

CORK HOMES OF IRISH REBELS DESTROYED BY SOLDIERS

UNIVERSITIES' DELEGATIONS TO BE ASKED TO SUBMIT LOWEST POSSIBLE AMOUNTS REQUIRED

Royal Commission Conferring Today With Representatives of the Four Institutions Involved—Building Needs of Western University Set at \$1,300,000, With Maintenance Grant of \$200,000.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—The royal commission on university finance conferred today with representatives of Toronto, Queen's and Western universities with a view to discussing their financial requirements and in order to find out what is the bed-rock minimum figure that will cover their needs.

The three universities have totalled before the commission budgets which in the aggregate total over \$8,000,000. Of this sum, \$6,475,000 is to meet building requirements, as follows: Toronto, \$4,150,000; Western, \$1,300,000; Queen's, \$250,000, and Ontario College of Education, which is affiliated with Toronto, \$300,000.

The balance of the grand total, namely, \$1,525,000, represents the maintenance grant asked to finance the coming session of 1921-22. Toronto requires \$1,038,000; Queen's, \$344,000, and Western, \$200,000.

The three universities point out that these respective annual grants will have to increase from year to year to keep pace with their growth.

NOTE OF RATEPAYERS ONLY POSSIBLE WAY OF SOLVING NEW CITY HALL PROBLEM

Money Not Available Till Citizens Have Had Opportunity of Expressing Opinion—Plans Are Still Under Preparation—Mayor Little Has Nothing To Say.

While plans for new civic offices on the present site were still under way today, actual arrangements for the project were practically at a standstill because of the revelation that the council had greatly overestimated the funds at its disposal.

Several aldermen admitted today that they believed an appropriation of \$200,000 had been authorized by the legislature in 1919, but that investigation showed this was not the case. The appropriation was only approved on the understanding that more money would be taken on it. The fact that this money is not available will make it impossible to proceed with a building until more money is available.

Mayor Little was not able to say regarding the situation today. He intimated that he might make a statement of policy within a few days.

A vote of the ratepayers is considered as one of the ways in which the council decides that it must go ahead with a building program. The various policies in regard to civic offices could be submitted and authority obtained to make the necessary expenditure.

BRIAND OUTLINES POLICY; PROGRAM IS EXTENSIVE

New French Ministry Appears Before Parliament.

Paris, Jan. 20.—Aristide Briand's new ministry made its first bow before parliament today, and the new premier, M. Briand, and Philippe Berthelot, general secretary of the French foreign office, sat until after midnight finishing the declaration of policy which was submitted this morning for final approval to the whole cabinet. This meeting was held at the Elysee Palace, and was under the chairmanship of President Millerand.

It was forecast that the declaration would not be of the kind which says "our program can be told in a few words." On the contrary, it was said to be of considerable length, attempting to give, as far as possible, the light of the foreign policy of France the result of which brought about the downfall of the League administration.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.  
Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 26; lowest, 2.  
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 38; lowest, 26.

TOMORROW—CONTINUED MILD.  
Toronto, Jan. 20.—8 a.m.  
Fair and quite mild today and on Friday.

Forecasts.  
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:  
Stations. High. Low. Weather.  
Victoria. 38. 6. Clear.  
Calgary. 32. 4. Fair.  
Winnipeg. 32. 4. Fair.  
Port Arthur. 40. 20. Cloudy.  
Sault Ste. Marie. 28. 20. Cloudy.  
Parry Sound. 14. 10. Cloudy.  
Toronto. 24. 24. Cloudy.  
Kingston. 20. 8. Cloudy.  
Ottawa. 4. 4. Cloudy.  
Quebec. 4. 4. Cloudy.  
Father Point. 4. 4. Snow.  
St. John. 10. 0. Snow.  
Halifax. 14. 1. Cloudy.

Minus (—) means below zero.  
Weather Notes.  
Pressure continues high and weather cold along the Atlantic coast, while the movement of the low area from North Dakota to Northern Ontario has been attended by much milder weather, with sleet in Ontario and snow in Western Quebec.

In the West the weather is generally fair and moderately cold.

S. A. C. EMPLOYMENT BUREAUX TO CLOSE; GOVERNMENT ORDER

Same Order May Be Issued in Regard to City Office.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31

Duplication of Effort Given As Reason for the Order.

All employment bureaux operated by the Soldiers' Aid Commission will be closed January 31, A. D. F. E. Harley, the city council's representative on the local Soldiers' Aid Commission, has just returned from a conference with the minister of labor at Toronto and officials of the commission's head office.

The work in future will be handled by a special department of the Provincial Government Employment Bureau, which will deal exclusively with ex-soldiers. In London it is probable that William Casson, who has been conducting the employment work of the commission, will be given charge of the new department.

The action is being taken by the Government because it believes the present system results in unnecessary duplication of work. The Soldiers' Aid Commission for some time has been practically a government department. The employment bureau is also a government institution. Thus, the Government had two departments carrying on the same line of work.

The decision will have an important bearing on the local situation. Because of complaints regarding the administration of the government bureau the city opened an employment office in the Soldiers' Aid Commission building. The commission by the decision to conduct this for the city on the understanding that all expenses would be paid. The Government decision to abolish the Soldiers' Aid Bureau may mean that he will have to withdraw from the city office.

May Close City Office.  
The city office will not have to close as a result of the order, as there is no legislation at present prohibiting the operation of such an office by a municipality. The Government has hinted, however, that such legislation is contemplated.

TECHNICAL EVIDENCE GIVEN BY OFFICIALS AT 'PHONE INQUIRY

Board Will Hear Arguments of Legal Counsel Next.

Ottawa, Jan. 20.—(Canadian Press).—Proceedings at the telephone rates inquiry before the railway board this morning and the prospects for the telephone industry in Canada are still a few witnesses to be examined, after which the board will hear arguments by no less than nine counsel.

Evidence of an extremely technical nature given by officials of the Northern Electric Company, which supplies the Bell company with most of its equipment, occupied the morning sitting.

J. S. Cameron, the assistant superintendent of the Northern Electric Company, was under examination for over two hours. The crux of his evidence was that sales to the Bell telephone company are based upon cost of material, plus cost of manufacture, plus ten per cent profit.

A. C. McMaster, counsel for the Toronto Board of Trade, was able to show in connection with the purchase of copper wire that one other element of profit enters into the transactions between the two companies.

According to McMaster, the cost of the cable is based by the Northern Electric Company on the cost of wire and not on the cost of rods, the one process of manufacture being eliminated in the compilation.

U. S. COLLECTED DUTIES OF \$337,000,000 ON IMPORTED GOODS

Washington, Jan. 20.—The United States collected revenues amounting to approximately \$337,000,000 in 1920 on imported goods valued at \$2,108,000,000, it was learned today at the department of commerce. Goods amounting to about \$2,000,000,000 were admitted to the largest item in the dutiable list of goods imported was foodstuffs, partly or wholly of domestic origin, valued at \$1,120,000,000.

Crude materials for use in manufacturing, amounting to about \$1,550,000,000 in value, headed the list of free duty items.

DISTRICT PENSIONS OFFICE REVISED WITH D. S. C. R.

Orders Received Today As Result of the Recent Order-in-Council Passed by Federal Government—No Changes in Personnel.

As the result of orders received from Ottawa, the work of the local pensions district office was today amalgamated with the D. S. C. R., it was announced at D. S. C. R. headquarters.

Although the change will be only nominal for the time being the two offices will come entirely under the head of the D. S. C. R. as soon as the change can be effected.

The two departments have been working under separate heads in the past. As the result of an order-in-council passed by the Federal Government recently the change was authorized. Although the order went into effect several weeks ago in the western provinces, no change was made in Ontario until this week.

There will be little change in the administration of the pension board at the present time, it was announced. The work will be carried on by practically the same staff as formerly. At the present time the two offices are in different buildings, but as soon as the change can be effected the pension office will be moved to the Royal Bank Chambers which at the present time contains the headquarters of the D. S. C. R.

Although the pensions work will be brought locally under the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment the pensions board in Ottawa will remain as a distinct body.

SIR GEORGE FOSTER AND HIS BRIDE



This photograph of the minister of trade and commerce and his wife was taken just prior to leaving London for Canada. They were married at Geneva, where Sir George was attending the meeting of the League of Nations.

'BREAK' BETWEEN MORRISON AND DRURY IS GIVEN CONSIDERATION

U. F. O. Chiefs Discuss Issue in Early Morning.

MAKE NO STATEMENT

Burnaby Intimates Question Was Taken Up At Session.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—Hon. E. C. Drury, premier of Ontario whose difference with J. J. Morrison, organizer of the United Farmers of Ontario, has developed considerable discussion, was invited to the meeting of the U. F. O. executive at noon, and spent some hours in conference with his colleagues. The other members of the executive, they being R. S. Laves of Cayuga, who is ill, and Alex. Noble of Bridge, whose father died this week, were not present.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—The U. F. O. executive resumed business this morning, despite the fact that it was half past one when last night's session ended. Of the total executive of nine, six were present.

The question of Premier Drury's policy for broadening the party was only touched on last night, and it was stated that a good deal of room for discussion would be left for today's session before the Government's attitude could be considered again.

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MULE BREAKS LEG ON SOUTHERNER'S HEAD

Huntsville, Ala., Jan. 20.—The claims of Joseph Jones of Merriam, to hospital attaches here, that he had "some bean" was borne out today when his story that he had been kicked by a mule on the head and that as a result the animal was "lving helpless with a broken leg" was investigated and found to be true.

Jones said his way was blocked by a stray mule, and he made threatening gestures to frighten it away. It refused to stampede, however, meeting the assault with a well-directed kick to the brow. The mule's leg was broken in two places. It was pronounced a helpless cripple and shot.

Jones will recover.

WILL TRANSPORT IRISH REBELS ON TRIPS TO CHECK AMBUSH ATTACKS

Military Authorities To Adopt Drastic Measures to Insure Safety.

AREA IS RESTRICTED

Proclamation Applies Only to City and County of Dublin, and County Meath.

Dublin, Jan. 20.—The military authorities issued a proclamation today declaring that if bomb and firearm attacks on crown forces in motor cars continue "known rebels will be treated as hostages for the safe conduct of the occupants of all motor vehicles which are the property of the armed forces of the crown."

The police applies to the city and county of Dublin and county Meath.

COUNCIL INSISTS POLICE ENFORCE SUNDAY LAWS

Berwick, Pa., Jan. 20.—Strict enforcement of Sabbath observance laws here is demanded by the police in an order the Berwick council today.

The ordinance, enacted so long ago as 1864, has been revived. Under the order, soda fountains, ice cream parlors, newspaper stands, will be directed by the police to remain closed on Sunday hereafter. Gasoline stations are included in the ban, and motorists who remain at home until Monday unless some can be borrowed. No newspapers will be sold, either on the streets or in stores, and drug stores may only fill prescriptions and dispense medicines.

WATCHMAN IS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH WORCESTER FIRES

Police Are Making Vigorous Search to Land Suspected Incendiaries.

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 20.—City and state police pursued vigorously today their inquiry into the series of mysterious fires which destroyed property worth \$1,500,000 in the business and manufacturing districts yesterday.

The police are making a vigorous search for the incendiaries who were at work, and directed that all suspicious characters be kept under observation. Chief Avery of the fire department said his investigation indicated strongly that a number of fires were deliberately set.

William H. Taylor, night watchman at the Worcester Hotel, the only person detained as a result of the investigation, was under observation at the Worcester Hotel today. He was booked at police headquarters as an inmate after an alienist had examined him at the request of a state police officer who took him in custody.

The Merriell building was one of those burned. It was in the lumber district and contained woodworking plants. Police guards were placed around most of the public buildings in the city which proved to be for minor fires, there was no further outbreak of trouble for the remainder of the night.

A report of attempted incendiarism in the tenement district of Grafton Square last night came to the police today from Mrs. P. W. Fitzpatrick. Awakened by a noise in the rear of her home, she said, she saw from the window two men near a barn that is used as a storehouse. One carried a torch, and was apparently about to enter the barn cellar when she cried out to him. He dropped the torch and both men fled, she said.

FRESHMEN HELD ON CHARGES OF ARSON

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 20.—Austin L. Ingersoll, 17, of Elmira, a member of the freshman class at St. John's Military Academy at Manlius, last night was locked up in the county house jail here to await action on three indictments for arson in the third degree, as a result of investigations into fires which caused more than \$200,000 damage to school buildings of the academy recently.

The district attorney said the cadet made a statement admitting he had set fire to three buildings. According to the prosecutor, the youth stated destruction of school property would probably result for the remainder of the year, and he would then return to his home in Elmira.

SOLEMNIZE DEATH OF ST. FRANCIS

London, Jan. 20.—Pope Benedict has made public an encyclical letter inviting the Christian world to solemnize in 1926 the seventh centenary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi, founder of the Order of Franciscans, says a Central News dispatch from Rome.

