

TRAPPED MEN IMPLORE WEARY RESCUERS TO SPEED EFFORTS; RELEASE IS REPORTED NEAR

Pair Buried Alive 9 Days Weep Broken-Heartedly as Miners Work Madly Against Time and Death.

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nolds shaft. Pneumatic drills as well as blasting operations were out of the question. The mine is in such a precarious condition that any sudden vibration might cause a cave-in that would kill not only Robertson and Scadding, but a score or more of rescue workers as well.

A toboggan stretcher was taken into the shaft, to be used in dragging the two men to the surface as soon as the miners could break through.

Doctors, nurses and an ambulance waited at the mouth of the pit. Near them exhausted men slept on the ground after having worked all night in the shaft.

Mrs. Robertson, who burst into tears when she talked to her husband earlier in the day, also waited at the shaft, watching all the preparations anxiously.

Amplifier Is Removed

Communication with the trapped men was hampered when an amplifier which had been placed at the end of the miniature telephone circuit at the bottom of the tube had to be pulled up. It made voices from the surface echo in the underground chamber so thunderously that they were almost indistinguishable and only added to the strain on the men whose nerves already were shattered.

Robertson's voice still could be heard on the surface, however. Intermittently through the hours, in tones often hysterical, he had demanded reassurance and had given indications that he feared the rescuers would kill him by blasting. No longer would he believe those on the surface who had told him time and again that rescue was only a matter of an hour or two.

New crews of coal miners were rushed here from Goldenville, 80 miles to the east, to relieve the exhausted rescue workers.

Fall Exhausted at Shaft

They had worked all night in the coal mines and still were black with dust, but they went at once into the depths of the dangerous Reynolds shaft to take up the work of digging out one rock at a time and passing it back. Only one man could work at a time at the end of the shaft.

The men they relieved were too exhausted to get to the bunkhouse and fell in heaps at the shaft head. Officials could not waken them. They just covered them with blankets and let them sleep.

Cries Crush Optimism

The gravest fears were felt for the physical and mental conditions of Scadding and Robertson. Some of their strained talk suggested delirium. Early today, Dr. Robertson had proclaimed ecstatically that he saw slivers of light when those on the surface believed it impossible.

For a short while, physicians and officials had been greatly encouraged because at 4:30 a. m. Dr. Robertson reported that he and Scadding had slept for two hours and felt "better." But when unintelligible cries again came up from the hole, followed by sobbing, optimism vanished.

Medical authorities believed that the men may have advanced cases of pneumonia if rescued alive, and that they might die of exposure after rescue.

For seven days they had endured hunger and the tortures of thirst and starvation in an inky-black prison, unaware that day and night men were working to reach them, certain that they were going to die by the inch-by-inch agony of starvation.

Dies of Hunger, Exposure

Then, early Sunday, a diamond drill sunk a three inch pipe into their prison. The voices of friends and relatives assured them they were going to be rescued. Food, candles, flashlights, stimulants were lowered to them. The comforts and pleasures of the living seemed very close to their tomb, and, almost light-heartedly, they were ready to endure a little more.

During Sunday, Herman R. Magill could endure no more and died from hunger and exposure. Robertson, a surgeon and Magill's intimate friend, bore up bravely, even de-

manded the medicines and foods he believed suitable for himself and Scadding.

But the promised rescue did not take place. Sunday night, all yesterday those on the surface assured them it was only a matter of hours. Early today the frightful torture of frustrated expectancy, perhaps worse than the torture of thirst and hunger, bore it fruit.

Robertson was seized with an obsession that those on the surface were going to blast with dynamite and kill him and Scadding outright. He begged them not to blast. He demanded assurance after assurance that they wouldn't blast.

Then he demanded to know why he could no longer hear the pneumatic drill that had been used in a partly dug vertical shaft when it was decided to risk the dangerous Reynolds shaft. He wouldn't be reassured, and the drill was used periodically merely to comfort him.

Voice Weak and Shriill

The voice of Scadding was heard at 8:30 p. m. through a tiny microphone lowered through the three-inch pipe. It was pitifully weak, shrill, and those on the ground could hear the short gasps of a person breathing under either physical or emotional stress.

