General, of the Massachusetts National guard; Dr. Frank P. Williams; Sheriff William H. Cpen, of Norfolk county; and W. E. Playfair, of The Associated Press.

Boston, Aug. 22—(AP)—Alotted hours of life for Sacco and Vanzetti dwindled steadily today while legal exertions and sympathetic demonstrations multiplied to spite of repeated failures.

Before another dawn the two radicals, in whose behalf there has been world-wide agitation since their conviction seven years ago of two murders in a payroll holdup, will die in the electric chair at state prison unless their counsel, working at several widespread points, obtain another respite or stay of sentence. With them will go Celestino Maderos, who was convicted of another murder, but professed to have been responsible for the crime of which Sacco and Vanzetti were convicted.

Undismayed by the refusal in (Continued on page 2)

Navy Will Continue Search Pacific Until Thursday

Washington, August 22—(AP)—The Navy will continue until Thursday its search in the Pacific ocean for the lost San Francisco to Hawaii aviators, it was announced today.

Honolulu, August 22—(AP)—The Navy mapped out another area of Hawaiian waters today to cover in its search for the missing Dole flight aviators. Despite the fact that the Golden Eagle and the Miss Doran with five persons aboard were five days overdue here and that the Dallas Spirit has not been heard from since last Friday night, searchers here refused to give up hope.

Seaplane patrols which Saturday searched the ocean to the windward of the island of Maui and yesterday searched the sea to the windward of Molokai today were to search the ocean off Kaula within an area extending sixty miles north and 100 east, the U. S. S. Holland and accompanying boats yesterday searched the area between Kaula and Nohoa or Bird Island, turning last night to search the area south of Nohoa.

The U. S. S. Widgeon with accompanying boats last night were still on the leeward side of Kaula bound for Pearl Harbor.

The U. S. S. Oroclan was to continue the search today north of the island of Hawaii. The Pelican and the Sundaad are to accompany seaplane patrols off Kaula.

DRY AGENTS HAVE VERY BUSY WEEK

Four Stills Wrecked in Upper Camden County, And One Arrest Made

Four large stills, more than 7,000 gallons of mash, one alleged violator of the Volstead Act and ten gallons of liquor represent the fruits of the past week's activities of Federal Prohibition Agents J. London and C. T. Griffin in upper Camden County last week, it was learned here today.

The biggest of the stills was a "railroad plant" which had just been set up on a small island in the heart of the Dismal Swamp, about four miles west of South Mills. About a thousand feet of tram road connected it with the high land, enabling the builders to transport their equipment and supplies over the intervening bogs.

The still was equipped with an eight horsepower upright steam boiler; a double, or secondary tank, three cooling vats, three brand new copper worms, and a steam pump and other accessories designed to permit the manufacturing of liquor in a strictly modern, sanitary way. With it, the officers destroyed some 5,000 gallons of mash. As they approached about 25 signal shots were fired from three directions.

Approximately a mile from that point, a second still was destroyed. This was a smaller plant, operated by a gasoline engine, and apparently had been running for several months. The officers poured out some 600 gallons of mash there. Both stills were wrecked Thursday afternoon.

On Wednesday, the two dry agents seized two stills in the Burr Mill section, some two miles below South Mills, together with some 1,500 gallons of liquor. They arrested Greenwood Bartlett, colored, whose home is said to be closely adjacent to one of the plants. Bartlett is scheduled to face trial at the term of Federal Court here in October.

Three Killed As Train Hits Truck

Washington, Aug. 22—(AP)—Three youths were killed today when Southern Railway train number 30 en route to Washington, struck an automobile truck in which they were riding near Hart, Virginia. Southern headquarters announced here.

President Better AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

President Coolidge's special train enroute to Yellowstone from Edgemont, S. D. August 22—(AP)—President Coolidge was feeling better today as he traveled to Yellowstone National Park, having virtually recovered from a slight attack of indigestion which kept him in bed yesterday morning. After boarding the train at Custer last night Mr. Coolidge was able to enter the dining car for a regular steak dinner before retiring and Dr. James F. Coupal, his physician, said there was no doubt but that the attack had been cured.

