

BUSINESS OF CONFERENCE IS TAKEN UP

Morning Session of M. E. Ministers is Devoted to Hearing Reports and Appointing of Officials.

LAYMEN'S ASSOCIATION WILL MEET THURSDAY

Dr. Edgar Blake of Chicago to Deliver Address—Woman's Home Missionary Society Has Anniversary.

Election of conference officers, reading of the district superintendent reports, and general organization of the conference occupied the attention of the ministers and visiting clergymen at the opening business session Wednesday morning of the Northwest Indiana Methodist conference.

The business session was preceded by the serving of the holy communion by Bishop William Frazer McDowell. He was assisted during the performance of this rite by J. G. Campbell, district superintendent from Greencastle; U. G. Leazenby, district superintendent from Crawfordsville; A. W. Wood, district superintendent from Lafayette; and M. H. Appleby, the South Bend superintendent. Rev. Henry L. Davis, the South Bend conference pastor and Thomas Woodson, Brooke, Ind., also assisted in the serving of the communion.

Roll call and the organization of the meeting was effected at the close of this service. The following officers were elected: Secretary, Alvah H. Lawrence, Winona, Ind.; assistant secretaries, Wm. K. Ingalls, Colfax; Blaine E. Kirkpatrick, Crawfordsville; S. C. Rodgers, Whitings; Robert O. Kimberlin, Frank, Ind.; C. A. Brown, New Carlisle; J. M. Williams, Knox; assistant secretaries, D. E. Nolan, Coatsville; A. L. Brandenburg, Veederburg; O. S. Stewart, Montmorenci; Edgar Moore, Danville, Ind.; C. A. Brown, Chesterton; treasurer, Charles U. Stockberger, Crown Point; assistant treasurers, F. O. Fraley, Hammond; G. S. Reedy, Danville; R. H. Crowder, East Chicago; J. G. Martin, Hebron; V. B. Service, Lowell.

Trustees Elected. The following trustees of the conference were elected: M. H. Appleby, South Bend; Israel Hatton, Rosedale; O. B. Rippton, Indianapolis; A. L. Miller, Rockville; and W. E. Cannon, Brazil, Wayne Co. Miller was elected conference postmaster.

The officers with one or two exceptions are the same as last year. They will meet during the present session of the conference at the residence of the itinerant school, was elected reporter for the Western Christian Advocate. The standing committees of this year will be the same as last.

A large delegation from the district in attendance at the religious institute and Sunday school workers' convention, which is convening at Mishawaka, was present at the opening of the conference Wednesday.

Laymen Meet. Announcement has been made by Rev. Henry L. Davis of the Laymen's meeting which will hold forth Thursday in the First Baptist church. The time of the meeting has not yet been announced, but this will be forthcoming later. A banquet is to be tendered.

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ARMENIANS ARE SENT INTO EXILE

More Than 800,000 Have Been Killed by the Turks, Says New York Pastor.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—State department advisers on reported Armenian atrocities today confirmed the belief of department officials that there was much truth in these reports.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Armenia has been depopulated. More than 800,000 Armenians already have been killed or driven off into desert exile by the Turks.

"At least 5,000 Armenians of military age have been drafted into the Turkish army and are being used as targets for the guns of the allies.

"The Turkish government is using the war as an excuse for engineering a diabolical scheme to wipe the Armenian race off the face of the earth, and unless the Christian nations of the world step in immediately the Turks will succeed."

These statements were made today by Rev. A. Bedikian, pastor of the Armenian Protestant church in New York, who has secured much first hand information concerning the Turkish atrocities from missionaries from the Armenian district or from Armenian refugees who have escaped to the United States.

GRANTS NEW TRIAL IN LONG MYE CASE

Court Holds That Items of Value Were Not Proved and Evidence Not Well Submitted.

A new trial in the case of Long Mye against the Independent 5 and 10 cent store was granted by Judge Funk Wednesday morning. The motion for a new trial was made mainly on the grounds that the plaintiff had not proved the items of value of the personal property destroyed. The court held also that the defendant had been placed at a disadvantage through the fact that its evidence had been submitted piecemeal because of unsatisfactory interpretation.