In the Reynolds shaft, abandoned 25 years ago, because even then its sides and ceiling were in imminent danger of collapse, the digging had proceeded to the point where only one man could work in the hole at a time.

Work Slow, Tedious

He chipped away at the rock and dirt, then stooped, picked up what he had loosened, handed it to a man directly behind him, who passed it to a man behind him, and so on until it was conveyed hand by hand to the surface.

This tedious labor had been going on since early yesterday, when it was decided to risk everything on a desperate drive to reach the imprisoned men through the dangerous shaft. Hourly since then, the rescuers had hoped to break through. Three hundred men worked at the back-breaking task in short shifts. All were exhausted.

Three feet of water were on the floor of the mine tunnel. To get the brandy and concentrated liquid food lowered in test tubes at intervals, Dr. Robertson had to leave the damp crevice where he and Scadding perched and waded through the water to the end of the pipe that was sunk into their tomb early Sunday with a diamond drill.

The water was rising very slowly and apparently it would be a matter of days before it could get high enough to endanger them. By that time, they will be dead or rescued. The water was seeping through the ceiling and walls of the tunnel, making their prison wet and cold.

'Gloomy Sunday' Chords Cry in City as Suicides Stimulate Song's Sales

Pianos, Phonographs Play to Prove Psychological Powers.

BY JOHN JOHNSON

Apparently unconcerned over the ill-starred history of "Gloomy Sunday," the Hungarian suicide song, hundreds of Indianapolis residents today played the melancholy tune on their pianos and phonographs.

Local music store clerks, a little tired of hearing the tune pounded on the keyboards and sighing from records, admitted their stocks were nearly sold out.

This reporter heard the song three times and found his reactions normal. Paul Whitman "double dared" fate by recording the song on Friday, the thirteenth.

To date, one University of Michigan student and 26 despondent persons in Budapest are supposed to have ended their lives after listening to the minor strains.

Dr. Max Bahr, superintendent of the Central Indiana Hospital and a noted psychiatrist, finds a psychological interpretation in the effect of the song.

"This may be similar to Goethe's 'Sorrow of Werther,'" Dr. Bahr said. "When that book was published, the German government found it necessary to ban it, because an epidemic of suicides swept the country."

"A person who is temperamentally despondent naturally would have his despondency increased by anything of a depressing nature. And his despondency might be pushed so far that suicide would result."

"Of course, there is something wrong with such persons fundamentally. No normal person would be so affected."

A young woman, observed listening to the Whitman record in a music store, shuddered and turned aside. "Once is enough for me," she said.

A clerk at the same store said, "There are songs which would cause

me to commit suicide much more quickly than 'Gloomy Sunday,' specifically 'Trees' sung by a throaty contralto."

One store had sold out its sheet music copies and had only one phonograph record left. Others reported a heavy demand.

Two years old, "Gloomy Sunday" was composed by Seress Reszo, with words by Lazo Javer. It did not become popular until the wave of suicides began. The English lyric expresses the mood of a lover, despondent because his sweetheart is dead, who has resolved to end his own life.

Musically, the song is a repetitious slow triplet figure in a minor key with a short, more cheerful interlude in a major key. The harmony continually changes.

"Gloomy Sunday" is a Slavic version of hill-billy songs like "They Cut Down the Old Pine Tree." One music critic observed, "It is not jazz, and people who dance to it would dance to 'She's More to Be Pitied Than Censured.'"

SPEAKER GIVES BRIGHT VIEW

Electric League Luncheon Held Today at Home Show.

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in advertising this program," he said.

"It is encouraging to the national bureau to see newspapers running special editions and sections on home modernization. This is especially true in Indianapolis."

Co-sponsors with the Electric League in building the Electrohome, centerpiece of the exposition, the Indianapolis Home Builders Association is to hold a dinner at the show tonight at 6.

Speakers at the exposition yesterday included Mrs. Alice Johnson, Washington, field representative of the Federal Housing Administration; Mrs. H. P. Wilwerth, president of the Indianapolis Council of Garden Clubs; Frank Riehlman, president of the Allied Florists of Indianapolis; and Mrs. Minor Golding, Garden Clubs of Indiana secretary.

CHURCH BODY TO PICK DIRECTORS ON MAY 11

Lutheran Brotherhood to Be Named at Synod Meeting.