The President spent four hours fishing in the hot sun Saturday and this is believed to have contributed somewhat to his illness.

THINKS ASHLEY WAS NOT LOST IN TENNESSEE CAVE

Mine Inspector Will Report to Governor Peay that Hoax was Staged just for Publicity

ASHLEY INDIGNANT

Threatens to Bring Suit Against Party and Publications Spreading Such a Report

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 22—(AP)—L. S. Ashley, cave explorer, was not lost in the Nick-A-Jack Cave at Shelbourn, and did not dig his way out by another opening to the cave after six days of confinement, in the opinion of D. P. Fife, state mine inspector, who said today that he would so report to Governor Austin Peay today.

There was no evidence to show that Ashley had been in the cave, he said, and a great deal to indicate that he and members of the searching party were working "a publicity stunt."

While Ashley came down the mountain from the place where "he dug himself out" Ashley passed within a short distance of the main entry to the cave at which searching parties were gathered, he did not stop to look at those who were supposedly trying to save his life, Mr. Fife said, while the attitude of the people there was not of those witnessing "the return of a dear friend from the dead" in Mr. Fife's opinion.

Other evidence will also be included in the official report, he indicated.

Shelbourn, Tenn., Aug. 22—(AP)—Lawrence Ashley, according to his own story, today owed his life to a small cache of food he had planted far back in the recesses of the Nick-A-Jack Cave and to a small shovel with which he dug his way to freedom after being entombed for six days.

Ashley made his exit yesterday from the famous cavern which sprang out under three states and from which maturing bands of Cherokee Indians used to make their sallies against white settlers, at a point in Castle Rock Guleh, eight miles from the mouth of the cave which he entered on Monday a week ago. In a dazed, semi-conscious condition and on the verge of collapse, the explorer protested he was none the worse for his experience.

As Ashley emerged from the cavern through a small opening hitherto unknown, rescue workers were preparing to make a final attempt to locate him alive. A crew of trained workers, was ready to enter the cave and preparations had been made to drag the river of darkness, which courses through the cavern, in an effort to locate Ashley's body.

The entrance of the Nick-A-Jack Cave is on the Tennessee line where that state joins Alabama and Georgia and the passage ways of the cavern run far back into the latter two states.

Ashley entered the cave last Monday to examine an unexplored sub cavern and it was there that he was trapped by a landslide which cut off his retreat and forced him to dig his way to freedom with a pocket knife and a small shovel. A supply of food which he had cached in the cavern, and from which he was not cut off by the slide, served to sustain life.

After a brief rest at the home of a friend near the cave, Ashley appeared much refreshed. He was indignant at suggestions that the whole affair was a hoax to advertise the cave, on which he is said to hold a 50 year lease and threatened to bring suit against any party or publications that spread such a report.

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Many Before Court On Variegated Charges

It was colored folks' day in recorder's court Monday morning. With not a white defendant on the docket, there was an unusually large assortment of cases involving minor disputes, for the most part, together with one defendant charged with possession of liquor for purposes of sale.

This defendant was Frank Sylvester, employed at a local lumber mill, Police Officer Winslow testified that in a visit to the home of Lizzie Price, colored, on Shepard street Sunday afternoon he discovered a pint of whisky in a tool box in which Sylvester appeared to be taking much interest.

Sylvester freely admitted possession of the liquor. His explanation was that he found it in a colored cemetery on Peartree Road Sunday morning, and intended to take it over to the mill at which he was employed merely to give it to friends. He bears an excellent reputation, and Trial Justice Sawyer let him off upon payment of a fine of \$5 and costs after warning him sharply.

Charged with having struck Cleo White, colored, a youth, over the head with a hammer, William Cowell, apparently about 16 years old, admitted his guilt and was fined \$5 and costs. He claimed White crapped with him, and being unable to "knock him loose" with his fist, he tried the hammer with highly satisfactory results.

