

Germans Blame French For Tragedy at Krupp

Special Writer Says Large Number of Germans Disconcerted the French, Who Fired Without Reason.

KRUPP DIRECTORS NOT RESPONSIBLE

Says Director General of Works, Who Also Blames the French—Nine Were Killed in Disturbance.

Paris, April 2 (By the Associated Press).—Solidarity of the Krupp plant at Essen, last Saturday, which resulted in the death of nine persons and the wounding of 21 others, says that for several weeks past the walls and workshops of the plant had been covered with German nationalist placards.

Immediately on learning of the arrival of the French troops at the works, a number of nationalist agitators tried to allow any soldiers to leave the plant alone. When members of the workers' committee had been deliberating left the employees, had they found themselves in the presence of a compact crowd led by enraged nationalists including numerous students, who were shouting "Down With France."

The German correspondents telegraphed that the French were responsible for the tragedy, asserting that the military, apparently disconcerted at the number of men called into the yard by the blowing of the street, began firing.

Says Directors Not to Blame. Essen, April 2 (By the Associated Press).—Her Shaffer, director general of the Krupp plant, asserts that the four directors arrested yesterday on charges of inciting last Saturday's shooting, were in no way responsible for the trouble.

The French allege that the blowing of the streets at the works, which excited the men, could have been stopped by the officials, even if they had not ordered the signals. Her Shaffer points out it is customary for the men to be allowed to leave the plant at will when there is danger of any kind.

Explains Losses. Berlin, April 2 (By the Associated Press).—When Germany's total losses due to the execution of the peace treaty were recently estimated officially as equal to more than 50,000,000,000 gold marks, she was accused in some circles abroad of erroneously and dishonorably including certain calculations, and these criticisms have brought a reply from Herr Schroeder, under secretary of the finance minister, justifying the computations.

The under secretary emphasized in a statement just made public today that there has been no confusion of national losses suffered through the treaty stipulations with such as currency payments for outright deliveries to the allies, but that Germany was justified in including the former in her treaty debit column, since these were the outcome of conditions imposed by the allies.

Ten Story Masonic Temple in Danville.

Danville, Va., April 2.—Danville's ten story Masonic Temple and office building, which has been in the course of construction for the past two years, now is near completion and is being occupied. The structure is of reinforced concrete and terra cotta facing and represents an investment of \$500,000. It was built to replace the temple destroyed by fire three years ago. There are six grand floor stores in the building, 180 offices, the two top floors being reserved for Masonic quarters. In order to build the structure, the Masonic Building Corporation was organized as a holding company.

The first known log house, built by white men within the bounds of what is now Colorado, was erected in 1816, for a troop of Spanish cavalry entering the Arkansas, near the site of Pueblo.

THREE MEN OFF OF SIX MEN IN CHURCH

Abuse Took Place in Bellevue Methodist Church in Pittsburgh at Service Yesterday.

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 2.—Elmer L. Kidney, a lawyer, who yesterday took the men from half a dozen hooded men in the Bellevue Methodist Episcopal Church, today refused to discuss the incident other than to say he had done what he could to prevent it.

The Rev. Dr. R. B. Fray, who was in the pulpit at the church in the midst of Easter morning services when the men entered, said he would have nothing more to do with the matter. Any action Mr. Kidney may take will be for himself and not for the church.

It was stated last night that the attention of the District Attorney's office would be called to the matter with a view to prosecution under the law prohibiting disturbance of religious meetings.

District Attorney R. H. Gardner said no complaint had been made in him concerning the visit of the hooded men to the church.

"I know nothing about it except what I have seen in the newspapers," said Mr. Gardner. "Disturbing a religious meeting is an indictable offense, but from reports there seems to have been no disturbance with the church, and these hooded men offered no resistance."

Attorney Kidney is prominent in the church work in Bellevue, and is the son of a Methodist Episcopal preacher.

"I don't want to talk about this," said Mr. Kidney. "As a lawyer you can well understand that I do not care to make my plans public just now."

"I have already heard from the Klan and they charge me with being the cause of the disturbance. If they had not come to the church masked as they were there would have been no disturbance, and at that, the disturbance was outside the church. There I succeeded in getting two white hoods and one gun, and the license number of the automobiles in which the men traveled."

"There was three of them, and I have already named the names of the occupants of the highway department in charge. I am sure you will tell me who they are, but I can tell you that not one of them is a member of the Bellevue church."

Klonekers Ordered Out of Pittsburgh Church.

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 1.—Six members of a band of 16 white-hooded Klonekers were shown of their masks in a sermon after they had been ordered from Bellevue Methodist Episcopal church by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Army, this morning.

The Easter services had just begun when the 16 white-robed figures entered and walked down an aisle toward the pulpit. They were stopped by Elmer L. Kidney, attorney, and member of the church board.

The Easter morning worshippers were startled when Mr. Kidney commanded the members of the masked band to leave.

At this point Dr. Army intervened: "Gentlemen," he said, "I shall have to ask you to retire. You are disturbing the services here, which is a violation of the law. You will be welcome to remain if you remove your disguises. Otherwise you must go."

The hooded men about faced and marched silently from the church, followed by a number of men from the congregation. Outside the church a general scuffle ensued and the hoods and flowing white robes of six of the band were torn away, revealing their identity. Before they left, in automobiles parked near by, the license numbers of their cars were obtained.

Rev. Mr. McKinnon Dies From Poisoning.

Butherfordton, March 31.—Rev. John F. McKinnon, well known Presbyterian pastor, minister, educator and friend of all, died at the Butherford hospital last night at 11 o'clock from ptomaine poisoning which he received March 22 from eating ice cream. It is not known just how the poison came about.

TWO RALEIGH BOYS KILLED WHEN TWO CARS RAN TOGETHER

William Taylor and Robert Chappell Received Fatal Injuries and Six Other Persons Were Injured.

MOORESVILLE BOY AMONG INJURED

Naylor Was Thrown 20 Feet in Smash and Died Instantly—Cause of the Accident Is Not Stated.

Raleigh, April 2.—Wm. Taylor and Robert Chappell, both of Raleigh, are dead, and six other boys are injured, as a result of a collision of two automobiles here, early today.

Naylor was killed instantly, and Chappell died after being removed to a hospital. Hospital authorities stated that Bud Babin, of Mooresville, a North Carolina State College student, whose injuries at first had been reported slight, had been removed to the hospital in a serious condition.

L. A. Bellme, president of a Clinton bank, driving a large car, collided at Park Drive and Hillsboro street with a smaller car driven by Chappell. The latter's car, it is stated, was practically demolished, landing bottom up several feet from the point of the collision.

Naylor was riding in the rear seat of Bellme's car. He was thrown clear of the wreck 20 feet beyond. He was dead when picked up. Chappell was riding alone in his car. Most of the injured are members of a local amateur orchestra.

Bill Bellme, driver of the automobile in the collision with Chappell's car, was arrested when discharged from the hospital later, on a charge of manslaughter. He was released on \$1,000 bond signed by his father, L. A. Bellme, president of the Clinton bank. Hearing was set for April 17th in city court.

POLICE ARE STEERING ALLEGED KIDNAPERS

Six Men Are Already Under Arrest And a Number of Others Are Wanted in Alabama.

Birmingham, Ala., April 2.—With six men in custody, federal and state authorities today continued their efforts to round up the remaining number of men charged with participation in the kidnaping and holding of Dr. J. W. Dowling, city and county health officer, on May 15th.

At least four other men are under suspicion as a result of a statement authorities said had been made to them by C. W. Tyson, one of the six men under arrest.

Tyson was quoted by officers as having made a clean breast of the affair.

Another Body is Recovered.

Hartford, Conn., April 2.—Another body was taken this morning from the wreckage of the Fuller Brush Company tower, which collapsed Saturday, making eight known dead.

It is believed at least one more body is under the mass of steel and concrete.

Charged With Tampering With Jury.

