

Sacco And Vanzetti In Tirades Following New Sentences For Murders

Tell Judge Who Sentenced Them to Die That They Have Not Been Given Square Deal.

BOTH ADDRESS JUDGE THAYER

Sacco Says He Has Been Persecuted Because He Is in Oppressed Class.—Will Die Early in July.

Dedham, Mass., April 9.—(AP)—Sentence to death in the electric chair during the week of July 10 was imposed upon Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, whose fight for a new trial after their conviction for murder in first degree in 1921 has aroused interest in many countries.

The ancient stone court house was carefully guarded today as the hour approached for imposition of the death sentence.

The men were found guilty of the murder of a paymaster and his guard in a pay roll robbery at South Braintree in 1920.

Police stationed on the court house steps prevented the entrance of anyone who could not prove that he had business there.

As they alighted they were surrounded by a squad of police in uniform, carrying riot guns.

After district attorney Wilbur had moved that the sentence of death be pronounced and suggested the week beginning Sunday, July 10 for its execution, Judge Thayer turned to Sacco with the formula:

"Have you anything to say why sentence of death should not be pronounced on you?"

"Yes," said Sacco, as he stepped forward in the dock.

Then in English sometimes broken with a decided accent and sometimes faulty grammar he made his final plea.

"I never knew, I never heard, I never read even in history of the oppression of the people of this country. After seven years of prosecution they still consider us guilty.

"I know there are two classes—the oppressed and the rich. It is always between those two. We fraternize with the people with books and literature. You persecute the people, terrorize and kill. We try to educate them. That's why I am here today—for having been in the oppressed class, while you are the oppressor and you know it, Judge Thayer, you know it. You know why I am here.

"Now, after seven years of prosecution of me and my wife, you are going to sentence me to death. I've never been guilty, never. Not yesterday, not today, not forever."

Sacco had addressed practically all of his remarks directly to Judge Thayer. He had turned however for a moment toward his friends seated in the court room and said "thank you all, my people, my comrades, who have been with me these seven years."

Vanzetti addressed the court at some length and accused Judge Thayer of always having been prejudiced against him. He spoke in somewhat better English than Sacco, but occasionally broke into Italian. He had a pile of notes, but for most part disregarded them.

"In all my life," he said, "I have never stolen and never killed. I have struggled all my life to eliminate the crime on earth. Everyone that knows these two hands knows I have never had to go out and steal and kill to get money. I can earn my living with these two hands. I have been able to live a higher life than by crime."

Oil Companies to Consolidate. New York, April 9.—(AP)—Consolidation of fifteen far western oil companies, whose properties have a combined value of \$30,000,000 into a large California independent concern was announced here today.

SAYS GIRLS SHOULD BE TRAINED FOR CAREER

Judge Lois Dale Thinks Every Woman Should Be Trained in Present Day. New Orleans, La., April 9.—(AP)—Girls should be trained for a career, even though they never intend to marry, is the view expressed by Judge Lois Dale, of Texarkana, Ark., first woman in that state to wear the ermine and one of two women students in the class of 1920 in the Law School of Tulane University.

"Girls of the future need the advantages a college course will give them," Judge Dale declared, "for girls educated in career for home and children will make much better housewives and mothers."

"Serving on the bench is a wonderful experience for any attorney, and particularly for a woman," she said. "However, as the first woman judge in our section of the country I attracted more attention than would ordinarily be the case, and that was somewhat of a strain, especially as I knew the men were only waiting for an opportunity to prove me wrong if they possibly could."

"I am particularly interested in juvenile problems and hope that I will be able to hear Judge Ben Lindsay speak on the subject some time. I do not agree with many of his theories and remedies proposed to cure juvenile delinquency, but I am sure that he must be a most interesting man to listen to."

Judge Dale maintains an air of judicial dignity in spite of very stylish and strictly feminine appearance. She was appointed judge of the county court of Miller county, Arkansas, by Governor T. C. McRae.