LONDON MOTHERS' CLUBS DEMAND IMMEDIATE BUILDING OF CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Sub-Executive of Mothers' Clubs Calls for Resignation of Trustees If Decision Is Not Reached Wednesday Night—Deplores Great Delay That Has Resulted From Differences of Opinion in Regard to Collegiate Institute.

That the mothers' clubs of the city are bound to see that the local school board shall come to some decision immediately with regard to the Collegiate Institute question is evinced in the following document, drawn up by Mrs. (Gertrude) Wreghitt of the London Mothers' Club, as the result of an informal meeting of the sub-executive held Wednesday afternoon at her home. The document demands a central collegiate institute (size not defined), to be built on the old site, and guarantee given that it be ready for occupancy by September 1st of this year. The document also suggests that it would be well if the board of education would confer with a representative delegation from the mothers' clubs in the same spirit as they allowed the past trustees to present their opinions a week ago. It is said that if the deadlock between the trustees is not broken next Wednesday it will be necessary for all the trustees to resign and a new election to take place.

Deplores Loss of Time.  
The sub-executive of the Union Mothers' Club (which executive included Mrs. Wreghitt and Mrs. (Elizabeth) Wreghitt, who were present at the meeting yesterday), fully realize and deplore the time and trouble spent by the members of the board of education on this question last year, but deplore the fact that so much valuable time has passed without result, and feel that the appeal cannot be made too emphatic that the school board should take immediate action of some definite kind.

The mothers regretted that the public schools had to be used for such a lengthened period, as the seats were very unsuitable for older pupils, and many were suffering from the cramped positions imposed upon them. On the other hand, it was thought that the higher seats had been installed for their use, the public school children suffered.

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BORAH'S RESOLUTION CALLING FOR ARMAMENT REDUCTIONS PASSES SENATE COMMITTEE

Washington, Jan. 20.—Senator Borah's resolution proposing negotiations for reduction of naval building by the United States, Great Britain and Japan, was reported favorably today by the Senate foreign relations committee.

In lieu of the original proposal that the negotiations look to a reduction of 50 per cent in future building for five years, the committee proposed that the negotiations provide for such reductions as can be agreed upon.

No record vote was taken on the Borah resolution, but that offered by Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana, proposing that the United States have a representative participate with the disarmament commission of the league of nations, was defeated 8 to 3 on a straight party alignment.

"BIG SIX" WAGING WINNING FIGHT AGAINST T. B.

New York, Jan. 20.—Christy Mathewson, former star pitcher of the New York Giants, who for seven months has been fighting a hip-and-lug game with the milder of the New York Giants, scored yesterday when he left his bed for the first time.

Swathed in bandages, he was wheeled out on a chair and wheeled out on the front porch. As his wife sat beside him, both of them smiling, the pitcher registered 20 below zero, Christy said. "I'm happy and know that I'll get well again."

Peggy Marsh Is Wed to American

RUSSIANS HELD IN U. S. BECAUSE THEY FAILED TO PAY TAX

New York, Jan. 20.—The marriage of Peggy Marsh, English actress, to Albert L. Johnson, member of a prominent New York family, was celebrated at Greenwich, Conn., on January 5, became known here today.

The bride is confined in a sanatorium here, where she recently underwent an operation for appendicitis. Miss Marsh has occurred at Greenwich, Upper Silesia, between an armed mob and the plebeian zone police. The fighting lasted for several hours, adds the report and casualties occurred on both sides.

ARMED MOB AND POLICE FIGHT IN UPPER SILESIA

London, Jan. 20.—A wireless dispatch from Berlin reports that an encounter has occurred at Brochschütz, Upper Silesia, between an armed mob and the plebeian zone police. The fighting lasted for several hours, adds the report and casualties occurred on both sides.

REVEALED BY THE MOVIES

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 20.—O. W. Page went to a moving picture show the other night. One of the films showed the New Year's festivities at a local hotel. Today Page brought suit for \$20,000 against H. H. Souders, an apartment hotel owner, alleging alienation of his wife's affections.

According to Page, the picture showed Souders and Mrs. Page participating together in the festivities. Mrs. Page recently obtained a divorce from Page.

DROPS DEAD WHILE FIRE DESTROYS HOME

Glen Falls, N. Y., Jan. 20.—As he stood watching fire destroy his home at Glen Falls, today, Edward Wolfe, a farmer, was stricken with heart failure and fell dead. Three hundred dollars was found concealed in a bureau which was saved from the flames, and it is said that Wolfe had a much larger amount concealed in the cellar.

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