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Erskine Childers, DeValera's Chief Lieutenant, Executed

WILD TALK BY COMMUNIST Throws Down the Gauntlet in British House of Commons

An Open Threat—"If We Can't Get it Inside of This Chamber We Shall Get it Outside—Russia Praised."

London, Nov. 24.—An argument unique in the history of British Commons was presented yesterday by the newly elected Communist member, J. T. D. Newbold, who addressed the House in connection with unemployment.

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SENTENCE PASSED BY MILITARY COURT CARRIED OUT IN DUBLIN TODAY

Was Convicted of Having Had Arms in His Possession—Served With R.N.V.R. in War and Won D.S.C.—Annie McSwiney Taken to Hospital.

Dublin, Nov. 24.—Erskine Childers, chief lieutenant for Eamon De Valera, was executed at 7 a. m. for having had an automatic pistol in his possession, it is announced in an official bulletin given out by the National Army.

While the method of execution was not officially described, it is believed to have been by shooting.

London Surprised.—London, Nov. 24.—Announcement of the execution in Dublin of Erskine Childers, leading lieutenant of Eamon De Valera, was received here shortly after noon today.

The execution of Childers removes the most important figure in the Republican movement in Ireland next to Mr. De Valera, with whom Childers, a man of strong personality, is generally credited here with having had strong influence.

Childers is ascribed perhaps the leading part in engineering the present armed revolt against the Free State Government, and he was known as the military strategist who planned the operations. It was to Childers that Winston Churchill, former Colonial Secretary, recently referred in a speech as "that mischievous, murderous renegade, that Englishman who is inspired by an equal measure of hatred both for his island and for the one in which he now has taken up his abode."

The opinion has been frequently expressed in responsible circles that the Free State authorities could lay their hands on Childers, at any time they desired, but that they did not wish to do so in view of the possible aftermath.

The question which immediately interested the minds of Londoners interested in Irish affairs, when they heard the news of Childers' execution, was whether the Irish Republic would attempt reprisals, and it seemed to be thought not unlikely that these would have to be reckoned with.

Erskine Childers, a lieutenant commander in the Irish Republican Army, and one of the right hand men of Eamon De Valera, was placed on trial before a military tribunal in Dublin last night on the charge that he had a pistol in his possession when arrested at Wicklow by Free State forces on Nov. 11. The trial lasted two days.

Childers, who was fifty-two years of age, appealed through counsel for a reprieve, but the court, which was composed of the Master of the Rolls, the Lord Chief Justice, and the Lord Justice of Appeal, refused his appeal.

Childers was an ardent proponent of an Irish Republic and strongly opposed ratification of the treaty setting up the Irish Free State on the ground that it meant "absorption of Ireland in the British Empire." He was decorated last June in the election for the South Irish Parliament, receiving fewer votes than any other candidate in the whole election.

W. D. S. C. in War.—Childers was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge. He served in the European war as a lieutenant commander of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve between January and May, 1916, and won the D. S. C. for his service with the anti-submarine force.

The Hunger Strikers.—Dublin, Nov. 24.—Miss Annie MacSwiney, who had fasted outside the gates of Mount Joy prison since last Friday, as a protest against the imprisonment of her sister, Mary, was removed by friends last evening to a hospital. She was in a very weak condition, but refused to take food and only swallowed some water.

In a letter to the newspapers Annie MacSwiney, who has been on a hunger strike for twenty days, says that her sister received the sacrament on Wednesday and was given Extreme Unction.

Many now refuse visits from the prison doctors and nurses. She is attended day and night by her fellow prisoners.

ARREST IN CASE OF ONTARIO MURDER.—Wells, Ont., Nov. 24.—Charles Beckett, a farmer of Pelham Centre was arrested by E. O. Guernett of the provincial police last night following an all day search through a twenty-five acre swamp.

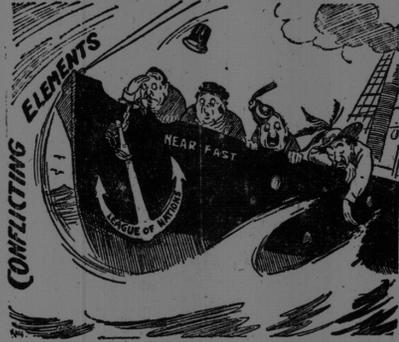
Beckett now held in connection with the killing of Dwight Ditta, the Pelham Centre farmer who was found yesterday morning with his head battered by a bullet and the blood smeared whiffletree evidently used by the murderer standing against the door.

