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FEELING IN DUBLIN AND LONDON OVER IRISH QUESTION IS VERY OPTIMISTIC; TRUCE IS UNBROKEN

PROPOSALS UNDER CONSIDERATION

No Date Announced for the Convening of the Republican Parliament — General Smuts is Planning to go to Ireland Early in the Week to Mediate.

London, July 24—The truce between Britain and Ireland, which has lasted for a fortnight is unbroken and every day gained is regarded as favorable to a peace settlement. There is no sign from Dublin of approval or disapproval, but the fact that they have not been rejected outright is considered good ground for hope.

It is said that the government will not insist that the settlement be effected through the machinery of the existing act of parliament, but will be disposed to consider any plan upon which Ulster and Southern Ireland will be able to agree for attaining the desired end.

Almost all the discussion here, however, assumes that Mr. De Valera must be willing to agree to the maintenance of the present status of the Ulster parliament, and those most favorable to Ireland's cause express the hope that the Irish republican leader and his friends will see the wisdom of recognizing the futility of throwing away the chance of peace by insisting upon any plan calculated to disturb Ulster's position. Their view is that time will be on their side in bringing Ulster around to co-operation with the south.

It is not yet known whether Mr. De Valera intends to convene "the republican parliament" for the purpose of considering the proposals. The liberation of Countess Markievicz suggests that he may be waiting for more such liberations before taking further steps.

Optimistic Sentiment.
The feeling both in London and Dublin over the prospects of peace in Ireland remains optimistic. Eamonn De Valera, the Irish republican leader, yesterday discussed ten British terms with Arthur Griffith and others, at the Mansion House in Dublin, but no formal conference was held, and Mr. De Valera informed inquirers that it was most unlikely any developments would take place in the immediate future.

There will probably be further consultations among the Sinn Fein ministers, after which a meeting of the Dail Eireann will be called. No date for this meeting has been fixed and it is presumed that modifications on the terms will be sought, before the "republican parliament" takes up the matter officially.

General Smuts, the South African premier, it is understood, will go to Ireland early in the week for the purpose of conciliating, if possible, the opposing factions of the north and the south. He will place his services at the disposal of both Mr. De Valera and Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, and it is probable that he will have considerable latitude in the task before him.

The opinion in London is that the British terms are not likely to be accepted as they stand, but Mr. De Valera is almost certain to come to London again with more of his colleagues, and the Ulster premier has already declared that he would be available at any time he was really needed.

Has Purchased Property.
Clarence N. Goodspeed has purchased the dwelling on Saunders street occupied by William Todd, from Jacob D. Estey. The price is in the vicinity of five thousand dollars. Mr. Goodspeed will occupy the property after May next.

Miss Helen Hudson, of New York, is spending the summer in Fredericton. Miss Dot Cremlay, of Newcastle, is the guest of Miss Bertha Harvey. Miss Alice Sterling is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Sterling.

CONTEST HENS FALL OFF IN PRODUCTION

The midsummer weather seems to have caused quite a falling off in egg production in the laying contest at the Fredericton experimental station. Last week was the 38th of the contest and the yield of eggs was only 655. The grand total to date for the twenty-one pens is 24,236 eggs.

The leader last week was a pen of Barred Rocks owned by A. L. Lever of Leversville, which produced 50 eggs. Mr. Tait's pen was second with 49, Mr. Eveleigh's third with 45, Mr. Williston's fourth with 42, and Allen & Ferguson's fifth with 40. With the exception of the Williston pen all the leaders are Barred Rocks.

The Invicta Farm Barred Rocks still lead in the contest with 1439. Mr. Eveleigh's Rocks are in second place with 1378, and Mr. Tait has third place with 1359. The Experimental Farm White Wyandottes, which for a time held the field, are now in fifth place and last week they produced only twelve eggs.

Left For Washademoak.
Fisheries Inspector H. E. Harrison left this morning for the Washademoak to inquire into some rumored violations in that part of his district.

Able To Be Out.
The many friends of John B. McNair will be glad to learn that he has recovered from the effects of a recent operation and is able to be out again.

