

BAND OF PLOTS THINK THE OFFICERS

Based On Letters Found Among Effects of Suspect

DAMAGE TO CHURCHES

Thought This Secret Organization Has Its Headquarters Under Vatican Shadow

[United Press Dispatch.]

Minneapolis, Minn., February 15.—It is believed that the Minneapolis police have located two persons, much wanted in Chicago since the poisoning of quite a number of people at a banquet. These two are Jean Crones, believed to be one of the principal men of a committee of Italian anarchists, working in America to destroy churches and church officials, and Sophia Bresci, widow of the assassin of the late King Humbert of Italy. It is said that the two supposed anarchists are hiding in a house on Lincoln street. A message to that effect has already been sent to the Chicago police force and John Martico, a Chicago detective, will probably soon arrive in Minneapolis to take charge of the work of running the suspects down. It is believed that the Minneapolis police are planning a raid on the house where the two are supposed to be.

Chicago, Ill., February 15.—That there is a band of plotters, thoroughly organized, and working all the way from Italy to New York, and from New York across this country, for the purpose of exterminating priests, bishops and other church officials, is now the declared belief of the Chicago police department. The police believe that this secret body has its headquarters in Rome, under the very shadow of the vatican.

The police look on the recent wholesale poisoning that took place at the banquet given in honor of Archbishop Munderlein as a mere incident in the general plot to kill off church officials.

Theory Based on Letters.
This theory of the police is based on letters found among the effects of John Allegriani, who is being held as a confederate of Jean Crones, for whom the police are looking as the arch-conspirator of the whole poison plot. Letters that were found in a trunk, which was discovered when Allegriani's rooms were raided, indicate that there is a plot to destroy churches and church prelates. The whole matter of carrying on this work of destruction in America seems to have been entrusted to a special committee of fifteen.

Curious Pictures of Churches.
In the letters are found some very curious pictures of churches that are first to be made away with. These letters seem to explain the recent catastrophe at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church in New York, the burning of some churches in Chicago and the poisoning at the banquet given in honor of Archbishop Munderlein.

Allegriani persists in maintaining absolute silence.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Waukegan, Ill., February 15.—Further arrests, it is said, are about to take place in connection with the mysterious death of Marian Lambert. Ralph Bady, the state's attorney, intimates this much and he further states that he is quietly working on his chain of evidence around William Orpet, the student of the University of Wisconsin, who is now under arrest on the charge of having murdered the girl. It is believed that Mr. Bady will interrogate all of the employees on the estate of Cyrus McCormick, the millionaire, where Orpet had access, and here it is reported he used to meet the girl secretly in the woods.

Orpet Has Lived on Estate.
Orpet has lived on that estate and the employees know him well. The circumstance of his having purchased an empty bottle shortly before the girl's dead body was found is believed to be a clue on which detectives are working. This and various other suspicious circumstances that have come to light seem to have worried Orpet, though he maintains his composure and declares his innocence.

"I am not guilty of that crime at all, boys," Orpet said in his cell today to a group of reporters. He was personally known to many of them, for he was once a newspaper correspondent in these parts himself.

"Do the people living around the home of the girl believe I am guilty," he asked anxiously.

"Yes, they seem to," was the frank answer.

"You may tell them and tell the world that I declare that I am absolutely innocent," said Orpet emphatically.

Attitude of Girls Mother.

It is believed that Mrs. E. I. Lambert, mother of the dead girl, is actually working in favor of the accused. This has been denied by the state's attorney, but the story persists, nevertheless. "What is the use of punishing Will?" she was heard to remark.

Her husband talks in an entirely different way. He says he believes the young man is guilty and all he asks is that justice be done. Mrs. Orpet declares that her son is innocent. She is a kindly-looking, gray-haired lady of fifty-five. She was perfectly calm, and at times even smiled, when she was interviewed yesterday.

Madison, Wis., February 15.—Charles Hassinger, the clerk in a local drug store who supplied William Orpet with an abortive drug and who also is said to have supplied Orpet with a two ounce bottle, departed for Waukegan, Ill., in the company of a

detective to assist possibly in shedding light on the mystery in connection with the death of Marian Lambert, with whose murder Orpet has been charged.

