

125 MEN ARE ENTOMBED IN MINE

Differences Over Report May be Settled

APPALLING DISASTER AT BENWOOD VA.

Entrance Closed by Terrible Explosion This Morning.

HOPE HELD OUT

Between 125 and 150 are Entombed in Mine.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press) Moundsville, W. Va., April 28—Approximately 125 men are entombed in The Wheeling Steel and Iron Company's mine at Benwood, eight miles from here, according to reports reaching here today.

A terrific explosion in the mine, shortly after the men went to work today, closed the entrance and cut off escape.

The mine is owned by the Wheeling Steel Corporation and the entire output is consumed by the operating company.

Rescue Car Dispatched

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 28—More than 150 men are entombed in a mine near Wheeling, W. Va., according to word received at the Bureau of Mines headquarters here today. A mine rescue car was sent to Wheeling at once.

RISE IN FRANC HITS TOURISTS IN FRANCE

Paris, April 28—One result of the rapid rise of the franc in the last month has been to make a big difference in the financial position of Americans living or visiting in France. There has been no cutting of wages or commodity prices to correspond with the increase in the value of the franc, and the result is that France is no longer the cheapest country in Europe to live in. In some respects it is now a more expensive place to live than the United States.

Steps taken by the French Government to halt the upward movement of the franc and to stabilize it at around six cents to the franc are expected to relieve this situation somewhat, but at the moment reservations for room and bath at the principal hotels during June and July are quoted at from \$15 to \$25 a day. It is indicative of prices in general that the cost of living for foreigners in France this summer will be approximately 50 percent more than last year.

Householders in the suburbs are demanding from \$5 to \$10 a day for small rooms without meals for reservations for the period of the Olympic games.

MT. A. CLOSING EXERCISES TO BE BROADCASTED

Sackville, N. B., April 28—The Mount Allison Institution at Sackville, N. B., are expecting to broadcast their closing exercises in May if their present plans materialize. Subscriptions from old students and friends have been forwarded to the Principal of the Ladies' College, who is promoting the scheme, and it is understood that plans for the immediate erection of the station are practically completed. This is recorded as a wide-awake scheme to secure publicity for their college and at the same time to give the old students who will "listen in," one of the treats of their lives.

POLITICAL SPOKESMAN PULLED FROM PLATFORM BY COMMUNISTS.

(Special Cable by British United Press.)

Paris, April 28—Andre Tardieu, spokesman for former Premier Clemenceau in the Chamber of Deputies, was pulled from the platform by communists while electioneering at Hartroville, a message here today said. Tardieu's clothing was torn and he was bruised by blows. The meeting suspended in disorder.

DRY AGENTS FIND RUM IN STEPS OF HIDDEN STAIRS

Find Large Cache in N. Y. Restaurant After Long Search—Cleverly Hidden.

BIG CLEANUP IS IN PROGRESS

New York, April 28—Prohibition agents walked up a hidden stairway from the second to the fifth floor of a building on West Forty-third street, one step at a time. As they climbed they ripped up the steps and exposed under each one in the whole flight, a snug nest of booze.

More than 200 quarts of Scotch whisky and cordials were found concealed in the compartments under the stairway and confiscated.

Recently information reached prohibition officials of the hidden stairway and this noon nine Federal officers, headed by Agents Van Tassel, Shannon and Mannix, and armed with a search warrant, visited the place and began their search for the hidden stairway.

This they eventually found by means of an inconspicuous second story door, and the climb began. All nine of the agents thought the stairway resounded too hollowly, and began tapping and tampering. The result of ripping off the top of one step was to reveal a compartment lined with tissue paper in which rested five bottles of liquor. Similar finds were made on each successive step.

Izzy Einstein and Moe Smith, the well known character actors, returned today from Detroit, where they closed forty-three assorted institutions by injunctions.

Agents Lennon and Dunn today seized two freight cars containing 425 half-barrels of beer in the Jersey City freight yards of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. The beer was on its way to Atlantic City.

RADIO STATION IN MONTREAL WAS BURNED

Montreal, April 28—La Presse broadcasting studio, station CKAC, in La Presse building, was destroyed by fire Saturday. Most of the apparatus was salvaged and the fire was confined to the studio.

The station will be silent for a while, except for concerts broadcast from outside the studio.