Police on Holidays.
Patrolman Ford Yerxa, of the local police force, will go on his two weeks' holidays tomorrow. Sergeant Jones of the force returns this evening to his duties.

Transferred to Reserve.
The Canada Gazette of Saturday last in militia orders contains the transfer of Provisional Lieutenants E. C. Vincent and J. L. Armstrong, from the 7th Brigade, Canadian Machine Gun Corps, to the Reserve of Officers, Infantry.

Theft at Bathing Beach.
On Saturday, thefts from the clothing of bathers at the West End beach took place. A boy is suspected. Two dollars were taken from the clothing of one man and eighty five cents from the clothes of another. An arrest is expected.

Maritime Crop Report.
The Bank of Montreal Crop report issued from Halifax last week says of the Maritime Provinces: Crops generally are still greatly in need of moisture, although recent rains have improved prospects. Hay is expected to be light; root crops fair; grass pasture generally is poor. Conditions in Prince Edward Island have been improved by recent rains.

Devon Water Improvement.
The Town of Devon is calling for tenders for water improvements. Trenching and pipe laying from Killarney or Heron Lake to the reservoir in North Devon is wanted. The distance is about two miles and a half and the estimated cost about forty thousand dollars. The pipe is to be wood-stave with a diameter of eight and six inches. The pipe is required to increase the town's water supply.

For Children's Ward.
On Thursday last a children's concert was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hurley, George St., in aid of the Children's Ward at Victoria Hospital. A snug sum was realized. Those taking part were the Misses Brewer, Van Wart, Ryan and Burt. Several songs were sung by the Dobbelsteyn children, who used the Dutch language. There also were songs and sketches by the Misses Mary and Helena Hurley. Refreshments were sold. Mrs. Lister was the musical director of the concert.

Miss Mildred Wandless of Woodstock is visiting her uncle Robert H. Wandless in this city.

THE AUTHORITIES DENY THAT CANADIAN GRAVES IN FRANCE ARE NEGLECTED

Ottawa Recently Asked for an Official Report Regarding the Stories in Circulation—Bodies Said to Have Been Removed From the Graves—Chief of the Graves Commission Gives Out a Statement.

(By Dominion News Service)

London, July 25—Persistent rumors that Canadian graves of Overseas soldiers in France and Flanders have been neglected are vigorously denied by the authorities. So frequent have been these stories in the past that Ottawa asked recently for an official report regarding them. In the information gathered by the Dominion it was even hinted that bodies had been removed from Canadian cemeteries in Flanders. Those associated in the work of caring for the graves suggest that there is more behind the rumor than mere idle gossip and hint that they emanate from a source which has long been out of sympathy with the Graves commission. Dealing with the question of the removal of bodies officials of the latter organization point out that the difficulties of smuggling corpses through the Customs Department on both sides of the line are insurmountable, apart altogether from the risk of detection.

EMPHATICALLY DENIES CHARGE

Sir Fabian Ware, chief of the Imperial Graves commission in an interview with a member of the staff of the Dominion News Service, emphatically denied the charge that the Canadian graves at Ypres were neglected. He said that the whole of the Ypres area including the cemeteries of both home and overseas troops were in charge of a well-known Canadian officer, Colonel John Roy of Quebec.

"That fact is sufficient," said Sir Fabian "to answer to the allegation of neglect. As for the story of attempted body stealing it can be classed as a lurid misrepresentation of a very thin substratum of facts."

PRIVY COUNCIL HAS DISMISSED APPEAL OF B. C. WINE COMPANY

(By Dominion News Service)

London, July 25—The Privy Council has dismissed the appeal of the Canadian Pacific Wine Company and reversed the decision of Mr. Justice Murphy and the Court of Appeal of British Columbia. The Law Lords who sat to hear the case were Lord Birkenhead, the Lord Chancellor, with Lords Haldane, Buckmaster, Carson, and Sir Louis Davis, Chief Justice of the Dominion. Although British Columbia at the last election decided against prohibition and for a modified form of liquor selling this judgment is said by Canadian authorities in London to have an important legal bearing on the dry provinces of the Dominion.

