

FOUND POLE; LOST LIFE.**LONDON GETS TIDINGS OF ANT-ARCTIC TRAGEDY.****Dispatch From Lieut. Evans of Royal Navy Conveys News of Scott's Disaster.**

London, Feb. 10.—Only meagre details are yet available of the Scott polar tragedy, ranking in disastrous results with the ill-fated Franklin expedition.

News of the death of Capt. Robert F. Scott and his four brave companions who succeeded by a final dash in reaching the South pole, only to find proofs that Amundsen had forestalled them, came in a brief dispatch from Lieut. G. R. Evans of the royal navy, who was second in command when the expedition started, and who now signs as "commander" of the expedition.

The message was signalled from the Terra Nova, returning from the Antarctic regions while passing Oamaru, New Zealand.

The staggering effects of the news on the public mind is all the greater, as it was believed that modern science and recent experience had completely divested polar exploration of its former terrors. No great surprise would have been felt had Capt. Scott failed to reach the pole, but that he should perish in his hour of triumph was the very last thing that could be anticipated, and in view of the terrible dangers which still exist the fate of Capt. Scott and his companions is likely to discourage further attempts to reach the poles, now that both have been attained and the circumstances of hurried dash prevent valuable scientific results from being obtained.

No detailed facts are yet known, but it is believed the records of the scientific material collected, together with the explorer's bodies, have been recovered.

It also is understood that gallant attempts were made by other members of the expedition to succor the Scott party but these were defeated by severe weather conditions and lack of food. It seems practically certain that the explorers starved to death.

The fact that Capt. Amundsen reached his base from the pole in 30 days while the Scott party had been traveling more than two months when disaster overtook them, is believed to show that Scott must either have met some misfortune, possibly in a crevasse, or encountered a succession of blizzards. The fact that Petty Officer Evans died from concussion of the brain as early as February 17 seems to indicate some such accident, possibly involving the loss of a portion of the equipment.

Capt. Oates died March 17, which clearly shows that the party was in dire straits and must have undergone terrible suffering during the remaining 12 days.

No news has been received as to how the fate of Capt. Scott and his companions was discovered, but it is assumed that a rescue party was dispatched from the base.

At the meeting of the Royal Geographical society this evening announcement was made of the disaster which has overtaken Capt. Robert F. Scott's Antarctic expedition, resulting in the death of Capt. Scott, Dr. E. A. Wilson, Lieut. H. R. Bowers, Capt. L. E. G. Oates and Petty Officer E. Evans.

Capt. Scott's party, said Douglas W. Freshfield, vice president of the Geographical society, in making the announcement, found Capt. Roald Amundsen's hut and records at the South pole. On the return trip, about March 29, 1912, 11 miles from One Ton depot, a blizzard overwhelmed them. They had suffered greatly from hunger and exposure, and the death of Scott, Bowers and Wilson, was due to that. They died soon after the blizzard swept down on the party.

BLAZE IN LANCASTER CHURCH.**Starts from Furnace — Damage Several Thousand Dollars—Insured.**

Lancaster, Feb. 9.—Fire at 1.30 o'clock this afternoon did damage to the First Methodist Church to the extent of \$4,000 or \$5,000, covered by insurance. The blaze caught from the furnace, which had been heated in the morning for the day's services. It soon spread to the coal bin, and in a short time the entire building was filled with a dense smoke. The furnace is located in the basement, which is in the centre of the church, and the blaze slowly ate its way through the floor into the auditorium, burned the carpet and charred a few benches.

The firemen had difficulty in reaching the flames, as the basement is small and was filled with smoke, but by cutting through the floor they finally got a steady stream of water on the burning structure and soon conquered the fire.

There is a movement on foot to inaugurate a "swat the fly" campaign in Sumter this spring.

BLOODHOUNDS TRAIL NEGRO.**SLAYER OF PINWOOD POLICEMAN NOT YET CAPTURED.****Bloodhounds from Penitentiary Assist in Running Down Slayer of Pinewood Policeman—Details of the Tragedy—Body of Murdered Man Brought Here for Burial.**

Sam Duke, the negro who shot to death Policeman Barwick, of Pinewood yesterday afternoon and then made his escape, remained uncaptured at 2 o'clock Tuesday according to a long distance telephone message received from Pinewood at that hour. A large posse of men has been on the trail of Duke since the shooting took place and although one man shot at the negro five times without hitting him as he was running away that is the nearest any of the posse have come to capturing Duke since he committed his outrageous deed. At 2 o'clock Tuesday morning the posse was joined by a trainer with blood hounds from the State penitentiary. The blood hounds were brought from Columbia Monday night in an automobile and the party stopped in Sumter and obtained a driver who was familiar with the road to Pinewood. Reports from there Tuesday are to the effect that the dogs trailed the negro to the house of his mother, about four miles from Pinewood, where Duke passed the night, but he was taken from his mother's house in a buggy and all efforts to find where he was carried have up to this time proved fruitless. A rumor on the streets Tuesday morning contained the information that some of the posse dealt summary punishment to one or more negroes who refused information concerning Duke's whereabouts but this rumor could not be verified.

Details of the horrible killing, for which Duke is being sought, make the tragic death of Mr. Barwick seem all the more deplorable. It seems that Mr. Barwick had been told by the magistrate to look out for Sam Duke, and Mr. Barwick, when he saw the negro in Pinewood Monday afternoon, merely walked up to the man and inquired his name. The negro's reply was a fusillade of pistol shots which struck the policeman in various parts of his breast and stomach and killed him before he could make a move to defend himself. The tragedy all happened so quickly and dramatically that before the stunned bystanders were aware of what had occurred Duke was making good his escape. One man shot at the negro as he fled, as stated above, but was too far away from his mark for his aim to take effect.

The remains of Mr. Barwick, who was only 24 years of age and unmarried, were brought to Sumter on Tuesday morning and the funeral took place in the afternoon. The dead man was a first cousin of Sergeant John Barwick of the Sumter police force.

PINWOOD POLICEMAN KILLED.**C. I. Barwick of Pinewood Shot by Sam Duke.**

Pinewood, Feb. 10.—C. I. Barwick, policeman of Pinewood, was shot and instantly killed by Sam Duke, a negro, this afternoon. The negro, who was resisting arrest, at once took flight and made good his escape into the swamps to the east of Pinewood. He has not been captured, but every effort is being made to apprehend him. Bloodhounds from the State penitentiary have been sent, in response to a request, and they are expected to arrive early tomorrow morning.

The feeling of the community is high, and should the negro be caught, it is probable he will be lynched.

Duke is said to be a bad character.

Mr. Barwick was about 24 years of age and unmarried. He was a very popular young man in this place, his old home, and made an efficient officer. He leaves an aged father, who is very feeble, and a large family connection.

The citizens of the town and community are highly wrought up over the tragedy and feeling runs high. Should the negro be caught tonight he will probably be summarily dealt with.

DEBATE IN THE SENATE.**Time Taken up in Discussion of Warehouse and Medical College Bills.**

Columbia, Feb. 12.—debate on the warehouse bill and the medical college bill took up the senate session this morning. Both measures went over.

Last year this time farmers were still picking cotton and the gins were running, while at present practically all the cotton has been ginned and sold. It is estimated that the last ginner's report for Sumter county will show less than 100 bales since the last report.

GROGERS IN TROUBLE.**SOUTHERN WHOLESALE ASSOCIATION ACCUSED OF CONTEMPT.****Men in Sumter, Charleston, Greenville and Spartanburg Included in Government's Petition.**

Birmingham, Ala. Feb. 10.—Criminal contempt of court proceedings against the Southern Wholesale Grocers' association and 59 individuals for alleged violations of the anti-trust decree entered against the "grocers' trust" more than a year ago, were begun here today by the federal government. This is the first prosecution undertaken by the government against a "trust" for the alleged disobedience of a court's mandate under the Sherman law.

Despite the decree, the government declares in its petition filed in the United States district court, the defendants have employed coercion threats, intimidation and persuasion to prevent manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers from reducing prices. It is charged that they have sought to coerce and compel manufacturers and producers to market their product through the medium of the wholesaler and have conspired to prevent direct transactions from producer to retailer, or consumer.

These are things forbidden by the decree, and the court here which entered it October 17, 1911, is asked by Attorney General Wickersham to make an order requiring the following named defendants to show cause why they should not be attached and punished for contempt of court:

The Southern Wholesale Grocers' association; J. H. McLaurin, Jacksonville, Fla.; J. D. Faucette, Bristol, Tenn.; C. W. Bartleson, Jacksonville, Fla.; Robert Moore, Jacksonville, Fla.; S. W. Lee, Birmingham, Ala.; John D. Baker, Jacksonville, Fla.; E. L. Adams, Atlanta, Ga.; H. Lacy, Hunt, Wilmington, N. C.; John Stagg, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Sam Kaufman, Montgomery, Ala.; B. B. Earnshaw, Washington; J. A. Avant, Pensacola, Fla.; T. E. Bryan, Tampa, Fla.; W. E. Small, Macon, Ga.; S. J. Faircloth, Quitman, Ga.; A. Ryttenberg, Sumter, S. C.; A. S. J. Davis, Knoxville, Tenn.; L. B. Rogers, Asheville, N. C.; J. A. Kelly, Henderson, N. C.; L. A. Melchers, Charleston, S. C.; C. W. Garret, Greenwood, S. C.; B. D. Hartsfield, Gainesville, Fla.; A. J. Long, Macon, Ga.; C. O. Kuester, Charlotte, N. C.; E. E. Mendenhall, Greensboro, N. C.; R. A. Morrow, Monroe, N. C.; J. H. C. Wulbern, Charleston, S. C.; J. F. Brown, Spartanburg, S. C.; J. K. Crosswell, Sumter, S. C.; and others in various Southern States.

The individual defendants are members of the association and have been officers or directors since the decree was entered.

In direct violation of the prohibition of the decree, the government charges, the defendants have published two editions—in December, 1911, and August, 1912—of what is known as the "green book" containing a list of persons doing an exclusive wholesale business. The purpose and effect of this book, it is charged, is to delay and prevent retail dealers and consumers from buying directly from manufacturer and producer.

The petition cites three letters said to have been written by President McLaurin to show the alleged purpose of the producers to prevent wholesalers and retailers from reducing prices on certain commodities. Nine other letters written by Mr. McLaurin are incorporated in the petition, with the purpose of showing that commerce between producer and retailer or consumer is being restrained in violation of the decree.

Each of these letters is declared to be a specific act of contempt.

The petition, signed by Attorney General Wickersham, James A. Fowler, assistant to the attorney general, and United States Attorney Oliver D. Street, was sworn to by Hinton G. Clabaugh, special agent of the department of justice.

The weather bureau predicts normal winter weather for the South Atlantic States this week, but normal spring weather prevails.

Blues are Victorious.

In an exceedingly interesting bowling match Monday night the Blues were victorious over their opponents, the Greens, by a score of 31 pins majority.

The first game went to the Greens by 41 pins. The second was won by the Blues with a majority of 34 pins, while the last game also went to the Blues by 38 pins, leaving them the victors of the day with a majority of 31 pins.

As a result of this contest the Reds and Blues are tied for first place and the Greens and Whites are tied for the cellar.

Real Estate Transfer.

A. J. Stubbs to Joseph Fulton, lot on Main street, \$2,500.

BLOODY RIOT IN JAPAN.**SERIOUS FIGHTING IN STREETS OF TOKYO.****Resignation of Prime Minister and Cabinet Followed by Disorders. Police Stations Wrecked.**

Tokyo, Feb. 10.—Six persons were killed and 65 injured in political rioting here today. The situation tonight is serious.

The premier of Japan, Prince Katsura, was stoned by a mob in the streets. His resignation has been demanded by the people. Mobs attacked the offices of the bureaucratic newspapers and threatened dwellings of the ministers. They burned and wrecked police stations, train cars and private buildings.

Detachments of troops patrol the streets. Each newspaper office is protected by a guard of 50 soldiers, to whom ball cartridges have been served. They have their bayonets fixed for instant use.

The minister of the imperial household announces that martial law will be proclaimed if there are any further attempts at incendiarism.

A mass meeting was held this afternoon in Ibanaya park, in the centre of the city. The mob started from there to attack Prince Katsura's dwelling. Police, with drawn swords, charged several times, wounded many of the demonstrators and drove the mob back.

The night riot came as the sequel today of disorders following the resignation of Premier Katsura and his cabinet.

As the premier was returning from his visit to the emperor he was stoned and slightly injured. The mob turned from its attack on him to assaults on various newspaper offices. The police attempted to hold the crowds in check but were generally unsuccessful. Several policemen and civilians were badly injured.

Late in the day one of the mob leaders was killed. The mob, infuriated by the casualties, raided a number of petroleum stores in the business section of the city.

They soaked bundles of straw in oil, lighted them and threw them into the offices of the newspaper Kokumin Shimbun.

The police and gendarmes charged the mob and dispersed it, wounding several people.

The mob then scattered and wrecked a number of police stations.

A large number of people gathered at a mass meeting in Hibiya park and burned a number of street cars.

At 9 o'clock this evening the troops of the Tokyo garrison were cooped out and soldiers were put on guard around the residences of Premier Katsura and other members of the cabinet.

The casualties up to 10 p. m. were two persons killed and 50 seriously injured.

No announcement was forthcoming this afternoon regarding the political situation.

TAX RETURNS FOR 1913.

Notice is hereby given that I will attend in person or by deputy at the following places on the days indicated, respectively for the purpose of receiving returns of personal property and poll taxes, for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 1913.

All males between the ages of 21 and 60 years, must make returns as to whether or not they are liable for road duty for the year 1913.

Tindals, Tuesday, January 7.
Privateer, Wednesday, January 8.
Levi Siding, Thursday, January 9.
Wedgfield, Friday, January 10.
Claremont, Tuesday, January 14.
Hagood, Wednesday, January 15.
Rembert's, Thursday, January 16.
Dalzell, Friday, January 17.
Brogdon, Monday, January 20.
Mayesville, Tuesday, January 21.
Pleasant Grove, Wednesday, January 22.
Shiloh, Thursday, January 23.
Norwood Cross Roads, Friday, January 24.
Oswego, Monday, January 27.

All persons whose duty it is to make returns should be prompt to meet at these appointments. All returns must be made before February 20th, 1913.

R. E. WILDER

Auditor Sumter County.

Sumter, S. C., Dec. 3, 1912.

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