Waukegan, Ill., April 2.—By the Associated Press.—J. D. Fields, a juror in the trial and acquittal of Governor Len Small last year, Edward Kaufman and Edward Courtney, both of Chicago, were named in indictments returned today, as a result of the grand jury investigation of charges of tampering with the Small jury.

Now the Electric Policeman.

The Hague, April 2.—The authorities of the Hague have adopted an electric device for illuminating the hand of a policeman's central ring traffic light at night. It consists of a white glove with four small electric lamps, which are lit by pressing together contacts fixed to the thumb and forefinger. The current is supplied by two small accumulators.

"AMERICAN INDIVIDUALISM"

Series of Articles by Herbert Hoover.

The Tribune has secured the right to publish a series of articles by Secretary Herbert Hoover on "American Individualism." The New York Times, in devoting the entire front page of its Book Review section of November 17, 1922, to Secretary Hoover's volume, led with the following: "This little book deserves to rank, and doubtless will rank, among the few great formulations of American political thought. It bears much the same relation to the problems of the present and the future that the essays of Hamilton, Madison, Jay and Noah Webster bear to the problems that occupied many minds upon the Constitution's adoption." It was that sentiment which first directed our attention to the book and caused us, after a long time, to acquire the exclusive paper publication rights from Doubleday, Page & Co., publishers. So modestly, specifically and exactly does it sum up the impressions made upon us by the book, that we feel there is little more to add. In expression not always so precise and fluent as a professional writer would have made it, "American Individualism" nevertheless is plain and easily within the compass of the average reader; while, with profound thinking and practically unanswerable logic, it pines a new and instructive construction on our American political system—our American political theory. A timely message to the people of this nation, we feel that it speaks the voice of America's higher self, and for that reason should be read, through the medium of the newspaper, as often as in the hand. Note that the six installments deal with American individualism, its philosophical, spiritual, economic and political phases, and close with an inspiring announcement as to the future. The first of these articles appears in The Tribune today.

SOUTHERN MAY PUT MAIL TRUCK ROBBED IN ST. LOUIS TODAY

Between New York and New Orleans—To Retain All Present Trains, Associated Press Dispatch Says.

Danville, Va., April 2.—The Southern Railway is considering operating two daily freight express trains between New York and New Orleans, it was stated by company officials here.

It was said, however, that nothing definite has been decided and indicated that should the two trains be added, an announcement would be made in Washington.

The plan, it is understood, provides for the trains to leave New York and New Orleans simultaneously every morning. These could be the fastest on the road and their speed would entail the journey between these points. The proposed trains, according to information here, would not result in the elimination of any other train of the system.

Robbers Locked Driver and Messenger in Cage of the Truck and Escaped With Registered Mail.

St. Louis, April 2.—Five or six men armed with sawed-off shot guns this morning held up a mail truck in the business section of the city, took a quantity of mail, including one pouch of registered mail, locked the driver and a messenger in the cage of the truck and escaped.

The truck was on its way from the main post-office to a sub station. The holdup occurred in the heart of the stock brokerage district. Postoffice inspectors said they would be unable to estimate the value of the stolen pouches until a check had been made. It was said there was no big haul of mail in the load.

MASS MEETING HELD IN CHINA GROVE

Citizens Nominate Men for Mayor and Aldermen.

China Grove, N. C., April 2.—Citizens for mayor and board of aldermen were made last night at an enthusiastic meeting of citizens held in the schoolhouse. Two nominated for mayor are A. A. Hurley and James N. Daywalt.

For aldermen, J. E. Thompson, P. A. Eubank, W. L. Cooper, W. R. Aest, George Albrecht, R. F. Saffir, W. J. Siskin, K. A. Shinn, P. C. Boyer and H. J. Edmonds.

Five of this number will be chosen at the May election, in addition to the mayor. Interest in this community is keen and a lively political campaign is anticipated.

A. A. Hurley and James N. Daywalt are both leading citizens of China Grove and a close race is anticipated.

STATE FAIR WANTS TO CUT DOWN ITS EXPENSES

Methods by Which This Can Be Done Being Discussed at Meeting in Raleigh.