SUICIDES IN GAS STOVE

Toronto, April 28—Suffering from melancholy, Mrs. Elizabeth Fillgam, 35, was found dead in the kitchen of her home with her head inside the oven of a gas stove. She had turned the gas on. There will be no inquest.

Youngest Republic To Pay Tribute To the Greatest

MONTREAL TRAIN HAD A WIDELY VARIED CARGO

Bridal Couples and Coffins, Jail Birds and Joy on Train.

Montreal, April 28—Two corpses, tenn honeymoon couples, Ruth St. Denis, celebrated dancer, and a prisoner in handcuffs, left Windsor Station between 9 and 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Had the ten radiant brides caught sight of two dark coffins, considerable commotion might have resulted in view of the dramatic possibilities of this peculiar mixture of life and death of success and of disgrace which makes up a busy hour in a railway station.

But as it was the train passengers boarded the cars for Ottawa and New York, disregarding and for the most part oblivious of currents around them and with no regard for omens.

The send offs of bridal couples is now one of the chief interests of the day to the employees of railway stations. At Bonaventure Station a luckless groom boarded the train only to find that he had left the bride behind him. He hurried back to find at she had been taken prisoner by her friends who laughed gaily at the wrath of the newly weds. The husband rushed up and succeeded in carrying off his bride just in the nick of time before the engine began to puff out of the station.

ITALIANS HAVE TAKEN OVER COAL FIELDS IN RUHR

London, April 28—A party of Italian officials has taken over the administration of coal fields in the northern district of the Ruhr, marking Italy's first active participation in the matter of the Meuse contracts, according to the London Daily News.

A despatch to the newspaper from Dortmund states that the action was taken on the suggestion of the French and that the step is inexplicable if Premier Poincare intends to carry out the recommendations of the experts' report in regard to German control of German industries.

GRAND JURY PROBING SCHOOL SCANDAL; DANCE WRITE-UP STARTED SOMETHING

(Special to the Daily Mail by the Dallas, Texas, April 28—Grand jury investigation of the scandal at Southern Methodist University has been extended to the school scandal sheet 'The Dinkey.'

Several students were questioned

TEACHER TAKES POISON WHEN BRIDE BOBS HER HAIR.

(United Press.)

Bettsville, Ohio, April 28—Because his 14 months bride bopped her hair, Walter Williams 24, rural school teacher, swallowed poison and died before medical aid could be summoned.

Famous Art Treasure to Be Exhibited in the United States.

PLANS BEING MADE

Grecian Ambassador on Way to U. S. Capital.

(Special Cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press) Geneva, April 28—Henry Morgenthau, former American Ambassador to Turkey arrived here Sunday on his way to the United States to transmit to the State Department an offer by Greece to send her greatest art treasure the statue of Hermes by Praxiteles, 500 B. C., on an exhibition tour of America. The offer is made as the tribute of the youngest Republic to the greatest. The statue would be taken from state to state in a private car.

HIGH COST OF WHISKY DRIVING SCOTS TO POISON

Edinburgh, Scotland, April 28—The poorer classes of people in Scotland are consuming methylated spirits in increasing quantities, due to the low cost as compared with other alcoholic beverages.

Aroused by the serious effects from this practice the Government is planning drastic action, and Secretary for Scotland Adamson has promised that after May 1 all methylated spirits, except that used for furniture polish, will be so treated that they cannot be used as a beverage.

Adamson said legislation would be introduced as early as possible to deal with the distribution of the spirits for use in furniture polish.

BLOODED STOCK FOR THE E. P. RANCH

London, April 28—Professor Carlyle of the E. P. Branch is sailing shortly for Canada taking back with him a number of brood mares and other blooded stock for the ranch. The Prince of Wales continues to evince the deepest interest in all doings of the ranch and keeps in close touch with things there.

FIRST FATALITY IN WAR ON RUM RUNNERS IN NORWAY.

(Special Cable by British United Press.)

Christiana, April 28—The first death due to Norway's war on rum runners occurred Sunday when a cruiser fired upon a motor boat near the city when it refused to haul to. Two smugglers were killed and one injured, while the boat and its liquor cargo went down.

SANITY INQUIRY FOR HUSBAND OF BOBBED BANDIT

Cooney's Family Tells Court He Has Shown Signs of a Deranged Mind.