REV. W. A. M. PLAXCO OF ROCK HILL, IS DEAD. Aged 81. R. P. Minister Dies at Home of Daughter After Illness. Rock Hill, S. C., April 8.—Rev. William Alexander McElwhee Plaxco, retired Associate Reformed Presbyterian minister, died at his home on Cedar Crest Wednesday night, following a period of ill health for a number of years. His condition became critical several months ago, and he gradually grew weaker until the end came.

Rev. Mr. Plaxco began active service in the ministry as pastor of South Church, Lancaster County, and continued in the ministry for 40 years during which period he served faithfully as pastor in South Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and North Carolina. He was forced by ill health to resign his last charge in Kannapolis, N. C., five years ago, from where he and Mrs. Plaxco came to Rock Hill to make their home with their daughter, Miss Mary Plaxco, a member of the faculty of the city schools. In 1917 he was honored by the Associate Reformed Synod by being made moderator at the session which was held that year at Rossenmark, Tenn. He was also active in councils and deliberations of church courts.

Surviving are his widow and seven sons and daughters, as follows: Mrs. J. H. Rudisill and Miss Mary Plaxco, of Rock Hill; Dr. John S. Plaxco, of Augusta, Ga.; Rev. Moffatt H. Plaxco, of Louisville, Ga.; Mrs. James H. Boyce, of Charlotte; Robert B. Plaxco, of Kannapolis, N. C.; and Dr. James M. Plaxco, of Due West. One brother, R. N. Plaxco, of York, also survives, and fourteen grandchildren.

Jonas Is Elected By Student Body. Chapel Hill, April 8.—Student election held at the University of North Carolina resulted in the selection of Charlie Jonas, of Lincolnton, as president of the Student Body for next year.

The new head of student government, which has proved so successful at the University, is the son of C. A. Jonas, prominent Lincoln county attorney, who served as a representative in the last General Assembly.

A record number of 1555 votes were cast in the election, which was held under Australian secret ballot. This was 150 more than voted last year when the previous record was set.

NEW FLOOD WARNING FOR TWO STATES AS WATER STILL RISES

Nineteen Are Known to Have Perished as Result of High Waters in Kansas and Oklahoma During Past Week.

RAILROADS FEEL STORM'S EFFECT

Most of Them Forced to Re-route Trains to Avoid Washouts and Derailments Along Main Lines.

Kansas City, Mo., April 9.—(AP)—With nineteen known dead in Kansas and Oklahoma, and thousands of acres of valuable land inundated, new flood warnings were broadcast today as streams rose to record marks following deluges that crippled traffic and communications throughout a large area.

Most railroads in southeastern Kansas and northern Oklahoma were forced to re-route trains, following three derailments yesterday in which three persons perished and more than a score were injured.

Fourteen Mexicans drowned near Rockford, Okla., where the Ouachita River rose several feet in a few hours. This brought the Oklahoma dead to sixteen, while hundreds of head of livestock drowned when farmers were forced to flee.

E. L. Phillips, engineer, Dave Ball, fireman, and an unidentified man drowned yesterday when a northbound passenger train plunged into a washout near St. Paul, Kans. The engine and ten cars toppled into a ditch. Fifteen passengers were injured. The southbound section of this train also struck a washout near St. Paul and several persons were slightly injured.

A special train carrying marines from eastern points to San Diego for duty in China narrowly averted being derailed when an unidentified man notified the station agent of a washout near Walnut, Kans., early yesterday. A red flare stopped the train on the edge of a raging creek, which had undermined the track. The train was re-routed, and today was speeding through eastern Oklahoma.

Mississippi Rising Now. Columbia, Ky., April 9.—(AP)—Flaming torches beneath a sullen gray sky early today illuminated the lapping waters of the Mississippi River, slowly seeping over a broken levee here. Every able-bodied man available toiled to the point of exhaustion to hold back the flood which had reached a level with the top of the levee's lowest point.