Long Mye sued for \$7,065.25 damages for losses sustained when his restaurant was destroyed at the time the buildings at 112-114 S. Michigan st. collapsed. The jury returned a verdict for \$2,177.77 plus interest from the date of the collapse of the building to the day of the verdict.

GARDENS MONEY MAKERS

Each Pupil Averaged \$5.06 From Sale of Produce.

Each public school pupil who had a garden during the past summer earned an average of \$5.06, according to the report of L. P. Wolf, who was in charge of municipal gardening given at the meeting of the municipal recreation committee in the office of F. B. Barnes in the high school Tuesday night. Some of the children made as high as \$10.50 off the produce of their small gardens, while others fell below the average.

Mr. Wolf gave reports on the three different kinds of gardens that were cultivated in South Bend during the past summer, school gardens, home gardens and vacant lot gardens. It is probable that still more will be named to carry on this work again next summer.

PORTABLE READY SOON

Building in River Park Will Seat 175 Persons.

With the opening of the River Park portable school next week, the number of schools of this kind in the city will be increased to 11, making a total of 20 rooms. The school at River Park will have two rooms, one for the first grade and the other for the fourth. The primary room of the school will be equipped with chairs and tables, made by the students in the vocational training school, instead of desks.

The school has been built so that the two rooms can be thrown into one to permit large assemblies. The combined rooms will seat 175 persons and will be used for community meetings as well as for classes.

TWO SHOT GUNS STOLEN

Think Man Who Asked the Price is Responsible.

A man who entered the Mike Vargo store, 730 W. Indiana av., and priced two valuable shotguns Tuesday afternoon, is suspected of having broken the window of the store Tuesday night and to have taken the weapons from their positions in the window, as reported by Supt. James A. Duggan.

The man was seen to enter the store at 10:30 p. m. and was seen to leave at 11:30 p. m. when Vargo reported the theft.

WILL OBSERVE DAY HERE

Special Program to be Given in Schools on Friday.

Appropriate programs for Disease Prevention day are being arranged by the principals and teachers of the various grade schools to be given on Friday. Notices that exercises of some kind should be given on this day were sent to the school heads a few weeks ago by Supt. L. J. Montgomery and a second notice was sent out again this week.

TELLS WAR EXPERIENCES

Hi Sibley Addresses Members of Rotary Club.

Walter "Hi" Sibley, the local newspaperman who returned recently from service with French ambulance corps, told of his experiences at the regular weekly luncheon of the Rotary club at the Oliver hotel Wednesday noon. Mr. Sibley told of the shelling of Dunkirk and the thrilling experience of the battle of Marne. Mr. Sibley's talk took up all of the time after the luncheon.

ALL FROM SOUTH BEND

Entire 24 Patients at Tuberculosis Hospital of This City.

There are now 24 patients in the St. Joseph County Tuberculosis hospital, according to the monthly report filed with the county auditor Wednesday morning by Supt. James A. Duggan. These patients are all from South Bend and the amount they paid in during the last month was \$85.

NEXT INSTITUTE OCT. 23

Special Speaker Will be Secured to Address Teachers.

Teachers of the city will meet in the second institute to be held under the new state law at the high school on Saturday, Oct. 23. A special speaker is to be secured to address the teachers.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Jay L. Protsman, salesman, 268 Union st.; Helena Schuster, bookkeeper, 1514 Miami st.; William Crichton, gardener; Isabella McClay, seamstress; Andrew J. Kirkley, farmer, Union township; Phoebe Lyons, Union township; John L. Tafelski, laborer; Pearl S. Urbanska, laundress.

STATE PAID HOTEL BILL FOR WITNESS

Sensation is Sprung in Trial of Mayor Bell at Indianapolis. Cross-Examined by Defense.

