

Aroused by Murder, Pastors Denounce Liquor Traffic

Partial Blame for Death of Police Officers Placed by Clergy on People of City

COMMUNITY MUST BEAR PART BLAME OF TRAGEDY

"Is the community at large responsible for the tragedy at the Pennsylvania freight house Friday night?" This question was presented by Charles E. Tabbetta at the West Richmond Friends' church yesterday.

"Three lives have gone out into darkness, two women have been left widows with two small children and the children have been made orphans. Two of the men went out quickly and one is in worse darkness still awaiting his fate in the county prison and the public demanding his speedy execution."

"This brings home to us the serious question as to where lies the responsibility. All the reports given of the man at the homes where he lived say that he has a gentle disposition and that he is easy to get along with. But suddenly he is transformed into a fiend and starts the community. What causes the change?"

"The community sustains and fos-

ters an institution whose business transforms men from peaceful citizens to demons and the serious question must come home to us as to whether the community is not responsible in an indirect way."

ETERNITY'S PROMISE GIVEN BY CHRIST

By comparison of the life of Christ with those of other great men, Rev. L. E. Murray proved "The Incomparable Christ" at the morning service of the First Christian church yesterday morning.

The resemblance between Socrates, the great philosopher, and Christ, was pointed out. Socrates gave no assurance of a future life, and Jesus pointed his followers to life eternal. This makes Jesus incomparable."

HINKLE CALLS PEOPLE TO CAST OUT SALOONS

"How long shall the liquor traffic, the child of Hell, be allowed to cause such tragedies as occurred last Friday night in our city?" said Rev. Milo S. Hinkle, at the East Main street Friends' church yesterday morning.

"The time has come—with this tragedy before us—for Christian men to rise and cast out forever this hellish business. Richmond and Wayne county ought to arise now and establish peace, safety and righteousness in place of this awful business which destroys and ruins mankind."

WHISKEY CAUSED MURDER HARMAN TELLS CHURCH

"Whiskey is responsible for the crime of Friday night," said Rev. Harry C. Harman, at the First Methodist church yesterday evening. "The citizens of our fine old city should think long and hard, as to whether or not we can longer stand for the legalized saloon and the product of its business."

Speaking from a text in Proverbs, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is a trouble maker, and they who are deceived by these are not wise," Dr. Harman declared against the saloon to an audience which filled the church auditorium.

The occurrence has placed a blot on the reputation of the city he declared.

"This is not the first tragedy of its kind, and it will not be the last unless the citizens eliminate the influences

BAPTISM OF FIRE STIMULATES CHURCH

The baptism by fire was the term used by Rev. Francis A. Roell in describing the burning of St. Andrew's Catholic church 15 years ago at the sermon service of the church yesterday.

He said that although the burning of the old structure worked several hardships at the time, it has in some ways proved a blessing. The congregation has grown much since that time in numbers and spirit.

EUROPE FEARS U. S. RELIEF IS "CHARITY"



A feeling that American relief sent to the allied soldiers is meant as a "charity" has caused some misunderstanding between the American and European relief committees. This declaration is made today by Miss Carita Spencer, who has just returned from the front where she was sent to inspect the distribution of surgical dressings.

RICHMOND CITIZENS BLAMED FOR MURDER

"The citizens of Richmond are responsible for the tragedy of Friday night because they have permitted the liquor traffic to exist in their city," declared Rev. J. P. Chamness at the evening services of the Fairview Methodist church.

"The tragedy was a product of the saloon," Christian responsibility, he said, should remove such blots from a community.

REV. STOVALL

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We do believe in your courage in the face of danger.

ASK GOOD CONDITIONS.

But however faithful may be those who patrol the beats, it is not within the realm of human possibilities that our protection shall be complete unless the citizens of the city establish such conditions of safety as will reduce the hazard to life and property to the minimum. The safety of our community cannot be maintained by human devices, but it depends rather on the regard the citizens have for God and righteousness.

SELFISHNESS MEANS DANGER.

The palmist lived a long time ago, and there were many conditions in his day that were different from those of our day, but there was one condition that has not changed and never will change so long as God lives, and that is that the safety of the city is assured only in so far as godliness prevails. Citizens, watchmen, and all are in danger when selfishness shapes our policies.

The business that is responsible for the deaths of Elmer Stephenson and Mort Little is a business that Richmond has said that it wants. A bullet has snipped the hair by which our city has suspended above itself the sword of Damocles, and that sword has fallen upon the heads of these two brave men. Personal liberty has reached its logical conclusion.