A part of the dyke broke away last night, sloughing into the turbid river directly in front of the town so that each wave lapping against the bulwark drove a slow trickle across its barrier. Should a moderate wind spring up before hundreds of sand-filled sacks are thrown into place, it is feared that the water will crash through to submerge the town to a depth of six feet.

Early reports from other levee towns along the twisting length of the Mississippi indicated no immediate danger from the tremendous weight of rising waters. Families, however, were steadily moving their possessions to higher grounds, while engineers supervised the position of thousands of emergency sand bags to strengthen the threatened weaknesses.

Any woman who is completely wrapped up in herself is a bundle of conceit.

THE STOCK MARKET. Reported by Fennell & Beane. Closing Quotations.

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes Atchison, American Tobacco, American Smelting, American Locomotive, Atlantic Coast Line, Allied Chemical, American Tel. & Tel., etc.

Heroes of the Battle of Nanking



It was Henry Olin Warren (left), of Olin, N. C., who climbed to the roof of the Sooyoung Building at Nanking and, amid the fire of rioters, signalled to gunboats to rescue beleaguered foreigners. Ray D. Plummer (right), of Ralston, Iowa, a member of the American Consulate guard, was wounded by Chinese rioters, but continued at his post.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Decline of 1 to 2 Points, July Working Up to 14.37. New York, April 9.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at a decline of 1 to 2 points, a fuller response to Liverpool cables being prevented apparently by a continuance of unsettled weather and the flood situation in the Mississippi Valley.

Some week-end realizing and a little Southern selling were readily absorbed, the market working up to 14.37 for July and 14.62 for October, by the end of the first hour, or about a point over yesterday's closing quotations.

Private cables said trade calling had been supplied by hedging with Manchester and continental selling in Liverpool, and reported the Manchester cloth market inactive, with business holding off.

Entures opened: May 14.12; July 14.34; Oct. 14.61; Dec. 14.79; Jan. 14.81. Closed Steady. New York, April 9.—Cotton futures closed: May 14.13; July 14.34; Oct. 14.59; Dec. 14.77; Jan. 14.81.

Auto Locks Protect Forgetful Drivers. Chicago, April 9.—Locks to safeguard automobile drivers against their own carelessness are being tested in the Underwriters' Laboratories here. The forgetfulness of drivers of insured cars, who park their cars unattended and walk away with the feeling that the insurance company "can do the worrying," has induced the National Automobile Underwriters' Conference to withdraw recognition of locking devices in the writing of insurance. To meet the situation a new lock is being developed.

The new lock is so designed that when the driver switches off the ignition to stop his engine he automatically locks the car. Few drivers, insurance companies find, are in the habit of forgetting that an engine needs gasoline to keep running. The breaking of the ignition circuit is almost a sub-conscious operation with the average driver.

The laboratories have recognized a number of locks so made that the mechanism which breaks the circuit also locks the car, but this lock is the first that performs both operations at the same time.

Reed Committee Not to Get Funds. Washington, April 9.—(AP)—No funds will be authorized for the Reed campaign funds investigating committee despite the recent ruling by Vice President Dawes that the committee should be considered as legally in existence. Chairman Keyes of the senate audit committee declared today.

Don't stand on your dignity; there's nothing in the world so slippery.

Coroner's Jury Finds That Franklin Man Died From Drinking Poison Rum

Franklin, April 8.—Poison rum was responsible for the death of Charles W. Haynie, 30, Franklin horse trader, a coroner's jury decided this afternoon, thereby exonerating Harry Shepperd, 26; DeWitt Sutton, 26; and Miss Blake Addington, pretty 18-year-old girl, who were arrested when they drove into Sylvia early today in a blood-stained automobile.