Raleigh, April 2.—Methods of reducing operating expenses were being the attention of the North Carolina Agricultural Society through which the State Fair is directed, in session here today. Joseph Hyde Pratt, vice president, presided over the meeting in the absence of Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, who is in Europe.

A deficit was reported following the holding of last year's fair, but financial arrangements have been completed to continue the exposition this summer. The Raleigh City Commissioner Saturday approved a mortgage of the society of fair grounds in order that the organization might secure a loan of \$22,500.

Children patients at the Niantic, Connecticut, tubercular sanitarium, go practically naked the year around. Nothing so quickly destroys the tubercle bacilli as the rays of the sun.

OFFICERS ARE NOW SEEKING WOMAN TO SOLVE MURDER CASE

New York Officers Admit That Woman is Now Central Figure in the Dorothy Keenan Case.

WOMAN HAS BEEN TRAILED FOR DAYS

In Hope That She Would Try to Dispose of Some of the Jewels Stolen From Murdered Model.

New York, April 2.—A woman now is the newest central figure in police pursuit of clues to a solution of the mysterious murder of Dorothy Keenan, who was chloroformed to death a score of days ago.

It was learned today that the police had for some time been trailing the sweetheart of a man who for several days had been under suspicion, chiefly because he had been unable to account for his actions for the hours between midnight preceding the murder, and 8 o'clock the next morning.

The woman, they said, was being trailed in the hope that she might attempt to dispose of some of the jewels or other articles that were stolen from the model's West 57th street apartment. She already had been interviewed by the police, having provided the suspected man with an alibi for the hours before and after the murder with the exception of the eight that still remain unexplained.

STRECKER WILL NOT BE HEARD IN THIS STATE

American Legion Says He Spreads German Propaganda Under Guise of "Dry" Speaker.

Greensboro, April 2.—Mr. Reinhardt Strecker, antisocial league speaker, and alleged German propagandist, will deliver no addresses in this state, although he was originally scheduled to speak at several points in the western part of the state. Protests of members of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion to the headquarters of the Association resulted in the cancellation of Strecker's states after the Superintendent had refused to act.

It is alleged by Legionnaires that under the guise of delivering "dry" addresses, Strecker had really been sowing German propaganda. The Post at Spring Hope first took up the fight and the executive committee men of the Legion, meeting here Saturday, endorsed what Commander Lockhart and National Committeeman Gale Burgess had done to prevent Strecker's appearance in the state.

Privates Who Steal Fashions.

Paris, April 2.—Large dressmaking establishments in Paris suffer a great deal owing to the stealing of their most exclusive designs by fashion "pirates." Now the courts have decreed that original dress models are to be considered as works of art and protected from the illicit piracy of the past by the imposition upon transgressors of heavy fines and damages.

The dressmakers have taken all kinds of precautions to prevent any of these "pirates" appearing at the fashion shows. They insist on customers showing their cards and proving their credit is generally—yet the stealing still continues. Many of the thieves, subtle and clever forgers, take quite humble positions—workers in the different sections. Here they have every opportunity of observing closely the newest and most original "creations." They are men and women of trained wits and superb memory.

Real constructors are the latest fashion pets for women in London and Paris. The snakes are caught on the shores of the Amazon and placed in perforated zinc boxes fitted with tanks. American bull snakes are very popular also.

Blairs Entertain for Daughter at a Dinner.

Washington, April 1.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue and Mrs. David H. Blair entertained at a dinner Monday last evening at the Waldorf Hotel for the latter's daughter, Miss Adelaide Douglas, who is home from school for the holidays.

The guests were Miss Barbara Stunfield, the Misses Catherine and Eleanor Houston, Miss Bertha Cozzatt, Miss Betty Bryant, Miss Slippman, Helmeck, Norbous and Cozzatt, Thomas Fensters, Beverly Jefferson, Nelson Waller, Clifford and William Morris.

