

One Killed, Three Hurt, in Collision

Car Carrying Visitors to Hospital Struck by Second Machine at Thirty-Eighth and Dodge.

Driver Held by Police

While driving to Methodist hospital in Omaha to visit a sick mother, one woman was killed, her husband, father and his sister were injured, two of them dangerously, when their automobile collided with another machine at Thirty-eighth and Dodge streets at 10:20 yesterday morning.

The dead: Mrs. Muriel Eads, 38, Brownsville, Neb. The injured: H. L. Eads, her husband, left arm bruised. E. L. Eads, 48, father of H. L. Eads, farmer from Auburn, Neb., lacerations, sprained back, probable internal injuries; serious. Gladys Eads, 23, sister of H. L. Eads, school teacher at David City, Neb., internal injuries; serious. The Eads family was going to visit Mrs. E. L. Eads. She was told of the accident, but not of the fatality. E. L. Eads was not told his daughter-in-law had been killed.

Driver Arrested

The younger Eads was driving. The Ford touring car was traveling north on Thirty-eighth street. It collided with another Ford touring car at Dodge street, driven by C. W. Darrow, carpenter, 2563 St. Mary's avenue.

The Eads car had side curtains attached. Darrow was driving from one job on a California street house to another. With him was his employer, H. J. Joseph, 135 North Forty-third avenue. Darrow was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.

"I don't know just how it happened," he said, grief stricken. "Neither car was going fast. We were coming down that steep grade on Dodge street. The view wasn't very clear, but I thought the road was clear. I guess it was partly to blame, though, for Eads had the right of way."

Machine Knocked Over

When the automobiles collided the Eads machine was knocked over against the northeast curb. The right rear wheel was broken. None of the passengers was thrown out of the car. The Darrow car turned over, but Darrow and Joseph escaped with only a bruise or two. The Eads car did not turn over.

Mrs. Eads must have been thrown against the top of the machine, in the opinion of Patrol Chauffeur Fred Peterson, who said he believed her neck was broken. Dr. Miller, who attended her at the hospital, reported death was caused by a fracture of the skull, but said she might have suffered a broken neck, too.

Mrs. Eads died on the way to the hospital, from which they were but 10 blocks distant.

W. R. Bonham of the Western Motor company, who was passing the scene, halted his light truck and with the aid of Darrow and Joseph, and Jack Lyons and George Bylin, employees of the Omaha Gas company, had the injured in the truck and took them to the hospital.

Husband Collapses

The younger Mrs. Eads did not want to make the trip from Auburn to Omaha yesterday, it was later learned, and asked to be allowed to remain at home with her baby, Geraldine, 2. But she was persuaded to join the party to visit her husband's mother.

When the younger Eads was told his wife had been killed, he collapsed and became hysterical. He moaned and screamed, crying, "Oh, it's awful; Oh, it's awful!"

When the patrol chauffeur took in to him the bonnet and gloves his wife was wearing at the time of the crash he snatched them and clasping them to his breast, sobbed, "My God, it's terrible!"

The woman's shoes were torn from her feet in the accident, detectives said.

The Eads family was driving from Auburn to Omaha, Brownsville is just a short way from Auburn.

The intersection of Thirty-eighth and Dodge streets, formed as a sort of pocket because of steep grades from all directions except the east, has been the scene of many automobile accidents, some of which have resulted in fatalities.

Mrs. MacSwiney, in Irish Consulate, Defies Police

New York, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of the former lord mayor of Cork and two other women who said they were acting for the Irish republic, today entered the Irish consulate in Nassau street and defied the attempts of Lieut. Gegan of the police bomb squad and Lindsay Crawford, a free state representative, to eject them.

Fight for legal possession of the consulate was started yesterday by republican adherents and free states following the retirement of Daniel J. McGrath, consul general for the free state, who some weeks ago was threatened with death in an anonymous letter.

Rum Pirates Take \$1,000,000 Cargo From Steamer at Sea

New York, Dec. 28.—A report received by custom officials today from Nassau, Bahamas, of a \$1,000,000 liquor robbery on the high seas was taken by customs officials as proof of reports that pirates were raiding rum runners off the Atlantic coast. The report said the Vincent A. White, which cleared from Nassau for Miquelon on October 21, with 15,000 cases of liquor, had been boarded off the New York coast and all the liquor and money it carried taken.

David City Man Named District Court Judge



L. S. Hastings.

Lincoln, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—L. S. Hastings of David City was appointed judge of the Fifth judicial district today by Governor McKelvie. He will succeed Judge E. E. Good of Wahoo, who has been elected to the state supreme court and will vacate the office January 1.

Voting on first, second and third choices for the office was as follows: L. S. Hastings: First choice, 44; total vote, 72; score, 3,060. H. C. Beeler: First choice, 19; total vote, 48; score, 1,805. J. J. Thomas: First choice, 10; total vote, 24; score, 820.