SALOON KEEPER SAYS HE RECEIVED THREAT

Would Be Put Out of Business if He Did Not Contribute. Tells of Talk With Chief of Police.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 29.—A stormy scene between state and defense attorneys followed by the injection of a dash of spicy testimony enlivened the proceedings in Special Judge Elchhorn's court today soon after the Mayor Bell trial was opened.

Charles W. Clark, who several days ago testified for the state, was recalled to the witness stand for examination over the vigorous protest of Special Pros. Joseph Roach, who jumped to his feet and contended that Clark could not now be recalled for cross examination and asserted that the defense shall call him as one of their own witnesses if he were again to testify.

The court permitted the cross examination, however, and Clark told, in substance, that on the day before he first called as a witness Special Investigator Claude Worley, of the county prosecutor's office, came to Cumberland, where he was working for a telegraph company, brought him to Indianapolis in an automobile belonging to Ernest Roeder, saloon keeper, and one of the defendants in the conspiracy case who has pleaded guilty and acknowledged perjury before the federal grand jury.

Clark further said he was taken to the prosecutor's office where he was placed in custody of a man named Wilson, who afterward took him down town, purchased him a pair of trousers, a suit, a hat and a watch, and returned him to the prosecutor's office.

Later, Clark said, he was taken to a hotel where a woman came to his room and offered to occupy it with him free of cost as everything had been arranged.

The next morning, according to Clark, Wilson called for him and took him to Pros. Rucker's office and later that day he was placed on the witness stand.

The defense at the outset of the trial promised to show that county funds were used by the prosecutor's investigators to entertain prospective witnesses in various ways which they alleged were irregular.

The testimony of Clark created the biggest sensation thus far sprung at the trial. Immediately on the announcement by the defense that Clark would be recalled for cross-examination, the special prosecutor and Asst. Adams held a whispered conversation while Pros. Rucker riveted his eyes on Clark.

While Defense Atty. Miller was examining Clark, Roach interrupted him and a brisk exchange ensued.

Atty. Ryan suggested that if Roach would like to throw another fit, he should get outside. "Wait and see who throws a fit when this case is over."

Argument is Squelched. Judge Elchhorn squelched the argument by ruling that a witness might be examined at any time until the state rested its case.

Clark made a general laughter in the court room when he said that he was shown the bill for the hotel by his entertainment by Fred Wilson and that it included a bath which he did not get.

He acknowledged, however, that the woman "furnished him" stayed with him for "about two hours."

Theodore Stein, jr., county clerk, followed Clark on the stand. He said he remembered a man named Clark who voted in the eighth precinct of the third ward, but failed to identify the witness ahead of him as the man he saw.

Joseph Lane, saloonkeeper, who claims he was told he would be put out of business if he did not contribute to the campaign fund, testified.