Covered with blood the body of Haynie was found early this morning by E. B. Dehart, postoffice employee, who passed the spot about 200 yards from the Macon county courthouse on his way to work. The town of Franklin was thrown into an uproar by what appeared to be a plain case of deliberate murder.

The investigation by the coroner's jury failed to disclose any wounds or marks sufficient to have caused death and the conclusion that it was the result of liquid was reached after statements of the people in the automobile had indicated that he was put there near his home in an intoxicated condition.

The blood was explained by the statement that Haynie bumped his nose against the front of the car after he had fallen forward in a drunken condition. He bled profusely, they stated.

HORNBSBY WILL PLAY WITH GIANTS, HIS STOCK BEING SOLD

Noted Slugger Sells Stock in St. Louis Team at a Price Said to Be \$100 Per Share.

TWO CLUBS TO PURCHASE TOCK

Giants and Cardinals to Divide Cost So the Noted Slugger Can Play This Year.

New York, April 9.—(AP)—The dispute over Rogers Hornsby's ownership of St. Louis baseball stock was settled today by a compromise agreement calling for a price understood to be about \$100 a share, or approximately \$116,700 for the Giant star's holdings.

Settlement was reached at a conference attended by President Heydler of the National League, President Stoneham and Manager McGraw, of the Giants, together with Hornsby and the latter's attorney. It followed a deadlock in the special National League meeting held yesterday at Pittsburgh.

The agreement averts prospects of any court action by the Giants to keep Hornsby in the lineup, and assures the presence of the former Cardinal star in the opening game on next Tuesday at Philadelphia.

Later both Heydler and Hornsby confirmed the understanding that the price agreed on was \$100 a share. This represented a compromise between Hornsby's original demand for \$105 and the offer of approximately \$87 a share, or \$100,000 altogether, made yesterday at the Pittsburgh meeting.

The amount to be paid Hornsby will be made up jointly by the New York and St. Louis Clubs, as well as the National League, but the percentage each will contribute was not disclosed. Bredon's original offer was \$60 a share, but he was persuaded to raise this to bring about the compromise agreement.

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Wrenn, the Kannapolis cleaner, can dye the old dress so it will look like new. Give him a trial. Easter footwear priced at \$1.95, \$2.95 to \$6.95 at the G. A. Moser Shoe Store.

"The Big Parade" will be here for only one day, showing at Matinee and night at the Concord Theatre. Get your reserved tickets now.

The Concord Plumbing Co., can meet your every plumbing need. Expert workmen and the best of materials handied.

Old Hickory and Maple rockers now on sale at the H. B. Wilkinson Furniture store. All styles now on display.

If in the tire market call at the York & Wadsworth co., and see the newest Goodyear balloon. This company says this is the best tire Goodyear has ever made.

The Gray Shop is offering special bargains Monday in Easter hat, all priced \$4. These hats are in the latest shapes and of the latest materials, all suitable for Easter. The company also sells lingerie, hosiery, and ready-to-wear.

145 Autos Stolen in State in March. Raleigh, April 9.—One hundred and forty-five automobiles were stolen in the state in March, and 100 stolen cars were recovered, 70 of the number being those stolen in March, according to L. S. Harris, director of the motor theft bureau of the department of revenue.

While the number of thefts has decreased some in the last few months, the number of cars stolen is still much too large, according to Harris. As a result of intensive work by the bureau in western North Carolina, in the vicinity of Hendersonville and Asheville, there has been a decided decrease in the number of automobile thefts in that area.

However, as long as Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina continue to have such lax registration laws, more thefts will continue in those sections of North Carolina nearest these other states, said R. Harris.

Will Kill Medicine Men If Three Women Die. Yakima, Wash., April 9.—Superstition among the Indians of the Yakima reservation has marked certain medicine men for death unless three Indian women reported dying of a mysterious disease recover.

The illness already had caused the deaths of two women and feeling is running high because the tribesmen believe the medicine men have cast an evil spell over the victims. Tribal customs require the medicine men to be put to death if it is proved to the satisfaction of a council that they are responsible.