British Fleet Ordered Back to Near East

Malta, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—As a result of unsatisfactory news from Lausanne, it is understood that the ships of the British Mediterranean fleet which arrived here on December 23 for a three weeks' visit have received orders to return to the near east.

Naval authorities were reticent today, but it was believed that Admiral Dr. Robeck, commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean fleet, was prepared to leave this afternoon with all available vessels.

The understanding was that the dreadnoughts, Iron Duke, Marlborough and Ajax, the light cruiser Concord and all the destroyers were to sail eastward at 4 o'clock.

Child Supports Allies

Lausanne, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—Richard Washburn Child, chief American spokesman, joined with the heads of the allied delegations at today's meeting of the capitulations commission of the near east conference in declaring that some guarantees must be given by Turkey to replace the capitulation or extra-territorial rights of foreigners, which the Kemalists have declared abolished.

If Turkey showed a spirit of collaboration on this question, Ambassador Child said, it would receive just and generous treatment. Otherwise it must be considered to have repudiated its engagements.

The meeting of the commission of capitulations failed to make progress at today's session. Some of the allied delegations on leaving the hall said the conference had reached a deadlock pending the arrival of the new Turkish instructions from Ankara.

Two Norfolk Fires Cause \$80,000 Damage

Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 28.—Two fires caused damage, estimated at \$80,000. The interior of the Beehive general store was swept by flames, which were discovered at 10:15 last night. The loss to the stock is almost complete and is estimated at from \$30,000 to \$35,000, partly covered by insurance.

Morse Bluffs Man Killed While Felling Trees

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Joseph Bauer, 50, of Morse Bluffs, died at his home from injuries sustained when a tree which he was felling crashed down on him. He suffered broken hip and internal injuries.

Bauer and his son-in-law, Alfred Dvorak, were cutting down trees along the Lincoln highway east of North Bend when the accident happened. A wife and five daughters survive.

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President Frowns on Borah Plan

Harding Says Amendment to Navy Bill Won't Improve Negotiations with Germany

Its Defeat Predicted

Washington, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—Senate today frowns on the Borah proposal for a world economic conference reached a dramatic turning point today when President Harding threw the full force of the administration against Senator Borah's plans as contained in an amendment to the naval appropriations bill. In a letter read in the senate, virtually asked for its defeat.

Another day's general debate followed, but action went over. Plans were made for a vote Friday but so many senators desired to speak that, with forces favoring the Borah rider reported sparring for time in an effort at recruiting, delay over the New Year's holiday appeared possible.

Defeat of the amendment was predicted by administration leaders and conceded upon the present status of the battle, by its champions.

Would Hinder Negotiations

The president's letter was addressed to Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader, and said the Borah amendment would create "false impressions" abroad as well as at home, to the embarrassment of the administration already was doing toward aiding Europe. Evidently drafted with great care after consultation with Secretary Hughes, however, the communication failed to give any details of the negotiations it hinted were in progress.

Neither would White House or State department officials divulge any further information on the subject. They declared the affair was necessarily veiled in diplomacy and left it shrouded in doubt. Virtually the only light thrown on the negotiations came from Senator Lodge during the senate discussion, when he said that cancellation of the foreign debt was opposed by the president and was not included in the negotiations.

Asks Free Hand

A suggestion from the president in his letter that congress "free the hands" of the allied debt commission "so that helpful negotiations may be undertaken" developed special interest in the senate. Senator Lodge said he was authorized to state that the president meant that time for payment of principal and interest of foreign debts might be extended.

Senator Borah, however, in brief comment on the president's letter, charged that the administration proposed to "freeze" the foreign debt by deferring payments "until the seventh or eighth generation has passed over the Jordan."

In discussions at the State department rumors of the administration's activities continued of wide and varied form. One was based on press reports from abroad, suggesting possibilities of a four-power European peace pact as a means of settlement of the reparations question, but this also failed to elicit any comment in official circles. The unofficial report was that Germany desired the United States to suggest such a course to France, Great Britain, Belgium and Germany to join in the peace agreement and possibly Italy.

Rumor Attracts Attention

While it was impossible to get any reaction in official quarters on this phase of the European peace pact suggestion known to have been considered first abroad more than a year ago, it attracted much unofficial attention. A possibility that it had been evolved in Germany as a means of meeting French demands as to adequate security from attack was suggested. Since the three-power agreement for defense of France which would have insured American and British support against any German aggression, failed when rejected in the United States it occurred to some observers that the United States might be selected as the logical agency for presenting a four-power European peace plan as an alternative.