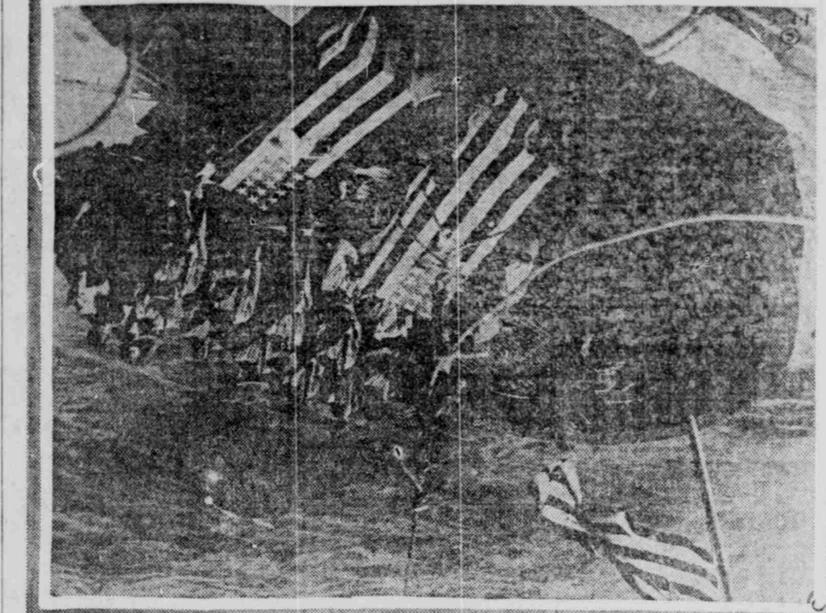
SWABODA HELD AS SPY IS FREED BY REPORT

PARIS, Sept. 29.—Raymond Swaboda, who claims he is an American citizen, but who has been confined in a French prison for many months as a spy for Germany, was cleared of this accusation in an official report submitted today by Commandant Julien, who has conducted an investigation into the prisoner's past life.

It was announced that Swaboda would be freed from Sante prison as soon as the Julien report had been endorsed.

Swaboda was arrested after the fire on the liner LaTouraine, on which he was traveling from the United States to France.

Victims of F-4 Brought Home For Burial



Coffins being lowered from the Supply to the Tug Active, to be carried ashore.

The bodies of the United States sailors who perished on the submarine F-4 when that vessel sank to the bottom of Honolulu harbor in March, and which was raised a few weeks ago, were brought home from Hawaii to America aboard the U. S. S. Supply. At San Francisco, the Tug Active transported the bodies, covered with the American flag, to the shore to be transhipped to their home.

FRIEND OF ALLIES TO PICK CABINET

Bulgarian Ministry Headed by Premier Radoslavoff Has Collapsed.

PARIS, Sept. 29.—A dispatch from Sofia states that the cabinet headed by Premier Radoslavoff has collapsed.

King Ferdinand has asked M. Malinoff, a friend of England, France and Russia, to form a new cabinet.

The reported selection of Mr. Malinoff for the post of premier is taken in official French circles as a definite indication that Bulgaria will not support the Teutonic powers, but will at least maintain neutrality in accordance with the pledges which have been sent.

Premier Radoslavoff has been regarded as the strongest statesman in Bulgaria. He reached the climax of his career on July 29, 1911, when he became head of the cabinet. His ministry was reappointed on Jan. 5, 1914.

In this Radoslavoff also served as foreign minister ad interim. The other members reappointed were: Minister of finance—M. Toncheff; Minister of justice and education—M. Pechff; Minister of war—Gen. Boyadieff; Minister of commerce—M. Blakoff; Minister of public works—M. Dinicheff; Minister of railways—M. Opostoloff.

BERLIN, Sept. 29.—(By wireless)—A dispatch from Budapest says that British and French troops who will aid Serbia have been landed at Port Kaia in Paterina near Salonika.

(Katerina is on Greek west territory west side of the gulf of Salonika.)

ATHENS, Sept. 29.—Private advices from Sofia report that the appointment of Crown Prince Boris as commander in chief of the Bulgarian army has been cancelled and that numerous German officers who had arrived there to assist the Bulgarian general staff in drafting plans for an attack on Serbia will return to Berlin.

Boris has long been known as an opposer of Russia.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Mrs. Sophie Moslim and her baby daughter were both reported doing nicely today. Mrs. Moslim hurried to the Maimonides hospital late yesterday and in the elevator on the way to an upper floor the baby was born.

WAR VETERANS REPEAT THEIR MARCH OF FIFTY YEARS AGO

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—All that is left of the Grand Army of the Republic—survivors of the shot and shell on the battlefield and conquerors of the ravages of time—marched up Pennsylvania av. here this morning and reproduced the grand review of 50 years ago.

Flanked by the cheering thousands who crowded the sidewalks, saluted by the president of the United States, they were greeted as the heroes of the greatest crisis this country ever had.

They marched under a cloudless sky the white sunlight of late September emphasizing the silver of their hair. From every flagstaff and from all the windows of the buildings along the line of march the stars and stripes floated in the slow breeze.

WILL TRY MAYOR TONIGHT

Many Charges Made Against Gossom of Terre Haute.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Sept. 29.—Impeachment proceedings against Mayor James M. Gossom will be resumed tonight in the city council chamber, the council having decided to hold no session today.

