

Karl Marx

Grave Bomb

Plot Foiled

LONDON (AP) — British police revealed Monday night they had foiled an attempt by unknown assailants to blow up the grave of Karl Marx, father of communism.

The incident, which British authorities hoped to keep secret, took place last Thursday and details were confirmed by a Scotland Yard spokesman.

Marx, the German Socialist and philosopher, died in London in 1883 at age 64. He is buried in London's Highgate Cemetery, which often is visited by sight-seers.

In answer to questions, a Scotland Yard spokesman gave these details of the incident:

An anonymous telephone caller tipped Kentish town police station (near Highgate) that Marx' grave was to be destroyed.

A patrol car sped to the cemetery.

On the grave police found "an explosive substance, to which an electrical device was attached," this was a homemade time bomb.

The gadget was dismantled and removed.

Investigations by Scotland Yard so far have proved fruitless.