FIRST CANDIDATES ARE ANNOUNCED NOW

J. O. Moose is Seeking Nomination for Mayor and Four Others Are Candidates For Aldermen.

ALL CANDIDATES ARE DEMOCRATS

J. T. Sapp, R. C. Litaker, John L. Petrea and Julius F. Fisher Want to Be on Aldermanic Board.

With formal announcements from five candidates who seek city offices at the hands of the voters of this city, plans for an active campaign prior to the city election to be held here on May 20th took more definite form today. Four of the men who announced their candidacies today seek to be aldermen and the fifth wants to be the Mayor.

J. O. Moose, long a leader and worker in the Democratic party, announces himself as a candidate for mayor. Jno. L. Petrea seeks the nomination from the Democrats as alderman from Ward 1. Julius F. Fisher wants to be alderman from Ward 2. R. C. Litaker seeks the nomination for alderman from Ward 4, and J. T. Sapp is seeking the nomination of alderman at large.

These are the first formal announcements made, and all of the candidates are Democrats, who seek the support of these voters who take part in the Democratic primary next Saturday, April 7th.

A close friend of Mayor Womble announced several days ago that Mr. Womble would be a candidate again this year, but so far he has made no statement one way or the other. It is generally believed, however, that he will make the race again.

The list of men seeking places on the aldermanic board does not include a single alderman. While one or two members of the board have declared they would not run again this year, others are expected to make the race, although they have made no statements and have issued no formal announcements.

Three of the men whose candidacies were announced today have held no public office in this county. Messrs. Petrea, Fisher and Litaker, Mr. Sapp has served as a member of the board of aldermen and Mr. Moose was deputy sheriff of this county for a number of years. He has held no city office, however.

Other announcements will be made either tomorrow or Wednesday, it is believed.

Miss Adelaide Caldwell Joins the Observer Staff.

Charlotte, March 31.—An interesting change in local newspaper circles became effective today. Mrs. Margaret Kelly Albrecht, society editor of The Charlotte Observer for 12 years, resigned and will be succeeded by Miss Adelaide Peterson Caldwell, daughter of the late J. P. Caldwell, and Mrs. Caldwell. Miss Caldwell will enter upon her new duties Monday. Mrs. Albrecht will be associated in the real estate business with W. E. Thomas. Miss Caldwell has been society editor of The Charlotte News for two years. Succeeding Miss Caldwell will be Miss Annie Miller, of The Cleveland Star.

CASTLES OF Great Strength
YEARS ago men built tall castles, surrounded them with mote and drawbridge, and felt themselves protected and secure.
The feudal castles of old were not more stalwart than is this bank—a modern stronghold in which to safeguard your money, your valuables and your credit!
The CITIZENS BANK and TRUST Company
CONCORD, NORTH CAROLINA.

SEVEN HOME REASONS.
We Will Loan You Money to Help You Buy Your Own Home.
You Will Have Six and one-third years to Pay Us Back, or You Can Do So Sooner if You Desire.
1. Home ownership betters your credit and business standing.
2. When you own your home every cent invested in improvement increases the value of the property to YOU.
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5th Series Is Now Open. Loans Made Promptly.
Cabarrus County Building Loan and Savings Association
OFFICE IN CONCORD NATIONAL BANK.

A Great Violin Maker.
London, April 2.—A great honor has been done to an English violin maker, who has been awarded a prize for making an instrument said to have a better tone than a Stradivarius when the two competed in a public exhibition. He is Arthur Vincent, and it is his boast that he has worked sixteen hours a day for twenty years. Every morning he sounds in his workshop, carving out violins. Then at night he becomes the leading of the orchestra at one of the London theaters. Mr. Vincent's father was a violin maker, and he was told as a boy that if he wanted an instrument he would have to make it himself.
Several skeletons of prehistoric beings estimated to be from 1,000 to 2,500 years old have been unearthed in the Ozark region of Missouri. These people were cliff dwellers but they should not be confused with the cliff dwellers who lived high up on the faces of cliffs in Arizona and New Mexico. Many crude weapons and implements were found perfectly preserved in the dry soil under the overhanging cliffs.