Waukegan, Ill., February 15.—The state prosecutor said today that he had completed his web of evidence about William Orpet, who is charged with the murder of Marian Lambert, and he states that he is now ready for trial.

Hassinger Is Fined.

Madison, Wis., February 15.—Charles Hassinger, local druggist, who confessed to selling an abortive drug to William Orpet, now charged with the murder of Marian Lambert, has been fined \$25 for selling drugs illegally.

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Owing to the blowing out of a cylinder head on the Omaha train that was due at Mankato at 1:20 yesterday afternoon from Lake Crystal, the proceedings of the Blue Earth county district court were delayed two hours yesterday. The trial of the suit of C. C. Harris against Albert Spencer and A. M. Spencer which was to have been resumed at two o'clock yesterday afternoon was delayed until four o'clock. The two defendants, father and son, both of Ceresco, were on the delayed train. On the same train were also three of the jurors, Norman Tweed, Ole Hellckson and William F. Jones, all of Lake Crystal, and also A. C. Remel of Madelia, attorney for the defense.

Another circumstance that seemed to indicate that the trial was to be delayed was the fact that George Muellerlele, another juror of Madison Lake, was also delayed by a late train. The Great Western train that should have brought him to Mankato yesterday at 12:40 did not come until two o'clock. This train was delayed by rough weather and drifting snow.

The Omaha train, which blew out the cylinder head, was disabled two and a half miles west of Minneapolis. The iron rod, connected with the drive wheel broke in two, and swung round and round, battering the sheeting off the side of the engine. Engineer D. Jenkins was for a time in a very perilous situation.

A switch engine was sent from Mankato to get the disabled train, and another engine was coupled at Mankato to resume the journey.

Candidates for presidential elector will not appear on the presidential primary ballot March 14, because just enough filed for electors on each party ballot to fill out the required number of twelve. The names will be certified as nominees of their parties and placed on the November election ballot without further proceeding. The electors of the four parties are:

Republican—J. S. Arneson, Walter N. Carroll, Guy V. Howard, James A. Larson, Edwin Mattson, E. M. Meigl, Charles J. Moes, Peter Schaefer, J. S. Scribner, W. H. Wescott.

Democratic—Mal D. Clark, Charles L. Conger, Howard Everett, George Glotzbach, W. V. Kane, George A. O'Donnell, James B. Ormond, John E. Stryker, Merrill C. Tift, A. P. Yngve, J. E. Hennessey, Robert W. Hargadine.

Prohibitionist—P. J. Anderson, George H. Andrews, Charles M. Benham, Edward G. Hannmer, H. C. Hanson, J. E. Lobeck, J. H. Morton, A. W. Piper, William B. Riley, J. Frank Stout, C. L. Sulerud, G. Hood Thompson.

Progressive—Harvey B. Bortel, William R. Fisher, Kenneth P. Gregg, William H. Hamilton, Alexander King, Fred H. Linn, Edward J. Meier, J. G. Millspaugh, O. M. Peabody, E. H. Smith, John Watson, J. W. Wright.

Within a Dreamy Harbor.....

.....Anita Dewitt Cooke, St. Paul Violin solos, Mrs. Minnie Hubbard: Cradle Song.....

.....Richard Czerwonky, Minneapolis Scherzo.....

.....Stanley R. Avery, Minneapolis Songs, by Miss Lulusdorff:

When Song Is Sweet.....

.....Gertrude San Souci Love is a Rose.....

I Ask the Sun.....

.....Paul Knox Allen, Minneapolis Violin solo, Mrs. Hubbard:

Romanze.....Richard Czerwonky, Piano, Miss Brown:

.....Gustavus Johnson, Minneapolis

Following the program a social

hour was enjoyed and dainty refreshments were served. The evening

proved a very pleasant one, as well

as unique, and showed conclusively that Minnesota people do not need to travel far from home to find the best in music.

Party For Miss Florence Nelson.

Miss Florence Nelson was the guest of honor last evening at a party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Swan Johnson, 708 North Second street. Miss Nelson is taking a course in nursing at Immanuel Hospital, and will graduate in five weeks, and the affair last evening was planned by her friends in celebration of the event.

