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SAYS SINN FEIN IS NOT MAKING PEACE OVERTURES

Dublin Paper Forecasts Manifesto by De Valera

Quoted as Expressing Willingness to Negotiate if Ireland Recognized as Independent—Case of Cork's Lord Mayor.

Dublin, Jan. 6.—Eamon De Valera denies that the Irish Sinn Fein is making peace overtures to England, says the Freeman's Journal, in an exclusive forecast of De Valera's forthcoming manifesto.

Speaking in behalf of the movement, De Valera is quoted as saying he would not turn a deaf ear to proposals of the English government, if they are based upon recognition of Ireland as an independent nation.

When representatives of the British nation are prepared to meet representatives of the Irish nation on an equal footing, peace talks will be possible, says the forecast of the manifesto.

De Valera explains, adds the newspaper, that his return from the United States was necessary so that he might assume responsibility for the direction of the Sinn Fein, in view of the arrest of Arthur Griffith, founder of the organization, and of Professor MacNeill.

In the manifesto, De Valera is quoted as denying that he is under guarantees of protection from the British government, and it is said that the crown forces are searching for him and are anxious to place him under arrest.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Secretary Wilson of the labor department announced today that he had granted parole to Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork, detained at New York by immigration authorities, on his own recognizances pending decision as to his admission into the United States.

VAGARIES OF THE WORK SITUATION

Wage Cut in One Place; Increase in Another—Some Factories Open While Others Close—In England.

Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 6.—A number of local industries, closed for some time, will resume operations next week, it was announced today.

The Kellogg Toasted Corn Flakes Co. and the A. B. Stove Co. plants plan to re-open on Monday.

Boston, Jan. 6.—Business and industry generally will benefit by the present commercial let-up, said Charles M. Schwab, chairman of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, at the annual dinner of the Massachusetts Bankers' Association last night.

Fitzgerald, Georgia, Jan. 6.—A wage reduction equal to fifty per cent. of all increases granted since 1917, is announced by the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic Railroad.

An Increase Here. Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 6.—Conductors, motormen, maintenance of way men, shopmen and workers in the car barns of the Georgia Railway and Power Co. have been granted a two cents an hour increase in wages. The increase affects 1,200 men.

Niles, Ohio, Jan. 6.—Officials of the Hubbard Pressed Steel Company here announced today that the plant, which employs 1,000 men, would be closed down indefinitely. The shut-down followed a wage reduction of 20 per cent., which was announced Monday.

London, Jan. 6.—From all parts of the country some accounts of growing unemployment. In London alone nearly 100,000 unemployed persons are registered at the labor exchanges and on the Clyde, on the Tyne side, and the Tees and the Wear shipping districts in Lancashire and Yorkshire, in Birmingham, Coventry, Northampton, Luton said indeed in nearly all the great manufacturing towns the same gloomy story is repeated.

Whether employers nor employees seem prepared to adopt the government's scheme for workmen to work shorter hours. The government proposal to place as far as possible the royal dockyards and state industrial departments on part time work with great opposition.

QUEBEC CITY AND DIVORCE

Not a Single Application for Coming Session of Federal House.

Quebec, Jan. 6.—The residents of the city of Quebec enjoy the honor of belonging to a city and district from which no application for divorce has been made up to the present for the coming session of the federal house.

One case of marriage has been annulled by the religious and civil authorities and two others are now under study by the religious authorities.

AN INJUNCTION IS OBTAINED

Legal Action to Prevent Striking Machinists From Interfering With Can Company's Plants.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—An injunction restraining 800 machinists from conspiring to interfere with the operation of the American Can Co. plants in Maywood and Chicago is in force today.

The machinists of the local plants went on strike in sympathy with the machinists of the American Can shops at Kansas City, and fifty other cities, who are demanding a closed shop.

500 MINERS IDLE AT SPRINGHILL

Tie-up Caused by Strike of Sheet Tenders—U. M. W. President on the Way to Scene of Trouble.

Springhill, N. S., Jan. 6.—Five hundred miners are idle in Springhill at the result of a walkout of sheet tender yesterday. Efforts to patch up the trouble failed.

The chief cause of the trouble was the refusal of the sheet tenders to perform their work of keeping the miners inside the main slope supplied with boxes.

Their grievance is that they were ordered to tend two inclines in place of one, as they have been doing.

At a meeting of the Springhill local last night a delegation was selected to see the management to arrange matters. The men were refused an interview, they said.

President Baxter of the U. M. W. will arrive here today. It is claimed that the Montreal agreement has been broken.

Today's Meeting. Amherst, N. S., Jan. 6.—At a meeting of the local U. M. W. in Springhill this morning, no action was taken regarding the "walkout" from Number 2 yesterday morning, it being held that nothing should be done until the arrival of President Baxter.

BROADEN SCOPE OF PHONE INQUIRY

Proceedings at Session in Ottawa Yesterday on Matter of Increased Rates.

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—(By Canadian Press).—Application for the widening of the investigation into the Bell Telephone Company's books to take in the Northern Electric Company and other subsidiaries was made yesterday at the resumed hearing of the Bell company's application for increased rates.

G. H. Geary, Toronto counsel, and E. Lovell, counsel for the Province of Ontario, made this request, saying that the Bell Telephone Company had had over profitable business to the Northern Electric and that apparently impoverished itself. Had the Bell company been manufacturing their own apparatus and equipment as formerly, these counsel contended, the profit shown in the Bell company's book would have been entirely different.

Commissioner McLean, who was in the chair, promised a ruling from the board on this before the case had proceeded very far.

When the hearing of the application was proceeded with, examination of C. F. Sise, general manager of the Bell Telephone Company, and E. Palm, controller, occupied all of the day's session. Mr. Sise said that the company had lost more than one and a half millions on its operations for eleven months of 1920. The estimated increased revenue to be derived from the increased rates, he said, was \$4,776,000, of which \$2,000,000 had been paid, the balance available to apply towards increased operating and maintenance expenses and cost of financing would be \$1,811,388.

GREEK JUDGE IS ASSASSINATED

Athens, Jan. 6.—A party of soldiers, whose identity or affiliations are not known, last night assassinated Colonel Stefan Patzanos, who was the chief judge advocate of courts martial and a Venizelos. He had acted as judge in numerous celebrated cases of a semi-political nature, and had incurred much enmity in consequence. He was regarded as a Venizelist and had received many threatening letters.

OPEN GATES OF U. S. TO UNSKILLED LABORERS

New York, Jan. 6.—It is said that representatives of the National Immigration Council will go before the senate committee on immigration in Washington next week to urge that unskilled laborers be encouraged to enter the United States rather than be restricted.

DIES AS HIS WIFE IS ABOUT TO BE BURIED

Batavia, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Martin C. Tyler, ninety years old died yesterday as the funeral service of his wife was about to begin. A double funeral was held today.

ALLEGED LOUDER HAS CONFESSED

Halifax Detective Says Prisoner Claims Self Defence

Says He Took Revolver From Barry, Shot Him, Set Fire to Bed Clothes and Decamped With Money and Watch.

Summerside, P. E. I., Jan. 6.—George Louder of Summerside has confessed to shooting Detective Barry, a Pictou cripple, and setting fire to the oil-saturated bed in which the body lay, according to Chief Detective Kennedy of the Halifax police department.

Alleges, the police say, that he shot Barry in self-defence after he had been threatened with a revolver in the course of an argument over the payment of money owed Louder for plastering and carpentry work.

Louder broke down and went in his cell at the Prince county jail last night as he told the detective and Chief of Police MacAulay of Pictou the circumstances of the occurrence at Barry's house on the night of December 30, volunteering, Mr. Kennedy said, a full and complete statement which was borne out by investigations made by the police.

The Prisoner's Story. According to the statement made to the police, Louder visited the Barry house during the morning of Thursday, December 30, in an unsuccessful attempt to get his money. He came back in the afternoon. Both he and Barry had been drinking, and during an argument they were talking and Louder picked up a revolver which was lying on the table and was going to fire at Louder, but the latter wrested the gun from the old hand, Barry then lay down on the bed and said: "Don't hurt me."

Louder told the police he shot Barry and then walked until dark when he threw a can of oil on the bed and set it on fire with the lamp. He left the house, taking about one hundred dollars and a watch which he found on the kitchen table. The revolver that the police discovered when Louder was arrested belonged to Barry, the prisoner said.

A MIXED CASE

"Yo' Honah, I went for gin, 'cause I knowed it was there, for I got it there before and then people have been selling it," was the answer given by Arthur Stevens, colored, charged with attempting to steal and also with common assault, when he appeared in the police court this morning.

Mrs. Julia Zed, 25, of Brunswick street, said the man went into her house acting suspiciously and when she asked him what he was doing he struck her. She said she heard his mother scream and went to see what was going on and he went to the accused in the hall. He struggled with him but he got away and the only means of identification was his cap which had been knocked off. Lizzie Marsh and Mrs. Sadie Moses corroborated the evidence of the last witness. Detective Biddiscombe told of going to the house and from information received there went to Erin street where he found the accused.

The accused admitted going to the house but said he went there to get gin and as he was going down the stairs took a bottle away from him. The accused said he did not pay for the bottle as he had gotten gin there before and thought he could be trusted on this occasion.

The accused was remanded and the case postponed for witnesses for the prosecution. W. M. Ryan conducted the prosecution. Two men charged with drunkenness pleaded guilty and were remanded to jail.

JOBLESS PLAN A MARCH ON WASHINGTON

New York, Jan. 6.—Plans for a march on Washington as a protest against layoffs of unemployed, the "legion" were made here last night by the American Legion of Jobless, organized at an open air meeting on the East side of New York city.

The march would start from New York about February 1 and that the procession would be accompanied by rolling kitchens, and a food train.

After passing resolutions calling upon Congress to pass laws governing insurance against unemployment, the legionaries shambled down Second avenue to the Municipal Lodging House and a free bunk.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Beadish sentiment received new impetus today on account of the suspension of the British American Continental bank in London. The strength of sterling exchange, however, in the face of the bank failure attracted considerable attention. Traders showed an evident disposition to go slow on provision reflected the decline of cereals and of hogs.

Opening prices, which ranged from 1/2 to 2 cents lower, with March 1.68 1/2, and May 1.62 1/2, were followed by a moderate further setback and then something of a rally.

Corn sympathizing with the weakness of wheat. After opening 1-8 off to a like advance, including May at 74 to 74 1/2, the market hardened a little, but then sagged.

Oats were easier like other grain, sterling unchanged to 1-8 lower, May 48 7-8 and then tending downward.

Provision reflected the decline of cereals and of hogs. Premier Squires, of Newfoundland, denies that Newfoundland is planning heavy purchases of railway and other supplies in the United States.

As Hiram Sees It

"Well," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "they you got over Christmas and New Year's yet?"

"I have not," said the reporter. "There have been so many things to eat in the house that the novelty overcame discretion and I have eaten not wisely but too well. I am only about two jumps ahead of the doctor this present minute."

"I thought you looked kinda fagged out," said Hiram. "We can't get over the old habit our ancestors had—kin we?"

"We don't get full of booze and roll under the table, but we do love to gorge good vittles—yes sir."

"And then," said the reporter, "when we feel the effects we wish we had sent some of the stuff around to a neighbor who hadn't enough."

"An' it aint nothin' to our credit neither," said Hiram. "We orto think of them neighbors in the fast place."

"Well, do it next Christmas," said the reporter. "There—I knowed you wasn't well," said Hiram. "An' there's the proof. But you'll be just as hungry next year as you was this—By Hen!"

BIGGEST STORM IN FIVE YEARS WHITS HALIFAX

Nearly Twelve Inches of Snow Plays Havoc With Street Railway—Thirty Mile Wind.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 6.—With the tram service considerably hampered and many of the city streets impassable for autos, Halifax today is emerging from the heaviest snow storm of any day in January for the past five years.

Beginning late last night the snow, accompanied by a thirty mile westerly wind, fell continuously and at noon was still coming down steadily, though in lighter flakes. At which snaked the constable the snowfall measured 11.8 inches. The wind created many drifts, some of which are four to five feet deep.

TAKES THREE ON A CHARGE OF BURGLARY

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Concluding a long chase of many blocks, and after firing five revolver shots, Constable Desmetz arrested three men on a charge of attempted burglary last night.

The three prisoners were not hit by the bullets, but were slightly injured by a fall which snaked the constable to make the capture. A fourth member of the gang got away.

IN ACCORD ON DISARMAMENT BY THE GERMAN

Paris, Jan. 6.—Great Britain and France are in close accord relative to German disarmament and reparations, says the London correspondent of the Matin.

WEATHER REPORT

Summary.—The disturbance centered over the upper St. Lawrence yesterday has moved off the Nova Scotia coast, attended by strong winds or moderate gales, with snow in the maritime provinces.

Elsewhere in Canada, with the exception of the western provinces, it is fair and colder.

Gales and Snow. Maritime—Strong winds and gales from the northeast with light snow today. Friday fair and quite cold. Gulf and North Shore—Fair and quite cold today and on Friday.

Northern New England—Fair tonight and Friday. Colder tonight. Strong northwest winds, diminishing.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Temperatures: Stations. 6 a.m. Yesterday, Night. Victoria Rupert 26 34 24 Victoria 36 42 34 Kamloops 38 44 36 Calgary 6 14 *10 Edmonton 8 14 *10 Prince Albert 6 14 *10 Winnipeg 0 0 18 Kingston 20 26 18 White River 12 18 18 Sault Ste. Marie 6 14 *6 Toronto 40 40 22 Detroit 32 38 22 Ottawa 12 18 12 Montreal 18 22 18 Quebec 16 22 16 Halifax 16 22 16 St. John, N. B. 24 30 24 St. John's, Nfld. 20 24 18 Detroit 32 38 22 New York 38 44 38 *Below zero.

PROSPECT POINT ROAD MATTER

Question of Boundaries and Incorporation Discussed

Letter to Be Sent to Council by Mr. Gregory—Delegation Heard in Request for \$4,500 for Playground Work.

J. Fraser Gregory appeared at a meeting of the committee of the common council this morning with reference to the establishment of a boundary or of a line which would determine the exact lines of what is known as Prospect Point road, a part of the Murray & Gregory property running from Douglas avenue to the Strait Shore road. Men engaged in putting in sewer pipes at present in that locality and connecting them with the main. His contention was that the property owners should be consulted as to the width of the lots to which the sewers were being laid and the bounds definitely laid out before the work was proceeded with.

In answer to a question as to whether the road called Prospect Point road was an incorporated street, Mr. Gregory said he was under the impression that it was. He had had correspondence with members of former councils and he thought the matter had been settled. The land had never been deeded to the city. When Mr. Wigmore was commissioner of water and sewerage he had had an eight inch sewer main laid down the road and considered it a street. It was formerly known as Westmorland road, and he had thought of it as an incorporated street. When he found that the city workmen were doing he had called upon the commissioner and the city engineer. The latter had told him that the work was being done under orders from the council.

City Engineer G. G. Hare produced maps which showed that the Prospect Point road (as called) was not an incorporated street.

The mayor suggested that Mr. Gregory allow the land to be divided into lots to such number as is necessary and agree to abide by the number of cuttings as decided by the city and give bonds to guarantee that this disposition be not disturbed. If this were done he thought the city might take the necessary steps to make Prospect Point road an incorporated street.

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter told Mr. Gregory that he had the right to fix his own boundaries and say what he wanted the city to do and what it may do. Whether the city accepted this and incorporated the land as a street was for the council to say.

The mayor said that no more cuttings would be made today and the matter could be looked into. He suggested that Mr. Gregory and the city engineer, G. G. Hare, get together and arrive at an amicable settlement regarding the meters and bounds of the street.

Mr. Gregory said if the city would define the line and settle on the exact bounds of the street he would deed the land to the city. Frink suggested that he write to the mayor and common council embodying this in his letter. This Mr. Gregory agreed to do.

Playgrounds. A delegation composed of A. M. Belding, honorary president of the Playgrounds Association; W. K. Halsey, president, and L. M. Farquhar, secretary, asked for a grant of \$4,500 for the work of the coming year based upon the estimates which they had prepared. The estimates which they submitted showed a probable expenditure of at least \$4,500 as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Salaries \$1,238; Miss Heffer 900; Repairs, etc. 800; Supplies 200; Equipment 250; Sundry caretaker 250. Total \$4,508.

Mr. Halsey said he thought Rockwood playground should be run this season and run right and that it required money and proper supervision to do this. He followed by Mr. Belding, who briefly traced the history of the playgrounds movement in St. John. He said there were six playgrounds in the city which were under the supervision of the city.

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HOLES IN BACK OF HIS HEAD

Peculiar Physical Condition of Lad Charged With Many Burglaries.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Examination of McWhorter McGrath, youthful burglar, who has confessed to stealing fifty thousand dollars worth of valuables from 200 North Side residences, shows, according to Chief Justice Harry Olson, that he has holes in the back of his head in which one's fist could be put.

"If I happened to pass a dark house," McGrath confessed to police, "I worried me so when I got home that I could not sleep. Oft times I would get out of bed and go back and rub it."

MRS. SMITH MAY BE C. LEGISLATURE SPEAKER. Victoria, B. C., Jan. 6.—As a result of a cabinet meeting yesterday, it is understood that Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, who headed the poll in Vancouver by a tremendous plurality at the provincial elections on Dec. 1, will be tendered the speakership of the British Columbia legislature.