That Gossom maintained a collecting agency to help city employes contribute funds to election conspirators now in prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., was the gist of the evidence presented by the first four witnesses, J. F. Scott, former member of the public works board; Earl Manson, former member of the board of works; Herman Deming, former president of the board; and Henry Raebor, former building inspector.

Raebor declared he had seen Gossom vote several times and the mayor had donated a city sidewalk to a wholesale grocery firm.

COAST GRIPPED BY STORM

Wind Traveling 70 Miles an Hour at New Orleans.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 29.—Telephone officials at noon, here, stated that the wind in New Orleans had attained a velocity of 70 miles an hour. The Postal and Western Union both report only one wire working intermittently to New Orleans. The last word from there says there has been no report of property damage, ships lost or lives lost.

SHIP IS RUN AGROUND

Freighter Isabel and Cargo Will be Saved.

SOUTH NORFOLK, N. J., Sept. 29.—The freighter Isabel, plying between here and New York, did not sink in the sound last night as reported by a boat load of the crew, but was run aground off Shippan Point on Cow Neck to prevent it. Capt. Rowland of the Isabel thinks his steamer hit a submerged wreck of some sort. Knowing he was settling rapidly he ran her aground. Capt. Rowland and 11 men remained aboard and worked all night transferring the cargo from the hold to the upper deck. A tug has been sent to the Isabel, and after temporary repairs she will be floated and sent to dry dock.

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Bands from every section of the country played airs to whose enthusiastic strains these men had made their historic charges 50 or more years ago.

Confederate soldiers, wearing the uniform of gray, occupied seats of honor on the reviewing stand in front of the white house and the rebel regiments marched past.

As Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., retired, leading the line of men who had heard Lincoln and his successor, Pres't Johnson, thank them for their valor, rode up the avenue from the peace monument past the white house, sidewalks became surging seas of fluttering handkerchiefs and waving hats. The various colored rows of the women, the brilliant sunlight and the riot of little flags were the stage setting of what was in many ways the most remarkable parade of the Grand Army.

MEXICANS SHOOT AT U. S. SOLDIERS

No Reply Made by Americans, But Fresh Troops Are Rushed to Border.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Sept. 29.—Mexican "snipers" fired more than 50 shots during the night at American soldiers stationed near Progreso, Texas, to prevent an invasion of the United States, according to military reports received today. The American soldiers threw their rifles and hastily constructed trenches as the bullets sped across the Rio Grande and none was injured.

No reply was made to the firing during the night, but reinforcements were called for when it was learned that the Mexicans numbered more than 600 men, apparently gathered on the south bank of the river for another invasion. Field guns were sent to Progreso to command the crossing.

The situation at Progreso and the murder of Private Richard J. Johnson of the 12th cavalry have brought another crisis on the border. The Mexican quarter in Brownsville was guarded all night because of threats of mob violence after reports reached here that Johnson had been beheaded after being brutally tortured.

SEEK TO PLACE BLAME

Start Investigation of Explosion at Ardmore, Okla.

ARDMORE, Okla., Sept. 29.—Efforts were being made today to fix responsibility for the gasolene explosion and fire of Monday. City authorities after their preliminary investigation charged that the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe officials were guilty of criminal negligence in failing to take the precautions against explosion of the gasolene tank car in accord with the rules of the interstate commerce commission. Final figures on the disaster made public today listed 47 dead, 100 injured, and \$500,000 property loss.

THREE KILLED BY BLAST

POMPTON LAKE, N. J., Sept. 29.—Three men were killed and three others injured in an explosion in the powder mill of the DuPont de Nemours Co., at Haskell today. This is the second big explosion in the Haskell plant since the war began. Great quantities of powder for the allies are being turned out there.

ITALIAN BATTLESHIP IS TORN TO PIECES

ROME, Sept. 29.—Premier Salandra today ordered a thorough investigation of the destruction of the Italian battleship Benedetto Brin, which was torn to pieces by an explosion in Brindisi harbor yesterday afternoon.