RETURNED TO FIRST LOVE

Woodstock, July 23—A man named McDuffee arrived here yesterday from the United States in search of a woman to whom he claims he was married in Maine two years ago. It has developed that the woman was already married and had left her husband and was afterwards married to McDuffee. She is now living at Hartin Settlement with her first husband and McDuffee now invokes the aid of the law and wants her arrested for bigamy. He has been told that it will be necessary to have the proper credentials from the minister he performed the second marriage before any step can be taken.

At the Gaiety

The Monday-Tuesday play is "The Scarab Ring" with Alice Joyce the featured player. Miss Joyce's photoplay tells the story of one of these famous Egyptian jewels which carries a curse, given when the bodies of the sacred dead with whom it was entombed were molested.

The curse of the scarab ring follows the heroine of the story and leads her through many adventures and finally to happiness. Fox News and Topics of the Day complete a fine programme.

Preached at Brunswick St. Baptist
Rev. Isaac Brindley, pastor of the Ludlow Street Baptist Church, West St. John, officiated at both morning and evening services at the Brunswick Street Baptist Church Sunday.

USE CARS AS BATH HOUSES

Atlantic City, July 25—A visitor from Illinois has been shocked by the sight of girls in automobiles changing from their bathing suits to street clothes. He sent a letter yesterday to Mayor Baper and the Department of Public Safety protesting against the practice on the ground it would have a bad effect upon children, signing himself E. A. McLaughlin.

"Going down Massachusetts avenue from the Boardwalk," he wrote, "there was a girl entirely disrobed in an automobile. It is true the machine had curtains but the wind was high and she was entirely uncovered. I learned afterward she was changing her bathing suit for street dress, a bad practice where children are all around. It would be too bad to spoil such a wonderful resort, and to my mind, considering the crowd I saw there yesterday, you and your entire force are to be congratulated. I never saw better order, with the exceptions mentioned."

CANCELLED HIS PASSAGE

London, July 25—Premier Meighen cancelled his passage to Canada last week assigning no reason for the step. Sir George Perley, Lady Perley and the Chief Justice of Canada are however sailing for home.

Miss Clark, of Montreal, is visiting, Miss Lucille Hawkins.

RUM RUNNING SCHOONERS HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY THE U. S. AND CANADIAN AUTHORITIES

UNITED FARMERS TO TAKE CHARGE ON AUGUST 15

Edmonton, July 23—It will be the middle of August before the United Farmers of Alberta take over the reins of government in this province, according to feeling expressed by the retiring Liberal cabinet members meeting here. The ministers said that there was a considerable volume of departmental business remaining to be closed up. The heads of the various departments think that it will be another three weeks at least before they are ready to turn over the work to their successors. It is expected that this interval will suit the farmers also, as it will enable them to complete the work of organization without undue rush.

ICE CREAM THE CAUSE OF MURDER

New York, July 25—After John Graf, 46, of Springfield, L. I., had made a dying statement yesterday in St. Marys Hospital Jamaica accusing his next door neighbor, William Battersby, 65, of shooting him because he had not treated him to ice cream, Battersby was held without bail by Magistrate Kocendorfer. Battersby said in court he had fired through his window at a supposed burglar and did not go out to see whether he had hit any one.

The police say Miss Edith Battersby, 22, declared the shooting followed an attempt by Graf to force unwelcome attentions on her. Graf survived his wound only a few hours.

Death at Weymouth, Mass.

The friends of Mrs. Mary A. Gilbert widow of the late Frank Gilbert, will regret to learn of her death which occurred yesterday at Weymouth, Mass. The remains will arrive here on the noon train Wednesday, and will be taken to St. Anthony's Church, where a solemn service will be conducted by the Rev. Father Conway. Interment will be made at Sunny Bank Cemetery. The deceased lady, who is well known in this city, is survived by four daughters, Mrs. J. J. Callaghan, with whom she resided in Weymouth, Florence, Martha, and Ernestine, of Providence, R. I., two sons, Arthur, of the Merchant Marine, and Frank of this city, and two brothers, James and John, of the West.

Late Mrs. Sarah Niles.

The death occurred on Saturday afternoon at her home on University Avenue, of Mrs. Sarah Niles, widow of Hubbard Niles, of South Devon, aged 72 years. Mrs. Niles was born at Burton, Sunbury County, and was daughter of the late Mrs. Cherry Moore, who acquired large holdings in the linen mills of Ireland. She is survived by two sons, George and Earl, of South Devon, four daughters, Mrs. William Aiken, Mrs. Fred T. Allen, and Miss Lillian Niles, of this city, and Mrs. Thomas Mooney, of St. John, one brother, Thomas Moore, of Boston, and two sisters, Mrs. Joseph Moore, of this city, and Mrs. Henry Niles of St. John. The funeral took place this afternoon from the late home of the deceased. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Wightman and interment made at —.

No Standard Yet.

When inquiries were made at the office of The St. John Standard, last night, it was announced that the paper would not be issued this morning and that there was no announcement to be made yet regarding the resumption of publication.

Preached at Parish Church

Rev. James Cartledge, Rector of the County of Richibucto, conducted the services at Christchurch Parish Church in both morning and evening.

LANDING BOOZE ALONG THE COAST

Vessels Captured off Cape Breton Were Well Stocked with St. Pierre Rum — A Booze Laden Bark Seized in Boston Harbor—Search Being Made for Others.

North Sydney, C. B., July 24—Canadian revenue officers are devoting much attention just now to what they believe is an extensive traffic in contraband liquor between St. Pierre, Miqu., and the Canadian coast. They have made several important seizures during the present month and have taken two more vessels, both in the vicinity of North Sydney. The first vessel captured recently was the North Sydney schooner Marona. She was taken by the revenue cutter Rest less whose men boarded her off Low Pint. Upon examination they found 350 gallons of St. Pierre, rum, valued at about \$10,000. The Marona was brought to this port and the contraband transferred to the Restless. The spirits were then taken to Sydney, and placed in the government warehouse.

The second large seizure was made in this harbor by the revenue cutter Gribb. About 190 gallons of contraband liquor valued at \$7,000 was taken from the schooner Helen C. Morse, Captain Wissman, which has been lying in the harbor for the last ten days. A party from the Gribb in charge of Captain Coffin, boarded the schooner early in the morning and after considerable difficulty the liquor was found very carefully concealed. It is not known whether any of the stock was landed previous to the capture.

It is suspected that numerous New Brunswick and Nova Scotia vessels are running into St. Pierre at times and after leaving port officially through clearances, anchor outside and receive liquor taken to them on boats in the night time, and that much of the contraband is landed at various obscure points along the coasts of both provinces during the hours of darkness. In past years it has been exceedingly difficult and almost impossible to break up this trade.

On U. S. Coast.

Boston, July 24—The recent seizure of a liquor-laden bark in this harbor, the seizure of a vessel carrying a cargo of Scotch whiskey before daylight on Saturday near New Haven, and the detention of the Canadian schooner Pocomock, which had been in the liquor trade, off Atlantic City, have induced the United States revenue and Volstead Act enforcement officials to spread a net for what is believed to be an international rum-running syndicate, in which British and United States capital is supposed to be heavily invested. A large fleet of government vessels and airplanes is searching the seas for further traces of rum-runners and an effort will be made to seize more vessels should they be caught within the three-mile limit.

The United States officials believe that much liquor has been transferred at sea to smaller craft which land the contraband in the dark hours as isolated sections along the New England, New York and New Jersey coasts. On land auto-trucks are said to figure in the traffic. The appearance of the large vessels well off the coast and their inexplicable manoeuvres at the time are thought to account for the numerous reports of so-called "mystery" ships.

No Longer Seaworthy.

An expert went over the old Paris crew shell the other evening and found that the old boat was no longer in a seaworthy condition. As a result, the physical committee of the St. John Y. M. C. I. in which institution the boat now is housed, has announced that it will be impracticable to place a crew in the boat and have her compete in the fiftieth anniversary regatta which is to be held at Renforth next month on the same waters on which half a century ago the Paris crew of St. John defeated the Tyne crew of England.