PEOPLE LIVING OVER A RAGING FURNACE

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 6.—Residents of lower west Scranton are living over a raging furnace, while officials are trying to determine the exact location of a fire in what is believed to be old mine workings about 500 feet below the surface.

STABBED TO DEATH BY MAN IN SPURTS

Camden, N. J., Jan. 6.—George Spotts, a waiter, was held up, robbed and stabbed to death here last night by two men in soldiers uniforms. Several suspects have been arrested but all established their innocence and were released.

BRITISH FREIGHTER ASHORE

New York, Jan. 6.—The British freighter Australpalm, bound from Las Palmas for New York, went ashore last night off Rockaway Beach.

MRS. MARGARET HODGES.

The death of Mrs. Margaret Hodges, 109 Sheffield street, took place this morning at her home, after an illness of some weeks. She was in the sixty-second year of her age. The funeral will take place from her late residence tomorrow afternoon.

THREE CARD MONTE VICTIMS INCREASE

Montreal Detectives Report More Trouble Since Court Decision Given.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Since the court of king's bench recently decided that three card monte was a game of skill and not a fraudulent game, the detective bureau here has been faced with a new problem. Within the last three days twenty-five complaints have been made by persons who say they have been invited into the game and have lost all their money. The amounts varied from \$50 to \$400.

Establishments are plying a busy trade in St. Lawrence Boulevard, their victims being mainly lumber-jacks with full purses.

OPPOSED TO A NAVAL HOLIDAY

British Naval Writer Says It Would Mean Death to British Fleet—United States and Japan in Different Position.

London, Jan. 6.—Archibald Hurd, naval correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, in an article discussing the proposed naval holiday, says:—

"If this country enters into an international compact of a naval holiday extending over five years, that agreement would be equivalent to the death knell of the British fleet, unless provision were made for maintaining practically essential for gun making, armor manufacture and the construction of torpedo tubes and torpedoes."

"We might awake at the end of the holiday to discover we still needed a navy, but that we had bartered away the capacity for creating one."

Mr. Hurd points out that the United States and Japan would not be in that position since they have in hand sufficient work to keep their ordnance making and armor manufacturing plants going for at least five years.

New York, Jan. 6.—(Canadian Press).—Letters from Lord Shaughnessy and Sir Robert Falconer, president of the University of Toronto, appear in the New York World this morning in connection with the newspaper's campaign advocating international disarmament.

Lord Shaughnessy. Lord Shaughnessy says: "I decidedly favor an agreement between the great powers regulating any restriction of naval and military expenditures, not only for economic reasons, but as an assurance that the expressed determination of the Allies to prevent future wars was seriously intended."

"Continued competitive armament construction would make the burden of taxation almost unbearable."

Sir Robert says: "Combined action should result in great economic relief. It should go far to remove suspicions of selfish aggrandizement and it should greatly advance the preservation of peace by agreement and should, because the leading nations of the world would show their unwillingness to apply to force for the settlement of disputes."

WOULD RESTORE DEATH PENALTY IN TWO STATES

St. Paul, Jan. 6.—Reinstatement of capital punishment in Minnesota for first degree murder is sought in a bill introduced in the state House of Representatives today by Representative Frank Nimocks of Minneapolis.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 6.—A bill was introduced in the senate of the South Dakota legislature today to restore capital punishment for first degree murder, which was abolished by the last legislature.

RETURNS HOME TO FIND HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER DEAD

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 6.—John Smith upon returning home from work last night found his wife and four year old daughter dead in a gas filled room. Detectives who investigated the case reported the woman evidently turned on the gas, clasped the child tightly to her bosom and held it until both were asphyxiated. She had been ill several weeks.

MILK WITH KICK IN COWLESS DAIRY

Chicago, Jan. 6.—A mid on a cowless dairy in the outskirts of the city, yesterday, resulted in the arrest of the owner and the seizure of a dozen regulation cans, the contents of which, according to members of the posse was alcoholic liquor.

"It was not cow's milk at all," said Deputy Sheriff Griffin. "It was potato milk and it packed a kick like twenty cows."

MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Very little early trading took place on the local stock exchange this morning and the important issues that did appear remained for the most part unchanged. ABIBI was steady at 54-1/2. Brazilian strengthened a half point during the first half hour to 53. Brompton went up a quarter to 23-1/2. Laurentide also went up a half point during the first half hour to 92-1/2. Breweries weakened a quarter to 51. Bidion dropped a point to 181.