CLEMENCEAU PLEADS WITH U. S. NOT DESERT ALLIES.—Boston, Nov. 24.—The "Tiger" of France yesterday stood in Massachusetts Historic Hall and cried out to the U. S. that she could not desert her war associates.

"You are prisoners of your own nobleness," he declared. "You must remain what you are."

Clemenceau, aged war premier of France, arrived here in the afternoon and delivered two impassioned half-hour addresses. Both addresses were pleas for American to align herself with France again.

A SUGGESTION TO THE POWERS



"Why not let go the anchor of the League of Nations?"—Sunday Chronicle, Manchester.

JEALOUS SUITOR KILLS BRIDE OF FOUR MONTHS.—New York, Nov. 24.—Enraged at her continued refusal to marry him and her admission that she had been married four months, James J. Corbett, 27, of 408 East 120th street, shot and killed Mrs. Edie Starce, in the hallway of a tenement at 112 East 107th street. He had said for her at St. Cecilia's church, in East 106th street, before he killed her, the police later learned.

HON. MANNING DOHERTY.—Montreal, Nov. 24.—The Turks are stronger today in power and prestige than they have been for the last 300 years, according to Right Rev. R. MacInnes, Anglican Bishop of Jerusalem, who addressed the Montreal Diocesan Women's Auxiliary here last night. It was wrong to refer to the Turk as "the sick man of Europe," he said. He was anything but sick; he was not European, but yet he was a menace, and asserted that his primal instinct was to kill Christians, and like the wild beast brought up in captivity, the instinct came to the fore sooner or later.

Speaking of the Zionists in Palestine, he said: "Although their entire lack of sympathy, tolerance or love for the Jews, has never been impeded and bitter feeling throughout Palestine. Moreover, their statements are entirely unimpeachable, and I am ready to prove that to any Zionist."

BANK ROBBERS GET \$24,000 LOOT.—Gallatin, Mo., Nov. 24.—Six bandits, after blowing open and robbing the vaults of the First National Bank here, passed through the town of Gallatin, Mo., on their way out of town early yesterday, and escaped. High powered rifles, in the hands of the lookouts, kept the citizens at a distance.

The loot was \$4,000 in gold and currency and \$20,000 in bonds and securities. The robbers overlooked \$10,000 and a quantity of Liberty bonds.

FELLS CASHIER; ROBS THEATRE.—Winnipeg, Nov. 24.—Slipping his arm through the wicket and felling the cashier, Miss Ray Olander, with a blunt instrument, an unimpeachable bandit last night robbed the box office of the Gayety Theatre of the night's receipts, amounting to between \$70 and \$80. The assailant made his escape.

MUCH GRAIN HERE.—The C. N. R. elevator at the present time contains 300,000 bushels of grain. The average arrival daily is twenty cars, but this is expected to increase in the near future.

BRITISH TEAM DEFEATED.—Bulawayo, Rhodesia, Nov. 24.—(Canadian Press via Reuters).—The touring British bowling team was defeated yesterday by a team representing Bulawayo, by a score of 91 to 50.

DRIVE KU KLUX KLAN OUT OF NEW YORK, SAYS MAYOR HYLAN.—New York, Nov. 24.—Police Commissioner Enright has received orders by telegraph from Mayor Hylan, who is in French Lick Springs, Ind., directing him to "drive the members of the Ku Klux Klan out of New York before the organization gets a foothold."

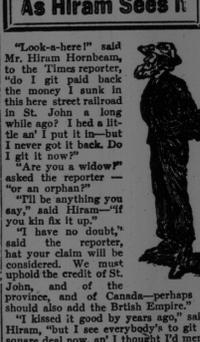
"Treat this group of racial and religious haters as you would the Reds and the bomb throwers," said one part of the mayor's instructions.

CANADA IN THE LORD MAYOR'S SHOW.—The Lord Mayor's Show in London this year included floats representing the Dominion. The picture shows the Canadian float, which was an appeal for British settlers for Canadian farms.

TEBO'S SENTENCE IS COMMUTED.—Ottawa, Nov. 24.—(Canadian Press).—The death sentence passed upon Garfield Tebo, of Digby, N. S., has been commuted by the governor in council to life imprisonment.