MASKED AND ARMED ROBBERS GET VALUED AT \$15,000

Ransacked Vault and Safes of Illinois Watch Case Company and Escaped in Four Autos.

EMPLOYEES PUT INSIDE VAULT

Robbers Were in the Plant About Three Hours, Entering About Midnight, Employes Report.

Chicago, April 9.—(AP)—Fifteen masked and armed men held up four employees of the Illinois Watch Case Company at Elgin, Ill., early today, ransacked the vault and several smaller safes, and escaped in four automobiles with the gold the value of which was estimated at \$15,000.

The men were in the plant for three hours, entering at midnight. An engineer, fireman and two watchmen were on duty. The engineer, fireman and one watchman were bound and gagged, and tossed inside the vault.

The other watchman was forced at the point of a revolver to make the rounds of the large factory and pull the boxes which are rung hourly and which register at the police station.

Besides having machine guns, revolvers and rifles, the robbers carried acetone torches and complete equipment for safe breaking.

After the robbers had fed in their four motor cars, one of the men in the vault escaped from his bonds and notified the police.

HOME DEDICATION DAY. Observance Will Be General in Various Parts of the World.

Boston, Mass., April 9.—In more than 50 cities throughout the United States and Canada, as well as in Honolulu, Manila, Tokyo, Peking, Singapore, and Calcutta, plans for the annual observance of "Home Dedication Day" next Wednesday are underway. Word to this effect has been received by Prof. H. Augustine Smith of Boston University school of religious education, and secretary of the plan.

Every since a little more than a year ago, Professor Smith inaugurated the idea of a home dedicatory service by dedicating his new home in Newton, Mass., with a ritualistic program, requests for the service which he devised have been coming in and it has been used frequently in the past year.

Churches, social service organizations, schools and individuals are co-operating in the plan to hold a world-wide observance of "Home Dedication Day" on April 13, the date being chosen as representing the day of Jesus' retirement in the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus, as in the Bible.

The day will be observed with special services in churches in several cities, but in most instances reports coming to Professor Smith indicate that the home itself will be the scene of dedicatory and consecration services. Programs planned include simple prayer and scripture services for parents, children, and relatives in the churches, the lighting of the hearth fire and unveiling of pictures with ritual services in homes, the reopening of old homes with the ceremonial of home fires, the unveiling of family altars with prayer and song services, formal opening of new homes and dedications of church buildings.

In Superior, Wis., one family will mark the day with a dedicatory service in a child's room, together with the unveiling of a picture for the two-year-old daughter of the house.

Requests for copies of service programs for various purposes have come in from nearly 100 individuals and organizations throughout the United States, and one organization in Ottawa, Ont., is planning for observance of the day.

Among the cities from which requests for co-operation in programs have come are Philadelphia, Providence, Chicago, Bridgeport, Conn.; Manchester, Conn.; Nashville, Tenn.; Glen Falls, N. Y.; Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Chattanooga, Tenn.; Bridge-water, Va.; Oak Park, Ill.; Dayton, O.; Florence, S. C.; New York City, Newark, N. J.; Milwaukee, Charleston, S. C.; Cincinnati, Evanston, Ill.; Washington, D. C.; Zanesville, O.; New Orleans, Duluth, New Rochelle, N. Y., and Grand Marais, Minn.

Individuals and organizations in Honolulu, Manila, Tokyo and other Far Eastern places have been in communication with Professor Smith concerning "home dedication day" observances in those cities.

A brain is as weak as its weakest think.

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SUBSTANTIATION OF NOTE SENT TO CANTON

Semi-Official Havas Agency in Dispatch to Paris Says Five Powers Sent Note to the Chinese.

PROTEST ABOUT NANKING RIOTS

Situation in China About Same as It Has Been for Several Weeks, Latest Reports Have Indicated.