The commissioners were non-committal. They were inclined to doubt whether the state of their finances would allow them to give the \$15,000 requested or to promise it. The big delegation that came was a unit in promising that the city of Mankato would go ahead with the bridge, if Blue Earth county would promise aid in the sum of \$15,000, and Nicollet county would promise \$10,000.

The commissioners promised to have the county auditor look up the exact state of the various funds and see whether the county could give anything at once or promise anything.

The delegation included City Councilmen M. J. Bekke, Robert Lamm, A. G. Laach and G. W. Eichstaedt, City Attorney Phillips, Charles T. Taylor, E. F. Searing, John Nyquist, John Hohmann, Ed Brett, H. A. Patterson, W. D. Willard, F. M. Currier, C. H. Saulpaugh, Fred Korn and others. It was a very representative gathering, and a unit in its enthusiasm for the immediate construction of the bridge.

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Engineer Chris Brustad of Local Freight Train No. 21 of the Omaha was hurt in a collision with Time Freight No. 18 at Le Sueur yesterday afternoon at five o'clock. He managed to save his life by crawling out of the window and getting out of harm's way along the running board, as his engine was demolished by the bigger locomotive. As it was two of his teeth were knocked out and he received a cut on the forehead.

It was known that the engines would meet there, but, owing to slippery rails the air-brakes on the larger engine failed to work, just as that locomotive rounded a curve and came into view of No. 1. Mr. Brustad tried to back his engine out of harm's

way but could not avoid the collision.

Mr. Brustad lives in St. Paul.

Brakeman Harry Hanson of Mankato was on the time freight. He leaped into a snow bank and scrambled out just in time to escape being crushed under a mass of corn and debris, which piled up on the same spot, when a corn-laden car broke in two.

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are both novel and interesting, consisting, as they do, of solos for clarinet, violin and cello; numbers for strings alone as well as brilliant selections for the entire club.

Wittrock-Wittrock.

At St. Peter and Paul's Catholic church this morning at high mass, Mrs. Augusta Wittrock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Landwehr, of Elbow Woods, North Dakota, and Mr. Edward F. Wittrock, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wittrock of Mankato township, were united in marriage, Rev. Father Hartman, S. J. officiating. Miss Marcelle Meuer acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. George Wittrock, a brother of the groom, was best man. The bride was attired in a handsome tailored traveling costume of navy blue cloth, with hat and accessories to match, and wore a corsage bouquet of white hyacinths. The bride also wore a dark blue suit. Following the church service the wedding party were taken to the home of Mrs. John Lang, 327 North Front street, where they were entertained at an elegant course wedding luncheon, covers being laid for fourteen guests. The decorations were in Valentine day effects, with hearts and cupids mingled with flowers and foliage. After a wedding trip to St. Paul and St. Cloud, where they will visit with relatives Mr. and Mrs. Wittrock will return to Mankato, and will make their home upon a farm in Mankato township.

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Delightful Musical Program Given by Zetetic Club.

Annual guest night was observed by the Zetetic club last evening, and a delightful musical program was rendered at Dr. J. W. Andrews' spacious library before an audience of seventy club members and invited guests. Minnesota composers were the only composers considered, and the program was in charge of the leader, Mrs. Roy Andrews, who gave a very interesting preliminary talk on the national in music, giving the characteristic in the music of each nation, and showing that although as yet the United States has no national school there is an excellent foundation for excellent things here in the future. Miss Catherine Brown, who is a clever pianist and a composer of music, rendered a delightful composition of her own, having set to rather weird music a still more weird Indian poem, showing great facility in construction, and rendition, the last number being especially well executed and winning much applause from the club members and guests. The group of songs by Miss Lora Lulusdorff were delightful to the audience, as the singer's charming personality, perfect pronunciation, and wonderfully sweet mezzo-contralto voice combined to please the most critical ear. Mrs. Minnie Hubbard's violin numbers were given in her usual pleasing style, the number by Stanley R. Avery being played for the second time only, the composition having been loaned to Mrs. Andrews in manuscript form. The following were the selections on the program: