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Five Sections

# J. E. TAYLOR, CHIEF OF POLICE KILLED BY J. W. PEACOCK

# THOMASVILLE OFFICER SHOT DOWN ON STREET BY PROMINENT DOCTOR

Henry Shaver, Mechanic, Is Seriously Wounded.

THOMASVILLE IS DAZED

Four Bullets From German Automatic Luger Enter Breast and Head Of Taylor.

BACKGROUND TO TRAGEDY

Paylor Central Figure Of Long and Bit-ter Factional Fight—Peacock's Barn Burned Saturday Moralag—Tay-lor Is Accused Of Doing It. By E. B. HUNTER.

Thomasville, April 16 .- John E. Taylor, chief of police of Thomasville, and and ex-service man, was shot and almost instanly killed, and Henry Shaver, a mechanic in a local furniture factory, was seriously wounded here this morning about 9:30 o'clock by Dr. J. morning about 9:30 o'clock by Dr. J. W. Peacock, of Thomasville, one of the most prominent physicians in Dayldson county, and until about two weeks ago a member of the city council. Mr. Shaver, who was assisting the chief, was shot accidentally. The immediate cause of the shooting is said to be ill feeling which has existed between the physician and chief for sometime. This morning about 2:30 o'clock Dr. Peacock's harn was burned and he is said to have placed the blame on Chief Taylor.

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The shooting was one of the most brotal and cold-blooded murders ever committed in Davidson county and has transformed the little town of Thomasville into a complete dase. Dr. Peacock was arrested shortly after the tragedy and taken to Lexington, where he was lodged in jail. Mr. Shaver was taken to High Point, where he was placed in a hospital. He was shot in the abdomen and the outcome is yet in doubt. Hospital authorities stated last night that while his condition was serious he had a fighting chance. Policeman D. J. Lamb, who made the arrest, stated that Dr. Peacock while en route to Lexington expressed deep regret over the shooting of Mr. Shaver, but was satisfied with the killing of Chief Taylor, declaring that he had seen Taylor Friday evening viewing the premises around the barn and that he was satisfied he (the chief) was directly responsible for the configuration, which resulted in 1990 damages.

The Manner of the Shooting.

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From his office on the second floor of a building on Salem street Dr. Peacock fired two shots from a shotgain at Chief Taylor, who was standing obliquely across the street, about 75 fleet away. The first load struck the chief in the face and on the upper part of the chest. Eye witnesses stated that he threw up his hands and screamed "Oh!" and turned. As he turned a second blast struck him on the right shoulder and back. These two shots, shoulder and back. These two shots, shoulder and back. These two shots, according to physicians who performed the autopsy, would not necessarily have caused immediate death. But Dr. Peacock rushed from his office down to the street. By this time the wounded policeman had entered T. A. Peacock rushed from his office down to the street. By this time the wounded policeman had entered T. A. Peacock rushed from his office down to the street. By this time the wounded policeman had entered T. A. Peacock rushed from his office down to the street. By this time the wounded policeman had entered T. A. Peacock, with a new weapon, a German street which felt the effect of the storm, no fatalities were reported to the street which felt the effect of the storm, no fatalities were reported to the street and opened cock, with a new weapon, a German cation only fragmentary reports have The Manner of the Shooting. cock, with a new weapon, a German Luger automatic, entered and opened are. It was the bullets from this victors Teutonic pistol that caused death. An examination of the body disclosed the fact that two bullets entered the left content with what he had done nose, both burying themselves in

After committing the terrible trag-After committing the terrible trag-city Dr. Peacock, calm but pale, walk-ed back across the street, with his shoking revolver, into the Thomasville Drug store. A little while later he was accompanied home by a few frienda. Policeman Lamb, who made the arrest, stated that the physician offered no resistance, but gave himself up de-liberately.

uring the shooting everyone in close

the autopsy disclosed four pistol

Shot As He Talked With Friend, Chief Taylor was shot while conversing with Andrew Varner. Varner. I distinguished service man of the world war, stated that Taylor, who served in the navy during war, had saked him to don his uniform and turn out Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral services of Hamit Harris, the first Thomasyllic man to make the Thomasville man to make the

Coroner H. F. Hulins, of Davidson county, arrived and summoned a jury. Composed of F. B. Harmon, R. O. Kirk-Batt. J. E. Lambeth, R. L. Harville, T. Feesor, A. C. Eskridge. Drs. J. A. Feesor, A. C. Eskridge. Drs. J. A.

nes with a pistol at the hand

The first witness examined was J. A. Merrin, who stated that he was stand-but in front of the

the Chief Taylor turn toware reactions for throwing his hand to his chest and hollowing "Oh!"

Did you see Chief Taylor in the store asked M H Stone attorney and Ederman, conducting the examination.

hat position was he lying in!" (Continued on Page Twelve)

Noted Tenor Caruso Nearly Well Again



# STORM SWEEPS OVER 5

heavily wooded section of Miller and Hempstead counties.

