

# IRELAND IS FREER FROM CRIME TODAY THAN IN YEARS

## LIQUOR SMUGGLING ON A HUGE SCALE ALONG ATLANTIC COAST; FISHERMEN REAPING A HARVEST

Assistance of U. S. Navy Has Been Asked in an Effort To Reduce Illegal Rum Traffic—Capital Totalling Millions Reported To Be Behind the Scheme To Bring In "Wet Goods."

New York, July 25.—Federal authorities along the Atlantic coast today rebuffed the suggestion of a large-scale liquor smuggling operation, following disclosure of evidence indicating the existence of at least two large-scale international whiskey smuggling rings, one having headquarters in this city, and one in Atlantic City. Aid of the navy department was also being sought in an effort to build up a rum-running fleet capable of coping with the mysterious ships and their allied fishing smacks, which are alleged to have landed hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of contraband liquor at secluded points under cover of darkness.

According to Leroy W. Ross, United States district attorney of Brooklyn, foreign and domestic capital aggregating several million dollars is behind the whiskey smuggling conspiracy. Keenest watch was being kept by revenue boats today off Montauk Point, toward which authorities were tipped, a large vessel was bound from the Bahamas Islands with a cargo of 15,000 to 20,000 cases of choice Irish and Scotch whiskey. The conspirators, learning that word of the sailing had reached federal officials, were reported trying frantically to get in touch with the whiskey runner to direct her to another point less carefully watched.

Fishermen reaping harvest off the three-mile limit off Atlantic City yesterday, according to reports received here, and taunted federal agents by breaking out permanent saying: "Lay down your money and come and get it."

The tramp slipped away as night fell, and it was thought she was heading for some deserted point, where fishing vessels would work unhindered at the task of lightening their cargo ashore. A three-masted schooner, suspected of being a rum ship also was reported off Atlantic City.

Fishermen along the coast, according to Mr. Ross, are reaping a rich harvest running the forbidden cargoes ashore. They work almost entirely at night, he said, making landings at a point known to be free from surveillance. Their compensation is said to be \$15 for every case of whiskey landed, and many of the fishermen are declared to have abandoned entirely regular trips to the fishing banks in favor of the more lucrative smuggling. The smugglers are on shore by automobile truckmen, who whisk their cargoes away to secret storerooms.

Efforts of federal agents to check whiskey-running along the coast have led so far to seizure of two vessels. They are the schooner Curlew, taken last week off the coast of Florida, and the fishing smack Jennie T., seized on Saturday at New Haven. Government men have also boarded the British schooner Pocumokeo at Atlantic City, but as the vessel's papers show her "wet cargo" to be consigned to Canada, no action has been taken against her or her crew. A part of the Pocumokeo's cargo was jettisoned off Atlantic City, her captain admitted, but this was done, he declared, because the vessel was in distress and not because of any design to get the cargo ashore there.

London, July 25.—If Mr. De Valera decides to sunbathe in the possible, as the British Government will release the prisoners in accordance with the request of the Republican leader, already made, says the Daily Mail. It is understood that those detained number between 39 and 40, while about 90 are at liberty.

The question of general amnesty in Ireland has been mooted, but, according to the Mail, the Government regards this as not feasible for the present. It is proposed, however, that the prisoners be released on parole, and that they be allowed to travel in Ireland in order to induce and United States visitors to go there.

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## DE VALERA AND HIS CABINET CONSIDERING PEACE TERMS

Proposals Made by Lloyd George Now Before the Irish Republicans.

### LIBERATE MEMBERS

Between Thirty and Forty Yet Detained by British Authorities.

Dublin, July 25.—The Irish peace proposals made by Premier Lloyd George to Eamon De Valera in London last week were taken up by the Republican leader and his cabinet today. The cabinet, which began its session during the forenoon, met at the Mansion House.

Countess Markievicz, who was released from Mountjoy prison Sunday, sat with the cabinet, and took part in the discussion over the proposed peace terms. The countess, who was sentenced last December to two years' imprisonment at hard labor on the charge of having conspired to organize a seditious society, is an elected member of the Southern Irish Parliament and minister of labor in the Republican cabinet.

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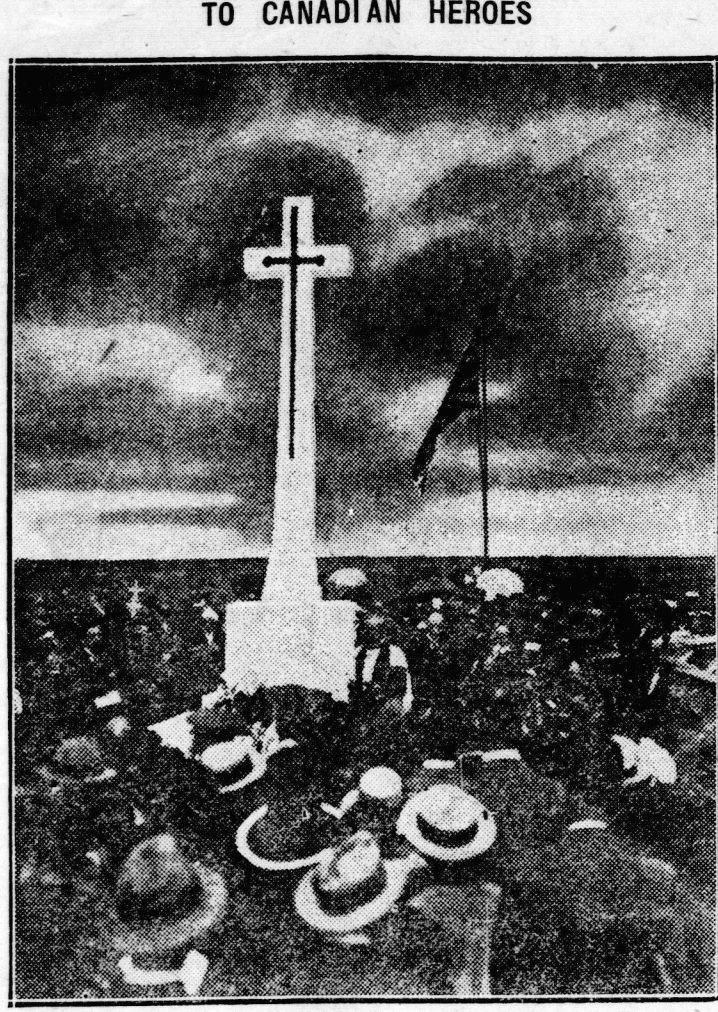
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Huge crowds watched Premier Meighen unveil a memorial on Vimy Ridge, the scene of a striking Canadian victory in the Great War.

## BOY SHOULD BE IN A HOSPITAL, NOT AT MIMICO

One of Youthful Sextet Is Suffering With St. Vitus Dance.

ACTION IS URGENT

Inspector W. E. Kelly Declares Future of Boys Is Imperilled.

That one of the six youngsters who were taken to the Mimico Reformatory on Friday suffers from St. Vitus' dance and should, if proper justice be meted out, be treated at a hospital for an indefinite period, is the frank opinion of W. E. Kelly, of the Children's Aid Society, who conducted the boys to that institution, where they are doomed to remain for a period of two years.

The prisoners were convicted of plain theft of an automobile, although they admit abandoning the same after what was intended to be a "joy ride." Theft of the car was never intended, but the police magistrate affirms that they had no other alternative but to sentence them to the provincial reformatory. All were first offenders, and from all reports not potentially criminal or malicious at heart.

"Yes, there is every indication of getting a juvenile court," he replied to a question: "that is, if we can get it for nothing. The principal objects of the Children's Aid Society are to get a city hall for nothing all the objects would be for it. However, it is an open question, and everyone has a right to their opinion, but when it comes to a question of the best thing to do for the welfare of our boys, the expenditure should not be the only consideration."

Are in Danger.

"The saving of even one child means considerable, although it may not be apparent to many. These six youths whom I have just taken to the school will have to be paid for, clothed and fed until their time is ended. After they return the chances are that they will be sent to another institution for a long stretch, or the gallows at the worst."

"It has reached the time for someone to talk. The only unfortunate part of this last affair is that there are not one or two children of the wealthy class implicated; we might then get more interest. This issue must be made to hit home. What difference does it make who gets the position as juvenile court judge? Of course, if I say anything, these vigorous objects are loud in protest that I am merely feathering."

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## PRIESTS WERE NOT ASSESSED FOR CIVIC TAXES

Assessment Department Officials' Failure Cause of Many Rumors.

### READY TO PAY

Vicar - General O'Connor Opens Seminary Books For Investigation.

Alleging that 33 Roman Catholic priests in this city and students at St. Peter's Seminary here, liable for statute labor tax, have not been assessed for same, a local citizen has written to The Advertiser questioning why such a state of affairs is allowed to exist. Investigation conducted by an Advertiser reporter revealed the fact that while 33 did not escape statute labor tax, at least six priests or students have done so, through laxity at the local assessment office.

While the assessment roll at the city hall shows that there were 33 males at St. Peter's Seminary on June 10 (none of whom are shown as liable for statute labor tax), a personal inspection of the attendance roll of this institution by permission of Vicar-General O'Connor, shows that on June 10 there were but nine seminarians enrolled. Either 24 of the 33 males on the roll were therefore made by the assessor on the job or erroneous information was given to him.

Of these nine on the roll, one is a Londoner, who is therefore liable to statute labor tax, but he is not so assessed. The remaining eight permanently reside in outside centres, and are therefore liable for tax at their own homes. However, there are four priests on the staff at the seminary who have not been assessed at all, although they reside here during the greater part of the year, and earn their livelihood in this city.

Another candidate eligible for statute labor tax is Vicar-General O'Connor, who admitted to The Advertiser this morning that he had not been assessed, although liable for the tax.

"They did not get me," he admitted, with a smile, "although I am my household here, which is less than \$1,000 per annum. I can assure you, and therefore I pay no income tax. All the assessments here are more than 21 years of age. If we are liable why do we not pay?"

Vicar-General O'Connor stated that two other London boys were listed at the seminary last year, but were ordered last May. He stated that 22 was the highest enrollment at the seminary this year, so that the assessment roll showing 33 there is not correct. He stated that there are 19 priests in the city of London, and rightly declares that any escape in payment of taxes by any one of those priests or students, is due to laxity of the assessment department, and not deliberate evasion.

During the investigation, City Assessor Stephen Grant was the first person questioned by the reporter. "I don't know anything about it," he remarked, (Continued On Page Three.)

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## MOSQUITO PEST INVADERS CITY; MANY THEORIES ADVANCED FOR NUMBER AND SIZE OF INSECTS

Some Citizens Blame Condition of River Thames Accentuated by Flood—Others Say Mild Winter Failed To Kill Larvae From Last Year—Some Popular Remedies Are Recommended.

Using an expletive which is recognized as permissible on occasion, but which is not as more emphatic than polite, a well-known West London man, in conversation with an Advertiser reporter today, not only declared that those who ascribe to the prevalence of the pest from which many Londoners are reported to be suffering, to carelessness in diet, or even to the excessive heat spell, "either don't know what they are talking about, or they are purposely refraining from stating the cause."

Seeing the look of surprise on the reporter's face, he added with the same emphatic manner, "But I can tell you what is the cause, and it is one that is of no credit to the officials of the city responsible for the public health."

"What is the cause?" ventured the reporter, during the pause which followed.

"Mosquitoes!" "Mosquitoes!" was the blunt retort. "Have you noticed the unusual number and the very unusual size of this pest this summer?" he asked.

The reporter admitted that not only had he noticed it himself, but that he had also heard other people comment on the fact, but thinking it a minor feature of the unusual weather conditions he had taken little more than casual notice of.

"Minor!" Again the emphatic expletive. "Nothing of the kind. It is the result of allowing the River Thames to become nothing better than an open cesspool, rather more than average dimensions," continued the speaker.

Nothing Done.

"But where was the sanitary squad?"

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## LONDON MAN MISSING FOR THREE WEEKS

Wm. Blanchard, 203 Wellington Street, Left Home On July 4.

Intimating to his parents that he was merely going down town for a little while, William Blanchard, 23, and living at 203 Wellington street, left the house on the afternoon of July 4, and to date all efforts to find him have failed.

His mother has enlisted the aid of the city detective force, and to The Advertiser. "He had always been employed in box factories in the city, but they were only working two or three at a time, and it was not very satisfactory to him. He packed his clothes and went to St. Thomas with this idea in view, but returned next day, as his grip, with everything he had, was stolen there on circus day. The day he went down town, the 4th of the month, he made no mention of going away, and as he had never done anything like that before I am afraid that something serious must have happened to him."

"I have made inquiries at the different offices where he sends out farm help, but they have seen nothing of him. They have him registered at one office, but after getting in touch with their other branches they reported that nothing had been seen or heard of him."

Mrs. Blanchard asserts that her missing son has not when one got into scrapes or run off without telling first where he was going. For this very reason she is thoroughly alarmed over the fact that she has had no letter from him, which she feels would be forthcoming if he had found employment on a farm in the district.