Henceforth when Richmond drinks from its cup of personal liberty, let her remember that mingling with her drink are blood and tears. Dear friends our better judgment tells us that the sacrifice is too great. Whatever may be our personal desires, whatever may be for our material interests, does not the manhood in us tell us that the cost is too great?

I have been asked by the family of Elmer Stephenson to speak on this occasion. My heart has been full ever since I learned of the tragedy which brought grief to that home. A fine, manly young man of whom family and friends and former associates were justly proud.

I have been in the home and felt the anguish that is in the heart of that devoted wife, that almost worshipping mother, that loving sister and those strong men, fathers and brothers. I have seen those dear little tots who cannot realize that their father is gone, playing around in their innocence.

And I have said to myself, what must be their consolation in this hour. There is comfort in knowing that he was good and kind at home. There is comfort in knowing that he was a true and faithful officer, and that he died doing his duty. But dear friends, there is a stronger consolation than this, and that is that hope in Jesus Christ whom he learned to trust in his boyhood days.

REV. MURRAY PRAYS FOR DEED TO STIR CITY AGAINST DRINK

When Rev. L. E. Murray prayed at the First Christian church yesterday morning that the loss of two policemen's lives Friday night might "serve to awaken Richmond to the evil of the liquor traffic," which he termed as being responsible for the trouble. There was a response of "amen" from all men present.

CHURCH EXPRESSES REGRET OVER DEATH OF POLICE OFFICERS

Resolutions expressing regret at the loss of Policemen Stephenson and Little and pledging the Central Christian church to renewed opposition to the liquor traffic were adopted by that church yesterday as follows:

"Resolved, That the Tabernacle Christian church and Bible school express their deepest sympathy for the sorrowing wives and families of Policemen Little and Stephenson in their recent bereavement. In the loss of their husbands and fathers while in the prosecution of their duty as officers of peace, law and order of Richmond."

Be it further resolved, That this church and Bible school place itself on record as enemies of the liquor traffic, under whose influence this terrible tragedy has stained the fair name of our city and citizens. That we call upon every person with a spark of humanity and moral stamina to arise and array themselves in solid phalanx against this terrible foe of humanity and free our city of its curse.

THOS. H. ADAMS, Pastor.
R. L. BABYLON, Superintendent Sunday School.
Richmond, Ind., July 9th, 1916.

NICHOLSON URGES MINISTERS TO ACT

"I have never known a more clearly cut proof of the evil of the liquor traffic than the tragedy of Saturday morning," said Timothy Nicholson, today.

Mr. Nicholson encouraged many of the pastors of Richmond churches to make mention of the murder in their sermons of yesterday. He stated to-day that he believed this to be an opportune moment for the anti-saloon forces to strike a decisive blow.

GIVES POPE \$121.60

It was announced yesterday at St. Mary's Catholic church that \$121.60 has been collected from the congregation for what is known as the Peter Pence collection. This goes for the support of the pope and his work.

This is the largest sum by far which has ever been donated by this church in the annual collection.

WAGE SHAM BATTLE

Richmond boy scouts engaged in sham battle maneuvers at the school house of Henley Road yesterday afternoon. The boys were divided into two armies, and put into practice their theoretical knowledge of warfare.

Following the sham battle the scouts were put through a rigid drill. Wednesday night they will hold another drill at Morton Park.

REPORT ON CONVENTION.

Reports of the State Sunday School convention were made by Anna Schneider, Cora Getz, and George C. Bartel before the St. Paul's Lutheran Sunday School yesterday morning. Because of inability to fill the pulpit there were no church services.



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BRIDGE SOUNDS CALL FOR VOTE ON SALOONS

"In the final analysis a certain class of our citizens who permitted the saloon to exist are responsible for the death of two fine men last Friday night," said Rev. U. S. A. Bridge, at the Grace Methodist church Sunday morning.

"The blame must rest especially upon those who hold the balance of power, members of some of our churches particularly, of whom we would expect more than of the saloon keeper. If they had stood with the dry forces in the recent election, the crime would never have occurred."

"The death of two of our fine citizens, if it creates a wave of indignation and drives the saloon from the city, will not have occurred in vain. It will be supreme sacrifice for the greatest good of all."

BRITISH HERO OF SKAGER RACK

Admiral Sir David Beatty, whose advance squadrons were the first to engage the German fleet in the now historic battle off Jutland.



HOLD ANNUAL OUTING.