In the vicinity of Hope, Hempstead county, the list of reported dead tonight had reached 29. Fifteen others were said to have lost their lives in the vicinity of the town of Prescott, and a like number north of Texarkans. One fatality was reported in Yell county.

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As to the charge that America was wasteful in making contracts, such as wasteful in making contracts, such as wasteful in making contracts, such as

ported to have been kitted and three others lost their lives in the town of Raiph, in Tuscaloosa county.

In Birmingham 10 persons were injured, and a hundred homes in the northern and eastern suburbs of that city were damaged. The property damage there was estimated at \$30,000.

In Memphis a torrestial rainstone. In Memphis a torrential rainstorn

(Continued on Page Four.)

Forecast By States.

Washington, April 16 -- Virginia and
North Carolina: Rain and colder Sunday, much colder by Sunday night,
Monday fair and continued cold, fresh
to strong southwest shifting to north-

Oklahoma: Sunday fair, not so cold earmer. East Texas: Sunday fair, colder in cast pertion. Monday fair, warmer, the sair More sales tweet Texas Sunday and Monday ing recorded at fair, rising temperature.

### A NEW DRIVE AGAINST RELIGION IS STARTED BY THE RUSSIAN REDS

Priests Persecuted.

ed On Church Doors, Says There Is No God.

They Are Either Imprisoned, Shot Or Held As Hostages and Sometimes They Are Tried On Charges Of "Witchcraft,"

Special Cable to Daily News. By B. F. KOSPOTH.

(Copyright, 1921, by Philadelphia Public Ledger. Geneva, April 16.—A new red cam-paign against religion has been start-ed by the soviet government in accord-ance with instructions issued by the central committee of the communist party reminding its members that the communist program obliges them to carry on an active propaganda against

to gradually undermine the Russian people's inherent reverence for houses of worship. Red horsomen are ordered to ride about in the streets conspicuously attired in silk shirts made of precious altar cioths or priests' mass robes, embroidered with crosses and other religious insignia.

Clergymen Being Hunted.

STATES, 75 ARE DEAD

In all parts of soviet Russia Orthodox and Roman Catholic blahops and dox and Roman Catholic blahops and priests as well as protestant pantors are once more being hunted. They are imprisoned, shot or held as hosting. The Property Damage Will Run Into the Millions.

ARKANSAS IS HIT WORST

Fifty Persons Are Reported Killed in Hempstead and Miller Counties.

TEN KILLED IN ALABAMA

Relief Parties Continue Their Search and Complete List of Dead is Not Yot Known—Storm Started In Northeast Texas.

Memphis, Tenn., April 16.—Seventy-five persons dead, several hundred in-hills with a least on the source of a search rocesting the price of the confiscated as a more persons dead, several hundred in-hills which was made in the clust place of operation immediately ordered it to be confiscated to the most provided as a least be regarded as a least the place get \$100 each, Mrs. Fannle Forbis, \$200, and small bequeats totaling appears to the Ross farms. The remainder of the search as well as protestant pantors. How should be should a host.

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Memphis, Tenn., April 16.—Seventy the persons dead, several hundred injured and property damage roughly designed and the millions made the toll of a series of tornadoes which broke late yesterday in northeast Texas and the Bible was saved, but it was swept eastward loday over sections of five states into Georgia.

Arkansas, with 50 persons reported killed in Hempstead and Miller counties.

CHARGES AGAINST AMERICA MADE BY PRENCH DEPUTIES

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Asseled Cable to Daily Next.

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Parin, April 16.—The instruction
made last night in the chamber of
deputies concerning shortages in the Owing to interrupted wire communication only fragmentary reports have been received thus far from the sections reported to have suffered the greatest loss of life and property.

Relief parties tonight still were searching the storm awant areas were searching the storm awant areas. greatest loss of life and property.
Relief parties tonight still were searching the storm swept areas and until they report the complete death list will not be known.
The storm apparently broke in Smith county. Texas, swept sections of Good. Gregg, Casewan and Bowie counties and passed into Miller and Hempstead counties, Arkansax, where the reported death list tonight had reached 50. Six of the seven persons killed in Texas were sampaign as well as military campaign need not be taken too seriously once the facility ones, it may be recalled that ever since the sale the French themselves in various press campaigns have attacked the government for the scandalous fashion in which the stocks were exploited by profiteers and left unguarded in such a fashion that anyone might have the reported death list tonight had reached 50. Six of the seven persons killed in Texas well as well as military campaign need not be taken too seriously once the factor of seriously once the factor goods" that seem so greatly to agitate the deputies, it may be recalled that ever since the sale the French themselves in various press campaigns have attacked the government for the scandalous fashion in which the stocks were exploited by profiteers and left unguarded in such a fashion that anyone might have a text of the seven persons killed in Texas well as military county once the factor of the seven in the second of the seven death list tonight had reached to seven death list tonight had reached the seven death list tonight had reached the seven death list tonight had reached the seven death list t of the seven persons killed in Texas did. The Matin especially printed countries were crushed to death when their homes in the village of Avinger were wrecked. Another death was reported at Atlanta, Texas.