Though dispatches from Brindisi state the explosion was entirely accidental, officials of the ministry of marine suspect that in some manner a bomb was placed in or near the battleship magazine by an enemy agent.

According to the latest reports the explosion cost the lives of 342 officers and men, including Rear Admiral Rubin de Cervin, commander of the squadron of which the Benedetto Brin was the flagship.

The Benedetto Brin sank within 20 minutes after the explosion," says a dispatch from Brindisi.

"There was no time to lower boats and only those were saved who were on deck and threw themselves into the water. Though boats were immediately lowered, some of the men in the water, having been badly wounded in the explosion, sank before they

ALLIES GAIN IN DRIVES ON TEUTON LINE

Beat Enemy Back Yard by Yard While They Work Nearer to Important Lines of Communication.

LOSS IN TWO REGIONS PUT AT 120,000 MEN

Figures Based Upon Prisoners Taken and Dead Found Upon Fields in Artois and Champagne Sections.

PARIS, Sept. 29.—Today's official communique reports that the great conflict in Champagne is continuing. During the night groups of Germans numbering 1,000 men, surrendered in the district to the north of Massiges. German artillery has opened a vigorous bombardment of the French trenches north and south of the Aisne river, the French guns promptly replying.

The text of the communique follows: "In Champagne the conflict was without cessation of all the front. In the region to the north of Massiges some new German groups surrendered. Their total reached 1,000 in that sector alone in the course of the night. There was no important action. On the rest of the front the enemy is violently cannonading our trenches to the north and to the south of the Aisne in the region of St. Mar forest, of Troyon and of Vailly. We replied energetically."

BATTLE CONTINUES. PARIS, Sept. 29.—German losses in Artois and the Champagne region up to date were officially estimated at 120,000 men here today.

These figures were based upon the prisoners taken by the allies and the number of German wounded and dead found upon the field where the French and British made their recent gains.

With the French and British now driving against the second and third lines of the Germans in the mighty battle that has developed on the west front, fighting is proceeding in violent storms that are raging all the way from the Vosges mountains to the North sea. Wind and rains are lashing the armies as they surge against the shell battered trenches of the Germans, and the fog which hangs thick and low has rendered artillery fighting and aerial scouting very difficult.

French and British troops have showed the most heroism in meeting the crashing counter attacks of the Germans, and these assaults were not only repulsed with enormous losses, but resulted in fresh gains for the allies.

Conservative estimates now place the number of German prisoners taken north of Arras and in the Champagne districts at 25,000 men and 250 officers. The number of cannon and machine guns taken by the allies is being increased so rapidly that the officers have not time to enumerate them.

Teutons Forced Back. Although the allies have not been able to break through the German line they are beating the Teutonic forces back yard by yard while they work nearer to the important lines of communication by which the Teutonic forces in northern France are being supplied with food and ammunition.

That the Germans have rushed reinforcements from the eastern theater has now been proved by the capture of German soldiers who admitted tactical blunders.

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AERIAL ATTACK MADE ON DEVINSK

Germans Pounding Away at Russ Trenches—Forces in South Retreat.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 29.—German aviators dropped bombs on Devinsk Tuesday, causing fires in several places and killing a number of soldiers, according to reports received by the war office. The raid was a complete failure from a military viewpoint, note of the important defenses being materially damaged.

One of the German aeroplanes was shot down, both the observers and pilot being killed.

The conflict on the Devinsk continues without interruption. Night and day the German artillery is hammering away at the Russian trenches southwest of the city. According to the Army Messenger the situation at Devinsk is similar to that at Warsaw when the Germans made their frontal attacks. As at the Polish fortress, the Kaiser's troops have suffered terrible losses at Devinsk, 7,000 dead having been counted on a front of a mile.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's army, which was defeated by Gen. Evert's left wing on the Oginski canal, has again resumed operations, making several attacks on the front north-east of Pinsk. 7,000 dead having been counted on a front of a mile.

On the Russian left wing in Volhynia, and on the Galician border, the Russian forces are effecting an orderly retreatment.