AT THE ASPHALT PLANT.—Commissioner Prink said this morning that his department was putting in a new water pipe to the asphalt plant. The plant formerly was served by a three-quarter inch iron pipe which had outlived its usefulness and was being replaced by a good service pipe which would provide all the water necessary for use at the plant as well as for more adequate fire protection there.

As Hiram Sees It



"I look-a-here!" said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, to the Times reporter, "do I get paid back the money I sunk in this here street railroad in St. John a long while ago? I had a little ad 'I put it in—It never got it back. Do I get it now?"

"Are you a widow?" asked the reporter — "or an orphan?"

"Yes, sir. An' I s'pose she's a lot more-hey, what?"

"I kissed it good by years ago," said Hiram, "but I see everybody 's' to get square deal now, an' I thought I'd mention it. I see Commissioner Bullock had the same experience. Him an' me, the sellers fer stickey' up fer us. We orto hev a reel spy Christmas this year—Yes, sir. An' I s'pose she's a lot more-hey, what?"

LACHINE, QUE., Nov. 24.—The upheaval in civic employment circles in this town which began when all the employees of the town were given notice of dismissal at the beginning of the month, reached its apex when, after a complex meeting of the City Council last night, Mayor Ranger announced that from December 1 the police and fire brigade would be reduced twenty-five per cent. in personnel. With salary cuts, this he said, meant a saving of \$15,000 annually to the city.

Among the dismissed are Chief Robert, of the fire brigade, who has been in the service of the city for thirty-five years, and Sub-Chief Cherrier, of the police force, who has been in the city employment for nine years.

C. P. R. CLOSES ITS RIVER SERVICE.—Montreal Sails from Quebec—Presentation to the Commander.

Montreal, Nov. 24.—Carrying about 200 passengers, the C. P. R. liner Montreal sailed from this port this morning for Liverpool, and with its departure the Canadian Pacific steamship service closed for the year. At a luncheon on board the Montreal yesterday, Captain Peel, her commander, was presented a framed picture by committee of the Montreal Public Association. The Montreal made her maiden trip to Montreal early in August.

PROXY MINISTER.—Moncton, Nov. 24.—At a meeting of the Moncton First Baptist church tonight a framed picture was presented to the Rev. Austin Huntley, D.D., pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, Trois Rivières.

WEATHER REPORT.—Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was over northern Ontario yesterday is being absorbed by one of greater intensity over the New England coast while the barometer stays high over the western provinces. The weather is quite cold in all the provinces except Alberta and British Columbia. A cold northwesterly gale is blowing on the Great Lakes.

Continued Cold.

Forecasts.—Maritime—Cloudy with light snowfalls tonight and Saturday by west and northwest gales, continued cold.

Gulf and North Shore—Strong winds and gales north and west, cold with light snowfalls tonight and on Saturday.

New England—Fair tonight and Saturday. Colder tonight. Strong northwesterly winds and gales.

Toronto, Nov. 24.—Temperatures: Lowest during the day, yesterday, night.

Table with 2 columns: Station, Temperature. Rows include Prince Rupert, Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, N. B., Halifax, St. John's, Nfld., Detroit, New York.

Passage of Irish Bill Principal Business For British House

PREMIER BONAR LAW MAKES THIS PLAIN IN ADDRESS AT FIRST SESSION

No Opposition Expected—Noisy Session Marked by Much Railery, Threats of Revolution and Frequent Cries for Order—Prime Minister Refers to Unemployment.

(Canadian Press Cable.) London, Nov. 24.—A storm of criticism, railery and threats of revolution disturbed the tranquility of the new Government at the first working session in the House of Commons yesterday. The new members quickly asserted themselves with firmness and a tone which shocked the veterans, with the result that there was laughter, also gibes and jeers with frequent cries for order. Interruptions, retorts and clamors from the benches produced an aspect in the ancient House that was anything but peaceful, and the Government repeatedly was warned that there would be no tranquility.

"If we do not get satisfaction we shall have to deal with you as Cromwell dealt with his predecessors—there is plenty of precedent for revolution in this country," dramatically declared J. T. W. Newbold, the Communist member. He came to his feet and presented his astonishing case with the fearlessness of an old parliamentarian.

Premier Bonar Law, in his address, made it plain that the business of the present short session should be the passage of the Irish Bill and the factional opposition developed, making it plain that the bill would be quickly successful. Labor, supported by Asquith, strongly endorsed it.