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Crossing into Arkansas, the storm as the city of Texarkana and cut tended to wage a commercial came a swath a half mile wide through a heavily wooded section of Miller and supplies were not at all excessive for

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As to the charge that America was Five persons were reported killed at Steen, a small town near Columbus, in castern Mississippi, and one at Sontag. It miles east of Brookhaven.

Leaving Mississippi the storm awooped down again in northern Alamawooped down again in northern Alamawooped down again in northern Alamawooped to have been killed and three ported to have been killed and three potters lost their lives in the town of cheaper than in America So of course the story of the

(Special to Daily News )
Ridge, April 16,-On Wednesday Oak Ridge, April 18.—On Wednesday Fublic health service, following charges o'clock dinner. The honor guest was mr. Brown, of Ohio, father of Mrs. J. Gilmer Korner. Jr. Covers were laid for eight. These included Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilmer Korner, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilmer Korner, Jr., Mr. Brown, of Ohio, are of a personal nature, or at least-fed. Since the convent of the hospital here against the officer, which it is learned, are of a personal nature, or at least-fed. Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Donnell gave a 6 o'clock dinner. The honor guest was Mr. Brown, of Ohio, father of Mrs. J.

Gillmer Korner, Jr., Mr. Brown, of Ohlo, are of a personal nature, or at leastMiss Noile Johnson.

Again on Friday evening Mr. and
Mrs. Donnell entertained the faculty
of Oak Ridge institute at their home,
i.og.holme, in compliment to Mr. and
Mrs. Wade S Dunbar, Prof. and Mrs.
Capps and the Misses Maury, of Danville, Va.

Mrs. Water has been reached.

Mrs. Capple and the Misses Maury of Danville, Va.

pry Goods Market.

New York, April 16.—Cotton goods and yarns were firmer. Burlaps were easy. More sales of underwear are belower prices. Hosiery

# WILL OF MISS MAGGIE ROSS DECLARED VALID

Churches Are Desecrated and Decides Against the Caveators On Every Issue.

GOVERNMENT'S ORDER GIVE NOTICE OF APPEAL Reds' Profession Of Faith, Tack- Court Refuses To Grant Request Of Caveators To Set Aside the Verdict.

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Nominations Of W. L. McMenimen, Samuel Higgins and Ex-Gover-

nor Hooper Sent to Senate.

who swore that he saw one of the offisworten, and the French Broad and
Swannapoa rivers are raging tonight.
Although it is believed that the peak
of the high waters has been reached.
Many smaller streams are out of their
banks and still rising, although little
damage has been done.
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# Three Tar Heels Urged For Pritchard Vacancy

Indorsements In Behalf Of Judge Bynum, Judge Connor and J. J Britt Are Reaching the White House-Stedman Will Suggest the Greensboro Jurist To President Harding-Daniels Is Honored By Men Of Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Daily News Bureau and Telegraph Office.
The Riggs Building (By Leased wire)
By THEODORE TILLER.

in several states in behalf of the educational "drive" of the Methodist Episcopal church, south. Air Daniels was
invited to appear before the National
Sunday School club. of which he is a
member, and there he found assembled
a large delegation of men from the
Philadelphia yard, members of the
North Carolina Celegation in the house
and a number of naval officers. The
delegation presented the bronze ship's
bell clock which stood on the desk of
Secretary Daniels the eight years he
was secretary of the navy.

Edward E. Britton, of North Carolina, formerly secretary to Mr. Daniels,
had arranged for the acquisition of the
bell by the Philadelphia delegation.

The clock, which has been purchased Washington, April 16 .- An energeth ontest is under way for the appointment of a circuit court judge to suc-Numerous Bequests Made To Churches and Schools But Terms of Will Give Larger Part of Estate
To Three Negroes.

Hent of a circuit court judge to success Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, of the fourth circuit, and the line-up today shows that at least three North Carolinians will have their claims considfourth circuit, and the line-up today shows that at least three North Caro-linians will have their claims consid-

Calling Off Of Transport Workers' Strike.

All Labor Quarters Excited Over Miss Rena Herman, Of Danville, Writes Note To Parents Then Uses Pistol.

COUNTRY MORE HOPEFUL WAS PROMINENT SOCIALLY

London, April '16 .- (By Associated Danville, Va., April 16.-Miss Rena the strike in the coal mines, and the Herman, second eldest daughter of Mr. possibility that work in the pitis will and Mrs. L. Herman, committed suinot be resumed for several days at cide at her home on West Main street

Unofficial Reports Reaching Kaleigh Are Of Two Kinds. GOT NO MONEY, SAYS ONE

Another Is They Received As-surance Of All the Money the State Needs.

MUST DECIDE ON A RATE

This Is a Question For the State Coun-cil To Consider Monday—Con-nor Has No Chance Of Got-ting Pritchard's Place.

Samed Highs and Bic-Green or the Sanck.

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