Another overflow crowd followed today's senate debate, in which the principal speeches were made by Senators McNary, republican, Oregon; France, republican, Maryland; Heflin, democrat, Alabama, and Caraway, democrat, Arkansas, in support of the Borah amendment, and by Senator McCormick, republican, Illinois, in opposition. Several lively tiffs occurred also between Senators Borah, Lodge, Johnson, republican, California; Reed, democrat, Missouri, and others.

Senator Borah sought to reply at length to President Harding's letter, but deferred an extensive reply until Friday, when a half dozen senators are to speak on the amendment.

Administration leaders hoped to dispose of the Borah and all related subjects Friday, but the speech-making plans made a vote doubtful, although possible. It was arranged that Senator Poindexter, republican, Washington, in charge of the naval bill, should make a point of order against the Borah amendment when it is offered, but Senator Borah said he would not formally submit it until all discussion had ended.

Jeweler Kills Friend

Manila, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—Harry Bridge, captain of a China coast vessel, was shot and killed here yesterday by J. W. A. Redhouse, a jeweler, who, after barricading himself in a house and holding a squad of the constabulary at bay all night, ended his own life.

The two men, who lived together and had been companions for a number of years, quarreled over a Filipino woman. Both were British subjects.

Penn. Express Derailed

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 28.—The commercial express, which left New York at 10:05 a. m. for the west, was derailed at Princeton Junction, N. J., at 11:00 o'clock, according to a report received by the Pennsylvania railroad here. A mail car, combination car and coach were derailed. The tender of the engine and the mail car turned over. The company had no information that any one was injured.

Woman Dies of Hunger, Blind Sister Nearing End in "House of Two Sisters"

New York, Dec. 28.—The tapping of a finger upon the window pane in the "house of the two sisters" in the Bronx, yesterday called into the ramshackle house the first stranger to enter the doors in 40 years. The stranger, a police officer, found the body of an aged woman, dead from starvation, and a blind sister, calling for help by tapping on the pane.

The blind woman, Amelia Christensen, 82, was weak from malnutrition. Only a few potatoes and a small quantity of milk and \$3.75 in little packages were found in the dark interior of the house. Inside Christensen, 75, sister, was dead upon a bed in another room.

Residents of the neighborhood had shunned the house, known all about, as "the house of the two sisters." For 40 years no one had been seen to enter or leave it. A small lamp burning in the evening, and once, last summer, the strains of an organ, were the only signs of occupancy.

Italian Premier Will Not Attend Paris Meeting

Mussolini Sees Little Hope for Agreement Regarding Germany—France Ready to Act Alone.

Rome, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—Premier Mussolini informed his cabinet today that he would not attend the conference of allied premiers in Paris next week.

The premier's decision produced a profound impression. It was interpreted as meaning that he had no confidence that the gathering would reach a satisfactory result.

Among the reasons given the council of ministers for not making the journey were that no settled policy had been decided upon, and that the question of timber deliveries by Germany would create new difficulties between Great Britain and France.

Too Much Work at Home. The premier also told the ministers that he had too much work to do at home to go abroad, unless there was some assurance of the conference reaching results which would warrant his absence from Italy.

Reviewing the internal situation, Mussolini said it was improving. It was the government's intention to put an end, once for all, to the conflicts between the fascist and communists. To that end the prefects throughout the country had been ordered to keep their police forces mobilized every Saturday from midnight to the following Sunday at midnight in readiness to suppress outbreaks.

France Prepared to Act. Paris, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—The French government has practically completed its plan for the seizure of certain German state forests as a result of the formal action of the reparations commission last Tuesday in declaring Germany in voluntary default for failure to deliver the specific amount of timber during the present year.

Some of these government-owned forests are in the occupied territory of Germany and others in Bavaria. It was authoritatively stated tonight that, apart from any general settlement of the reparations question, the week's conference here of allied premiers, Poincare has made up his mind to take these forests in economic reprisal for Germany's wilful default, even though the other allies refuse to participate in the operation.

The French premier will insist that his plan of seizure be the first item on the agenda of the reparations meeting. He will ask the approval of the allied powers, but if this is not forthcoming, he is prepared to act alone.

German Ask More Time. Berlin, Dec. 28.—Germany's delay in meeting the entente's demands for timber was due mainly to the late date on which the government received specific notification of the allies' requirements, according to an explanation issued by the German war burdens commission. The commission asks an extension of time to the first of April.

The majority of the demands, the commission declares, were received only on March 31 and those for England on April 20. This resulted in a delay in the contract deliveries and compelled purchases in the open market. Moreover, the sudden depreciation of the mark in June upset the government's calculations.

Nevertheless, up to November 15, the demands of Britain and France were completely fulfilled and promises are made that England will receive a large delivery before the end of the present year. The chief technical difficulty encountered was in connection with the demand for telegraph poles, owing to the unusual sizes required.