Directors of the Indiana Lutheran Synodical Brotherhood are to be named at a regular meeting of the synod in Evansville on May 11. Robert Maggart, Albion, and J. P. Lantz, Middlebury, were nominated for the directorate at closing sessions of the annual convention yesterday in St. Mark's Church.

Officers named at the convention are Oliver C. Fetta, Indianapolis, president; J. A. Lechler, Fort Wayne, vice president; John C. Spiegel, Indianapolis, secretary; and W. C. Milhous, Indianapolis, treasurer.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

Sunrise 4:58 Sunset 6:29

TEMPERATURE

7 a. m. 45 10 a. m. 62

1 p. m. 62 4 p. m. 62

6 a. m. 41 10 a. m. 54

1 p. m. 54 4 p. m. 54

7 a. m. 34 1 p. m. 36

BAROMETER

7 a. m. 29.75 1 p. m. 29.11

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m. .00

Total precipitation since Jan. 1. 6.33

Deficiency since Jan. 1. 3.38

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.

Station Weather Bar. Temp.

Amarillo, Tex. Cloudy 30.16 44

Bismarck, N. D. Clear 30.58 50

Boston Rain 29.64 46

Chicago Cloudy 30.12 34

Cincinnati Cloudy 29.84 68

Denver Cloudy 30.28 40

Des Moines Cloudy 30.24 36

Helena, Mont. Cloudy 30.18 40

Jackson, Miss. Cloudy 30.18 42

Little Rock, Ark. Cloudy 30.00 64

Los Angeles Clear 29.98 58

Miami, Fla. Cloudy 30.18 72

Minneapolis Clear 30.24 28

Mobile, Ala. Cloudy 30.18 62

New Orleans Cloudy 30.14 64

New York City Cloudy 30.18 58

Oklahoma City Cloudy 30.08 50

Omaha, Neb. Cloudy 30.38 30

Pittsburgh Cloudy 29.72 64

Portland, Ore. Cloudy 29.88 54

San Antonio, Tex. Rain 29.96 64

San Francisco Cloudy 29.96 54

St. Louis Rain 30.00 44

St. Paul Cloudy 30.00 44

Three YOUTHS BURNED WHEN TANK EXPLODES

Fire Does \$750 Damage to Auto and Garage.

Three persons were recovering from burns today, received in a fire last night in the garage in the rear of 1432 Sturm-av. The estimated damage to the garage and an auto in it is \$750.

Warren La Bonte, 15, of 1430 Sturm-av, was burned on the legs and feet. His cousin, Paul Saxe, 20, 1430 Sturm-av, received burns on the legs and Lewis T. Gootee, 1432 Sturm-av, was burned on the head.

According to Saxe, the fire started when a lighted match was dropped on an oil-soaked rug in the Saxe garage. A gasoline tank exploded.

C. E. MASON TO LEAD NOTRE DAME ALUMNI

Local Club Elects, Joins in Celebration.

Charles E. Mason is to direct activities of the Notre Dame Club of Indianapolis for the coming year.

Other officers named at the thirteenth annual universal Notre Dame celebration last night at the Athenaeum are William H. Krieg, vice president; Francis P. McCarthy, secretary; J. A. Smith, treasurer; and Thomas Jones, John Rocap and Thomas J. Meeker, board of governors members.

The local club met at the same time that 85 other alumni clubs throughout the country were observing the event.

Deery Talk Broadcast

An address by James E. Deery, city corporation counsel, broadcast over WIRE, was one of 200 similar radio programs preceding a national hookup broadcast over the NBC chain.

The local club heard Dr. Lawrence H. Bolding, head of the university pharmacy department, and Dr. Andrew Boyle of the chemistry department.

The Rev. John F. O'Hara, C. S. C., Notre Dame president, and the Most Rev. John M. McNamara, D. D., auxiliary bishop of Baltimore, were principal speakers in the national broadcast originating at a meeting of the Notre Dame Club of the District of Columbia.

GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Negro Pleads Guilty to Murder After Indictment.

A few minutes after he was indicted on charges of first and second degree murder, James Kendrick, 28-year-old Negro, today pleaded guilty before Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker of fatally stabbing Ranciel Williams, Negro, last Wednesday. He was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Indiana State Prison.