A charge of speeding netted Irving Price, youth, a suspended sentence of 50 days in jail, conditional upon payment of the court costs and his refraining from driving a car in North Carolina for two years. Frank M. Newby Jr., who operates a grocery store on the Euclid Heights Road near the city limits, testified Price drove past his place on Friday a week ago, making 60 to 65 miles an hour.

Price was fined \$10 and costs on a second charge of passing a street intersection at a rate of speed above 15 miles an hour.

Accused of having assaulted Isaac Lister, colored, by blowing black pepper into his eyes, Edwin Gregory, about 16, was fined \$5 and costs. He claimed they were "just playing" at the time, and he had no intention of injuring Lister. The latter declared he recovered from the experience in a few hours.

Bart Griffin, whose employer, Hersey P. Williams, accredited him with being so much of a shiek that he literally had to beat the women off him, was fined \$5 and costs when he admitted having struck Margaret George, a former sweetheart, Margaret testified he knocked her down twice. Bart's contention was that she "messed with him first" and he couldn't get away from her otherwise.

Because she refused to mind either him or her grandmother, Joseph Armstrong, defendant before the court, confessed to having been a bit rough with his wife, Alma. She claimed he hit or pushed her outdoors at their home, and accused him of having been drunk. Trial Justice Sawyer put him under a four months' suspended sentence with the proviso that he support his family and refrain from further rough tactics. He also was required to pay the court costs.

Much lurid language brought Mag Johnson, elderly colored woman, into court as the outcome of a dispute with a neighbor. Mag contended the other woman made fun of her because she was barefoot. Until then, she said, she hadn't spoken a word to her since Christmas morning. Mag, an old offender, was fined \$5 and costs. She admitted having had a drink or two before the trouble began.

Trooper Killed In Riot at Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 22—(AP)—A Pennsylvania trooper was shot and instantly killed today during a Sacco-Vanzetti demonstration at Acemtonia, near Springdale. The officer, private John D. Downey, from the Greensburg barracks, from the state police, was shot while assisting in breaking up a meeting of some 2,000 Sacco-Vanzetti sympathizers.

Twenty Five Agents N. Y. C. Dismissed

Washington, August 22—(AP)—Twenty five prohibition agents in New York City were dismissed as a part of an announced country wide program to eliminate inefficient employes.

GOES WITH GIANTS

Fayetteville, Aug. 22—(AP)—Dewitt Perry, pitcher of the Fayetteville Highlanders, has signed a contract with the New York Giants, according to an announcement today by manager "Duck" Smith. Perry has hung up a strike-out record in amateur ranks, averaging about ten each game.

Sacred Concert Over WKBG Enjoyed By Alkrama Crowd And Radio Fans At Home

Elizabeth City Now on Radio Map. Telephone Messages of Appreciation Constantly Come In

RADIO EDITOR THE DAILY ADVANCE

I desire to broadcast from Radio Station WKBG some time during the week of August 22 from the Alkrama Theatre.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Clip and mail this coupon to Radio Editor, The Daily Advance, Elizabeth City, N. C., who will arrange for your appearance on the air.



16 Years

PROGRAM TONIGHT

The Daily Advance Station WKBG Will Present Local Talent Each Evening on the Air.

From 8:30 to 9:15 and from 10:30—until, radio fans may get a new thrill at the Alkrama tonight, seeing their own local musicians, dancers, singers, and speakers, perform before the "mike."

Judge J. B. Leigh will formally open The Daily Advance Station WKBG at 8:30, and a program of amazing variety will follow.

Jack Hundley, baritone, will sing again. Bobbie Fearing will play his violin. The Carolina Tamblers, white orchestra will play. There will be dancing, and the "mike" will be set down on the floor so that Elizabeth City feet may fly over the air. What a thrill for everybody, performers and audience. And what pride in Home Town talent.

Last but not least will be a special number entitled "Elizabeth City Hot Stuff" by the "Big Four" colored musicians.

Elizabeth City is on the radio map. It found itself there Sunday night when The Daily Advance Station WKBG, broadcasting from the Alkrama Theatre at 9:30 o'clock, gave radio fans a new thrill.

And while the program went on and went over on the stage of the theatre, the telephone in the Alkrama office rang constantly with expressions of appreciation coming over the wire.

"Coming in fine. Keep it up," these messages all said in substance.

The program was excellent. Hymns by the combined choirs of the city churches, the invocation by Dr. F. S. Love, pastor of the First Methodist Church, a brief talk by Dr. G. W. Clarke of Lake Charles, Louisiana, and the closing prayer by Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor of City Road Church.

Unger G. Davis at the piano and Bobby Fearing with his violin accompaniment added greatly to the enjoyment of the musical numbers, while a sacred solo by Jack Hundley, baritone, "Open the Gates of the Temple" was particularly impressive.

Quite a crowd gathered in the Alkrama Theatre to hear the legal musicians and speakers do their bit before the microphone.

Sidney Shepard, radio announcer, publicly thanked Dr. Love and Mr. Davis for their kindness and care in arranging the program on short notice, so that the plan of broadcasting from the Alkrama each evening this week could be tried out.

The program will be interesting and varied this week. Those who have always wanted to get on the air now have their chance.

By notifying the radio editor of The Daily Advance on the coupon which appears in this newspaper and stating their specialty, whether singing, playing, or speaking, they may have their opportunity to appear on the radio programs from The Daily Advance Station WKBG, broadcasting from the Alkrama Theatre each night at about 8:30 and 10:30.

In all 27 calls were received over the telephone announcing how the program was coming in over receiving sets in Elizabeth City.

"The Daily Advance Station WKBG on Atwater Kent coming better than WJZ" was the report of Sidney G. Etheridge from Church street. "Program coming in so good that we run the dial from 6 to 5," was the report of M. S. Bulla from the Elizabeth City Hospital. "Can hear Mr. Love praying best we ever heard over radio in Elizabeth City," was the report of L. R. Foreman from West Main street. Others calling the station telephone to express appreciation were: Mrs. Aubrey McCabe, Elm street; Albert Kramer, Main street; Dr. W. W. Sawyer, Road street; Mrs. Constant Fearing, Ehring street; Marvin Williams, Road street; Rev. Edwin Simpson, Dyer street; J. B. Anderson, Parsonage street; Major Morrisette, Road street; Oscar Owens, Burgess street; G. T. Bailey, Fearing street; Mrs. John Anderson, Parsonage street; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wells, Parsonage street; John Hinch, Selden street; Leland Hundley, Fearing street; Mrs. C. W. Ward, Road street; Martin Jennings, Loenest street; Cecil Bell, Pearl street.

Shoots Brother In Quarrel Over Fence

Winston-Salem, August 22—(AP)—A report from the Piney Creek section of Ashe county, is to the effect that Robert Parsons shot his brother Jessie Parsons, the shooting taking place as a result over a controversy as to where the fence to the family cemetery should be placed.

One of the brothers wanted the fence located at one place and the other at another, and as a result of the controversy Robert Parsons shot his gun and fired several shots at Jess, one shot taking effect in the leg. It is not thought that the wounded man is seriously injured.

Carolina City Has Its Mrs. Snyder And Judd Gray

Greenville, S. C., Aug. 22—(AP)—Immediate arraignment of Mrs. Ethel Willis, 31, and Henry Townsend, former deputy sheriff, charged with slaying Sheriff Sam D. Willis, husband of Mrs. Willis, at their home on June 11, will be asked by Solicitor J. G. Leatherwood if he can obtain indictments against the pair from the county grand jury today.

The solicitor said he would present the case to the jury today, asking indictment and arraignment at once, if the bills are returned. Under the South Carolina law, the defendants must plead "not guilty." They have the right to demand the lapse of three days after arraignment before trial.

Townsend, who was chief deputy under Sheriff Willis and his "buddy" during the world war, was arrested in connection with the shooting three days after the incident, while at the Willis home. A few days later Mrs. Willis was arrested, both being released on \$3,000 bond each. The sheriff was shot while leaving his garage.

Lita Gray Chaplin Is Granted Divorce

Los Angeles, August 22—(AP)—Lita Gray Chaplin was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from Charles Spencer Chaplin after brief testimony in Superior Court here today to establish a routine charge of cruelty.