Paris, April 9.—(AP)—Confirmation of yesterday's announcement that a concerted protest will be made by five powers to the Peking government against anti-foreign activities in China was given today by the semi-official Havas Agency. The agency issued the following communication:

"The five governments of France, Great Britain, the United States, Italy and Japan are in accord on the necessity of representations to demand reparation for the murders and pillage at Nanking."

"The Peking ministers of the five powers have received instructions in conformity and in accord will be manifested shortly under the form of a demarche (representation) and a joint note. The five ministers in Peking will proceed to the formulation of definite notifications."

"It is not yet known whether the marches also will be made to Shanghai or Hankow."

Newspaper Workers Freed. Peking, April 9.—(AP)—Mrs. Mildred Mitchell and Wilbur Burton, Americans engaged in newspaper work in China, were released today following their detention Wednesday by agents of Marshal Chang Tso Liang. They were not brought to trial.

Foreign Ministers Meet. Peking, April 9.—(AP)—The American, British, French, Italian and Japanese ministers held a meeting here this morning. It is believed that they discussed the making of demands by the five powers on the Peking government regarding the Nanking affair.

THE STOCK MARKET. Major Speculative Activity in Today's Market Agony on the Upside.

New York, April 9.—(AP)—Major speculative activity in today's stock market was again on the upside, but sufficient points of weakness developed to give the market a ragged appearance most of the times. High priced speculatives, the floating supply of which has been reduced by recent investment buying, were towers of strength. General Motors, DuPont, Commercial Solvents "B," United Drug, Peoples Gas and several others established record high prices.

Reforestation in State On Increase. Raleigh, April 9.—(AP)—Reforestation through the planting of seedlings is growing in North Carolina, according to the Department of Conservation and Development.

The Department reported today that 20,000 seedlings from the first year's output of the department nursery at State College had been planted.

In a number of cases, according to department officials, farmers planted 250 seedlings as an experiment, and then sent requests for more. The seedlings were sent to 21 counties.

In addition to public distribution, several thousand seedlings were planted in state parks. About 3,000 went to Mt. Mitchell and 2,000 to Mt. Museum.

New Freight Station for Asheville. Asheville, April 9.—(AP)—The Asheville Freight Station, which is clearing its decks for action, in preparation for the hearing to be held Monday morning having to do with the location of a new Southern freight station in Asheville.

The new location contemplated by the Southern is near Biltmore, and there is considerable opposition on the part of many Asheville people to this new site. It is expected that a large delegation from Asheville will come to Raleigh Monday for the hearing.

787 Babies Died in 1925 Out of Every 1,000 Born. Raleigh, April 9.—Out of every 1,000 babies born in North Carolina in 1925, 78.7 of them died before they were a year old, records in the state bureau of vital statistics show.

The number of less than year-old infants dying in the state in 1925 was placed at 6,591. Maternal deaths totaled 690, or 8.2 for every 1,000 babies born.

Pasquotank county led in infant mortality with a death rate of 156.7 for every 1,000—nearly one out of seven. Clay county had the best record, only 13.4 deaths for each 1,000 births.

ANNOUNCEMENT. The 59th Series in this Old Reliable Building, Loan and Savings Association will open April 2nd. Running Shares cost 25 cents per share per week, matures \$100.00 in 328 weeks. Prepaid Shares cost \$72.25 per share, matures \$100.00 in 328 weeks. Tax Returning Time Is Here, Remember That All Stock is Non-Taxable. Now is the accepted time to take shares and make a safe investment which will bring you the best return and you will be helping some good family get a home of its own.

Ritchie's Cafe. "On the Square". Again Under the old management. The Home of Home Cooking. GEO. A. RITCHIE, Owner. Ten Pages Today Two Sections.

WEATHER. Rain tonight, slightly colder tomorrow, east portion Sunday cloudy, rising temperatures in or.