COUNCIL AGAIN DELAYS ACTION ON TAXI BILL

Measure to Be Revised for Fifth Time; Appropriation Ordinances Pass.

Already revised four times, the proposed taxicab ordinance is scheduled for a fifth rearrangement before the Indianapolis Common Council puts it to vote.

Last night James E. Deery, city corporation counsel, fired a salvo of amendments at it, and the council deliberated for an hour over these and other changes.

It was decided to take no action except to appoint a committee to consider the ordinance as revised. Chief dissenter was Councilman Adolph Fritz, representative of organized labor, who objected to cab drivers having to work 12 hours a day. He said he thought one cab for every 1000 of population was too many, a position in which he was supported by others on the council.

Three appropriation ordinances were adopted. One provides for the transfer of the gasoline tax fund amounting to \$159,953.84 to the Works-Sanitation Board, the City Engineer's Department and the Street Commissioner's Department; another transfers \$8000 to the legal department for the adjustment of claims.

The third transfers \$3000 to the city engineer to pay salaries of temporary inspectors of Works Progress Administration projects, and the fourth transfers \$903.46 to the Health Department.

A measure which would repeal the anti-picketing ordinance also was held over for the next meeting, as was an ordinance providing for the transfer of \$430 to the Board of Safety.

John A. Royce, attorney, representing the Saddle Horse Association, appeared in support of an ordinance introduced by Councilman Ross Wallace requiring motorists to give right of way to horseback riders where bridle paths intersect boulevards.

A committee from the Council is to meet with Mr. Royce next Tuesday for further study of the measure.

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PRINCESS 10 TODAY



By United Press

LONDON, April 21.—Princess Elizabeth, second heir to the throne, whom many expect to rule some day as Queen Elizabeth II, spent her tenth birthday quietly today at the Royal Lodge at Windsor Castle.

As an unprecedented treat, the Princess had breakfast with her parents, the Duke and Duchess of York, and their guests, Queen Mary, mother of King Edward VIII and the Princess's grandmother, was one guest.

King Edward's gift was kept a secret, for later in the day.

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Gum Proves Costly

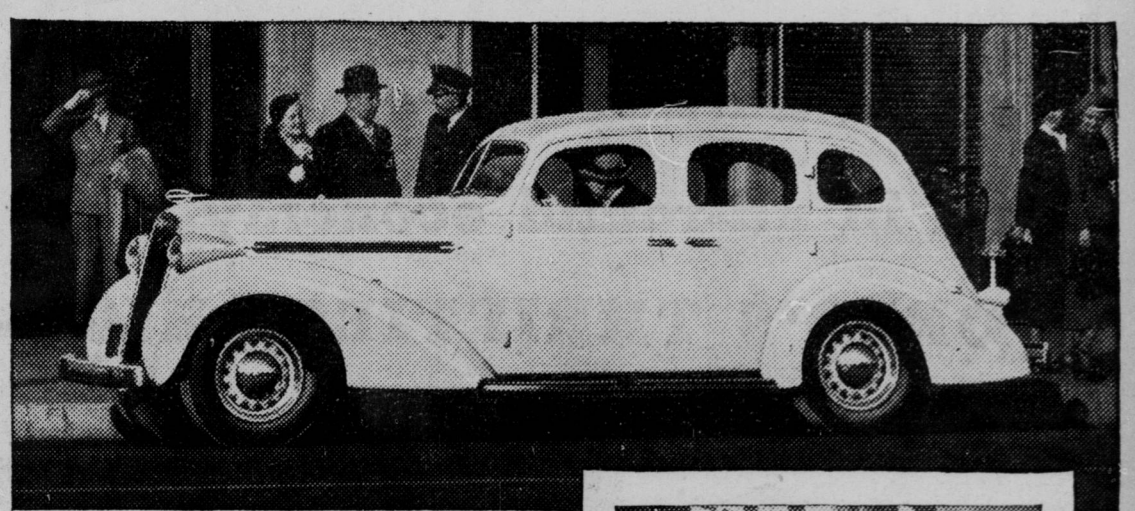
By United Press

CHICO, Cal., April 21.—A stick of chewing gum cost John Nopel his automobile. He started to open it while driving and the car crashed into a bridge.

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