ROBBER GIRL IS LOSING BRAVADO

New York, April 28—The sentencing of Edward Cooney, husband and aid of Brooklyn's bobbed hair bandit, will automatically be deferred while a commission of alienists inquires into his sanity. The appointment of such a commission was announced by County Judge George W. Martin. Judge Martin is taking this step, he announced, as the result of representations made to him by members of Cooney's family that the latter, who has seemed sullen and indifferent since his arrest, has shown evidence of deranged mind on previous occasions.

The nervous strain imposed upon her by imprisonment is beginning to tell upon Mrs. Cooney, it was learned today from keepers in the Raymond Street Jail. Ever since she pleaded guilty yesterday jail attendants said the pert and saucy manner she displayed from the time of her arrest in Jacksonville, Fla., has been giving way to reticence. She will be sentenced on Tuesday.

Although Mrs. Cooney enjoyed a hearty breakfast of oatmeal, bread and coffee, she spent a very unpleasant night listening to a tirade from an old woman arrested for intoxication and lodged in an adjacent cell. According to Warden Henry S. Honeck, this prisoner berated Mrs. Cooney, for her holdups when she was about to become a mother and told her that she ought to be ashamed of herself.

Kept Bandit Awake.

Despite Mrs. Cooney's admonitions to "Shut yer mouth!" the drunken woman babbled intermittently through the night, keeping the bobbed hair bandit awake. Mrs. Cooney occupies the cell which was the temporary home of Mrs. Lillian Raizen, who was convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to twenty years for slaying Dr. Abraham Gluckstein.

C.N.R. ORCHESTRA TO MAKE RECORDS

Montreal, April 28—The Chateau Laurier Hotel Orchestra of Ottawa, under the leadership of James McIntyre, will shortly pay a visit to Montreal to make a number of gramophone records. The demand for these has been caused by the excellent reception of the orchestra's broadcasting from the Canadian National Railway station CKCH, Ottawa. Following the desire expressed by Montreal music lovers the orchestra will broadcast in Montreal during their stay in this city.

CONFERENCE OF PREMIERS HELD TODAY

Belgium Acts as Mediator in the Dispute.

PREMIERS CONFER

Aim to Bring British and French Views Together.

(By Webb Miller, staff correspondent British United Press)

Paris, April 28—Belgium attempted today to mediate between France and Great Britain in their differences that have arisen over the Dawes' experts report.

Conferences between Premier Theunis and Minister Syams of Belgium and Premier Poincare started at the Quai D'Orsay at 10 a.m. They were the first official pour parlers on the experts findings.

While the Belgians were attempting to bring the French and British view points together, Poincare was attempting to renew Franco-Belgian cooperation and realign this united front.

RIVALLING THE FAMOUS RUSSIAN DEATH BATTALION

Mexico City, April 28—Three senoras, who rivalled the famous Russian Battalion of Death, by following their husbands into battle, are the toast of the federal army whose arms they helped to achieve victory.

They are not women of the manly, Amazon type, but three slender, pretty girls, Guadalupe, Nina and Juanita, who elected to follow the flag rather than remain at home while their husbands were fighting the revolutionists.

They have to their credit several notches on their rifles, which means that there are several good revolutionists who will revolt no more.

President Obregon has heard of the feats of valor which these women inspired in his troops by their example in fighting shoulder to shoulder with the men, and official recognition of their bravery is certain. They scorned to engage in the gathering of provisions and other duties devolving upon women, but fought in the battles along the west coast where the fighting was hardest.

RUM RUNNERS AT HALIFAX

Halifax, April 27—Six rum-running craft are in port today, four of which are anchored in the stream, in accordance with recent rulings from Ottawa, prohibiting a ship with liquors from docking.

According to interested parties business has been slack of recent weeks owing to the storms off the American coast, but with the advance of spring better business is anticipated.

FREAK LAMB DIED AT STE. TILE

Montreal, April 28—Four eyes, two mouths, two noses, four ears and a forked tail was the generous equipment with which a baby lamb started life three weeks ago at Ste. Tile in Champlain county. The lamb, which was otherwise a normal animal, had two perfect heads on its frail body, and died from its unusual burden three days after birth.