The annual picnic of the Earlham Heights Presbyterian church will be held in Glen Miller park next Saturday afternoon. A special car will leave Easthaven avenue at 1 o'clock for Glen Miller.

Machinery is being used for trench digging in some of the Canadian camps.

Rev Mr. Bridge, stated that he believed if the anti-saloon forces would immediately attempt an election, the dries could easily secure a majority vote.

TAKE SPECIAL OFFERING.

Rev. F. A. Roell announced yesterday that \$100 had been collected at the St. Andrew's church for the annual Peter Pence collection which goes for the support of the pope.

CHURCH BOARD MEETS.

The question of installing a new furnace in the church will probably come up for consideration at the official board meeting of the First Christian church tonight, Rev. L. E. Murray said today.

HOLDS LIQUOR TRADE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR DOUBLE MURDER

"Liquor was directly responsible for the tragedy last Friday night," said S. Edgar Nicholson, in a temperance address at the North Fourteenth Street mission yesterday.

"People are beginning to ask how much longer Richmond will be willing to pay such a price to keep the saloons in our city."

The talk was particularly addressed to the members of the Sunday school.

LUTHERANS DEFER ORGAN'S PURCHASE

Plans for further improvements of the church property of the First English Lutheran church were deferred until a later date at a congregational meeting yesterday morning. The additional improvements which were under consideration were a new organ and new church pews.

The congregation approved the committee appointed to supervise improvements which were ordered a week ago.

The morning services were conducted by Dr. D. H. Bauslin, of Wittenberg college.

BUNDY TOOK PHOTOS

Photographs from which the cuts of Officers and Little which were reproduced in the fourth edition of the Palladium Saturday evening were furnished by the Bundy Photograph studio. The pictures supplied by Bundy was unusually clear, making a splendid newspaper cuts. The picture of Eli S. Carr, the murderer, was taken by Roy Wenger.

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dogs. Everybody wants to destroy at once such destroyers of human life and human happiness. We are not willing to take chances with such things.

We were awakened early Saturday morning with the cry ringing from the streets, "The double murder."

Two brave policemen are dead.

What are these men worth to their families? What are they worth to the community? When they were alive we did not know their real worth. Those who knew them said they were brave. They have proven their bravery and their worth. For the time being they had no self interest, only one thought impelled them, duty. They were worth more to their families and to the community than all the booze that was ever sold in Richmond. Somebody made the booze and somebody sold it and a big majority of voters of this city virtually endorsed the license of the man who sold it on the twenty-fourth day of March, 1914.

LIVES ARE OFFERING. If a blind tiger had sold the liquor that fired the brain of the murderer then the blind tiger would have been responsible for the awful deed.

The lives of these noble men is only a fractional part of the offering on the altar of John Barleycorn every year.

The rum business knows no law, no Sabbath and no God; is a blight on civilization of this age and ought in the name of Christian religion be blotted from the face of the earth.

HOLDS UNION WORSHIP

EATON, O., July 10.—Rev. William H. Wehrly, D. D., of Dayton, superintendent of the M. E. conference of the Dayton district, addressed a union meeting held Sunday evening in St. Paul's M. E. church. Regular services at all other churches were called off on account of the meeting.

Letter List

The following letters remain unclaimed at the local postoffice and will be sent to the dead letter office if not called for within two weeks.

Women—Lottie Berry, Miss Ruth Mary Callahan, Bertha Cochran, Mrs. Kate Cooley, Miss Mary Critchlow, Miss Anna J. Diehl, S. E. Gates, Mrs. W. H. Graham, Mrs. Charlie Gregg, Miss Katie Johnson, Miss Elizabeth Kennedy, Miss Mary Lambert, Helen Randall, Mrs. Jane Ray, Miss Mabel Stittloth, Sarah H. Sparks.

Men—Jesse Bogue, W. S. Bush, John Branson, Walter G. Burton, Edward Condit, Bruce Davidson, M. S. Davison, Stewart Donley, Ted Farria, L. H. Galtner, Harland Hock, Ralph Hockett, Prof. Hufor, J. E. Jarvis, Roy Jones, Mike Kalomic, N. Levenson, Frank Mallory, Roy Means, Earl Miller, P. Mitchell, Richard Mulhill, Harlan Reeder, Fred W. Seovell, Robert Sfarfer, E. J. Wilcox, C. M. Winchester.

Miscellaneous. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Miller and family. Admitted July 8, 1916, Richmond, Ind.

C. B. BECK, P. M.

Wyoming hills have been found rich with potash.

Taking Big Chances.

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.—adv.

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