Premier's Address.—The text in part of Mr. Bonar Law's speech follows: "The session has been called for the express purpose, of giving attention to the bill enforcing the Irish treaty. Whatever may be the views of any of us, whatever may be the responsibility of any of us with regard to that treaty, there is one thing that is not in doubt. That is—it was shown most conclusively in the election—that the British people are determined to give the treaty a fair trial in spirit and letter. Of that there is no doubt whatever. I think that as far as Great Britain is concerned, we shall have nothing to give as an excuse for going back on that treaty and I will not only say that we wish it to succeed but in the interest of both Ireland and this country from our hearts, we wish it to do so for this reason above all others. Ireland has been an enemy of this country in spirit for I don't know how long, but Irishmen and Englishmen, when they meet have never been enemies.

"As regards business, it is our intention, with the approval of the House, which I feel sure it will give that, to devote the address to the subject of the Bill today and tomorrow and that Monday we will begin with the first of the two Irish bills and will go on with them until they are concluded.

"We have at present little business and I hope will get the bill of the day. We may be able to rise not long after the sixth of December.

"As to what has been done about the Rent Restriction Act, I have appointed a committee to examine it, but have not got recommendations yet. I have done at this session or not, I cannot say, but in all events will give the honorable gentlemen opposite plenty of warning.

Unemployment.—"The next question to which I wish to address myself is unemployment. It is obvious that there must be an amendment to the address on this subject. The honorable member (J. R. Macdonald) talked about the illness between the two governments and the differences also. But what has been done by the last government in the relief of unemployment in the amount spent and the efforts made to find work is something that has never been approached in any other country in the world. (L. M. Kenworthy says, "Neither was unemployment a problem than ours. The honorable member rather scooped at the idea of the necessary improvement was to come from better trade. That is the root of the difference between him and us. The demand is that they think there is a substance kept by capitalists as a sure I have never seen any of them. I am satisfied they are greatly mistaken and in a month will know these arguments to be worthless.

"In reference to my refusing to meet the deputation on unemployment the honorable member was a little illogical. I have said from the beginning that it is absolutely impossible for me to try to deal with every difficulty whenever it becomes prominent and I think the honorable member would strengthen his own constitutional position, if he would point out that in cases of that kind there are constitutional ministers who are not servants of the Prime Minister.

Foreign Relations.—"On foreign affairs, I am sorry I can give practically no information. It will be in my secret diplomacy or anything else, but it is best to let the people who are in negotiation negotiate in freedom without interference from the press and parliament. Our one aim is peace. Up to the moment, I am thankful to say that there is every prospect of getting it by the only means that it is possible to get it, and that is agreement with our Allies."

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He has reduced the estimates of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment by six million dollars for next year, by concentration of hospitals and work shops.

Prof. Fletcher Peacock of Fredericton, director of vocational education for New Brunswick, is in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Atherton Smith arrived in the city today from Montreal where they spent two weeks.

MOVEMENT AFOOT FOR REUNION OF BRITISH LIBERALS.—London, Nov. 24.—(Canadian Press).—A movement is afoot in both camps for a reunion of the Asquithian and Lloyd George Liberals, according to the parliamentary correspondent of the Times, who asserts that Mr. Lloyd George introduced the subject at a meeting of his supporters, giving them to understand that he was willing to take the first step towards such a reunion. He assured that his approach would not be rebuffed. The subject was also mentioned in a meeting of the Asquithian Liberals, where, however, the opinion seemed to be that a reunion was not yet a practicable policy.

RODNEY WHARF TRESTLE.—An agreement between the city and the New Brunswick Power Company relative to the Rodney wharf trestle has been arrived at and Comptroller Bullock said this morning that he would bring in a recommendation concerning it on Monday. Hereafter the trackway has been used considerably as a public highway, being flush with the roadway up the wharf, but under the proposed arrangement a capping will be placed near the rail and a fence erected thus eliminating the possibility of accident through vehicles and pedestrians trespassing on the tracks. It is expected that the work will occupy from ten days to two weeks.

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Government Carries House on First Division of Session.—(Canadian Press Cable.) London, Nov. 24.—The first division in the new House of Commons, which occurred this afternoon was carried by the government by a majority of 103 against the Laborite opposition.

When Premier Bonar Law moved that the government be empowered to take all the time of the House for government business during this session, the Laborites opposed it. The Premier's motion, however, was carried by a vote of 236 to 135.

Premier Bonar Law today introduced in the House of Commons the bill putting into effect the constitution of the Irish Free State and the Free State "consequential provision bill." Both measures received their first formal reading.