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After Oradour trial
demonstrations in Alsace

Positive developed: 48 meters = 160 ft.
Competition unknown

Alsace and surrounding provinces of the Rhine border observed a "Day of Mourning" as a protest against the Bordeaux Military Court trial, condemning Alsatians; recruited by force by the Nazi Army during the war and who took part in the Oradour a/Glane massacres on June 10th.1944 wherein 642 people were assassinated.

The Alsatians consider the verdict a "dishonouring injustice" and said so yesterday when a large proportion of Strasbourg population marched to the War Memorial, veiled in black mourning, led by Mayors; deputies and other officials of the Departments of Haut Rhin and Bas Rhin which make Alsace.

In other parts of Alsace too, flags were lowered in mourning and war memorials and soldiers tombs were veiled in mourning.

Our picture shows:

- in Schiltigheim, near Strasbourg the Mayor is the first one to put the French flag with a black crepe to the Town Hall of his village, and other people do the same in many windows.
- Then Mayor of the same village of Schiltigheim goes to the War Memorial in the Cemetary, also veiled in black crepe, and surrounded by his Councilors heads the protest meeting, which is clam and dignified.
- At the same time in STRASBOURG itself, An Alsatian Priest accompanies the Mayor and all Mayors and Deputies of the Alsatian departments to a demonstration to the town War Memorial, shrouded in a black crepe, A large crowd of people of Strasbourg are also taking part in the demonstration.