Argument Over Teacher Ends in Death of Two

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 28.—Two men were shot to death in the business section of Somerset, 18 miles south of San Antonio, as a result of a trouble said to have had its origin in the discharge of a teacher in the Somerset public schools. The dead are: Prof. W. A. Chapman, 48, superintendent of the Somerset schools. J. Glenn Harwood, 22, oil field worker.

A. D. Halliburton, proprietor of a soft drink stand in Somerset, was taken into custody.

Butcher Kicks Women Who "Kick" at Weight of Meat

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Within a week James Horn, a butcher, has twice been fined for kicking women customers who "kicked" on the weight of meat he had sold them. "All these women think I am cheating them in weight," said Horn, who added that he did not remember having kicked Mrs. Augusta Whelan, and his bad memory cost him a fine of \$29 and costs. Six days ago Horn was fined \$10 on complaint of Mrs. Agnes Truth, who said that Horn had kicked her.

Time for a Fadeout of This Spirit in Film



Julian Church Visited by Four Robed Klansmen

Followers of Fiery Cross Give Donation to Christian Home at Council Bluffs—Village Is Amazed.

Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—The Ku Klux Klan will get you if you don't watch out is proving a sufficient threat by mothers of the little Nemaha county town of Julian to make their children obey their commands with the utmost promptness.

The Klan is no myth to the children and other members of this community of 381 souls. The sheeted followers of the fiery cross have visited the city in the stillness of the night and departed.

Search for Body of Pretty Suicide Reveals No Clue

Police Still in Dark as to Identity of Woman Who Leaped to Death From Bridge Rail.

A 12-hour hunt by an army of searchers failed to extort from the Missouri river yesterday the secret guarding the identity of the pretty young woman who leaped from the Douglas street bridge shortly after 7 Wednesday night.

Powerful searchlights of the Nebraska Power company were kept trained on the river all night under direction of Special Agent Harry Lighthouse. Scores of men walked the banks looking for the body.

Detectives yesterday pinned their last hope on the ability of rivermen who work the bottoms around the Union Pacific bridge to recover the body "some time."

A scrutiny of reports of missing girls at Central police headquarters failed to reveal any description tally with that of the suicide.

Frank Spiecker, employee of the smelter, 2707 Caldwell street, said a woman who pleaded to be taken in as a boarder at his home three weeks ago disappeared Wednesday morning.

She was very mysterious, he said, and no one learned her name. She received mail, though, according to Mrs. Minnie Spiecker, his mother, addressed to Ethel Schultz, and after reading it hurried to burn it in the kitchen stove.

Day's Activities in Washington

The annual postal supply bill, carrying \$584,614,191, was reported to the senate.

The senate adopted a resolution expressing "pleasure and joy" over the improvement in former President Wilson's health.

Probe Discloses Astoria Fire of Incendary Origin

Arrests Expected as Result of Investigation of Blaze Which Destroyed Oregon Town.

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 28.—Investigation by deputies from the state fire marshal's office investigating the fire which wiped out the business district of Astoria December 8 has resulted in finding the fire was of incendary origin. It was announced today. It was said clues have been found which will lead to arrests.

The information upon which the fire marshal's deputies have been working has been in their hands since the day after the fire, but owing to the need for secrecy while clues were being developed, the investigation was carried on under cover, it was said.

Early on the morning of the fire, E. N. Bussing, field superintendent of the Astoria water department, was awakened and when he was informed of the seriousness of the conflagration, went to his telephone to order the cutting off of the water service from all of the residence districts in order to allow a concentration of the water pressure in the fire stricken area. He found his telephone wires had been cut, so his efforts to connect with the water department were futile.

Bussing thereupon discovered that his house had been entered and the telephone wires severed inside his dwelling. He found an open window through which entry had been made and other clues which may lead to the arrest of the man who cut the connections.

Bussing gave his information to the state fire marshal's office the next day, and special investigators have since been at work on the case. Suspects are under surveillance, but no arrests have been made.

Nebraska Newlyweds Touring State in Air

Lincoln, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—A bride and groom dropped into Lincoln from the skies today.

They are Mr. and Mrs. Noel Bullock of Broadwater, Neb. They were married Christmas day at Broadwater and since that time have toured Nebraska by airplane. Bullock is an aviator.

They flew to Omaha late this afternoon and expect to fly from Omaha to Topeka, Kan.

Lists His Liabilities at \$12,788; Assets \$534

Charles M. Parker of South Sioux City, formerly in business in Plattsmouth, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in federal court yesterday, listing his liabilities at \$12,788 and assets at \$534.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States announced the receipt of a request from German business men for an American commission to adjudge Germany's capacity to pay reparations. The chamber deferred decision pending the meeting of allied premiers next week.

Declares Stock Dividend

Chicago, Dec. 28.—(By A. P.)—A 100 per cent stock dividend was declared today by the directors of the Standard Oil company of Indiana.

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Signed Confessions Name Over Two Score Men in Louisiana Kidnaping Case.

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