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## THUG DECLINES TO ROB ARMLESS WAR VETERAN

Vancouver, B. C., July 25.—An empty sleeve and a returned soldier's button disarmed a hold-up man here late Saturday night.

C. Dreikamp, a Canadian expatriate, was halted at the point of a gun and asked for money. Then he heard the highwayman apologizing for the sake of the empty sleeve. "I hate to do this," said the gunman, "but I have a family to support." And he walked away.

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## GREEKS CONTINUE ADVANCE; MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

Turkish Nationalist Troops in Asia Minor Being Pursued.

Athens, July 25.—The Greeks in Asia Minor have been following up energetically the victory they gained over the Turkish Nationalists in the fighting brought on by the attempt of the Kemalists to recapture the Bagdad railway, according to official advices from the fighting front received here. The Greeks captured forty guns and took a great number of prisoners, the announced states. Within a short time after the close of the battle and the definite repulse of the Turkish effort, the Greeks had advanced more than 25 miles to the east of Eskishehr, and were continuing their pursuit of the enemy toward the interior.

GOVERNMENT OVERTHROWN.

London, July 25.—Athens dispatches to the Exchange Telegraph Company say that Sunday newspapers there publish reports from Smyrna telling of a revolution in the city of Smyrna, a mile south of 300 miles south of Ankara. The reports declare Turkish Nationalist Government authorities have been overthrown by the population of Smyrna.

WOOD, NO DOUBT, TO BE SELECTED PREMIER

President of Alberta Farmers' Organization Is Non-Committal.

Calgary, July 25.—H. W. Wood, president of the United Farmers of Alberta, is the only man seriously mentioned by the different members-elect of the U. F. A. as the next premier of Alberta. The members-elect are already beginning to gather for the meeting on Tuesday, when a preliminary leader will be appointed. Whether or not Mr. Wood will accept the premiership is still an uncertainty. The farmers' president persists that he can make no statement until he hears the wishes of the successful candidates of his group at next Tuesday's conference, but he says he will be ready to make a statement when the time comes.

The new cabinet is likely to have two or three members not members-elect of the U. F. A. It is practically certain in political circles that an outsider will be chosen as attorney-general and also an even chance of the portfolio of provincial treasurer going to an outsider. If an alliance with Labor is completed by the new government the name of Alex Ross one of the Labor members-elect is prominently mentioned for that position, with G. S. Johnson of Medicine Hat as second choice.

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## ESCAPED PRISONERS RETURN CLOTHES TO GOVERNOR OF JAIL

Garments Return to Chatham Official With Charges "Collect."

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, July 25.—Lots of nerve is necessary to break out of a jail, but an additional amount is also required when escaped prisoners express their prison clothes back "collect" to the place of their confinement. But that's exactly what two of the prisoners who escaped from the county jail recently did. Governor Davidson received the parcel via Dominion Express this morning.

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## GERMAN SOCIALIST WILL ATTEND FRENCH FUNCTION

Paris, July 25.—Arthur Crispin, German Socialist leader and member of the Reichstag, has been extended a special invitation to attend a ceremony opening the Seine section of the French Socialist party to be held next Saturday in Paris to commemorate the death of Jean Leon Jaures, the noted French Socialist leader, who was assassinated in July, 1914.

Crispin has signified that he will accept the invitation according to Paul Faure, secretary general of the Seine federation.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

Southampton, July 23.—Olympic, from New York, via Cherbourg.

Liverpool, July 24.—Metagami, from New York.

London, July 24.—Old North State, from New York.

Christiansand, July 25.—Frederick VIII., from New York.

## RESCUED GIRL WHO LEAPED OVERBOARD

Toronto, July 24.—Three members of the Robins Players Company, appearing at a local theatre, Miss Miriam Sears, Norval Keedwell and George LeGuere, when crossing the bay from Toronto Island in a dinghy yesterday, got in the way of one of the island ferry boats, and in the excitement Miss Sears jumped overboard, but was rescued without much difficulty.

The captain of the ferry saw a collision was imminent he reversed his engines, and the waves from the big paddles began to churn forward just as the small boat was reached. The current shot the dinghy about the boat around, and helped them aboard. The members of the party had been swimming at the island and were still in their bathing suits.

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## ADVERTISER HAS NEW VICE-PRESIDENT AND MANAGING DIRECTOR

Harry B. Muir Has Had An Unusually Wide Experience.

Harry B. Muir has purchased a large interest in The Advertiser, and on August 1 assumes direction of the paper as vice-president and managing director. Born on the banks of the Avon,

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