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Republican Parliament Will Not Accept British Peace Proposals, Says De Valera

SAYS IRELAND IS NOT OFFERED DOMINION STATUS IN THE TERMS

Willing to Leave Question of North to External Arbitration—No Question of Secession, He Says, Because There Never Was Union—Public Sessions Finished—Recall of Troops Precautionary Measure Only.

Dublin, Aug. 17.—Eamon De Valera declared today that the Dail Eireann would not accept the terms offered by the British government extending to Ireland an offer of dominion status.

Mr. De Valera made this declaration at the second session of the Dail Eireann held in the Mansion House, to take up the question of the negotiations with Premier Lloyd George with regard to a possible Irish settlement.

"From the reports this morning in the British and foreign press," said Mr. De Valera, "there seems to be doubt as to what our attitude is towards the British proposals. There seems to be doubt as to whether what I have said or whether my letter means acceptance or rejection.

"There ought to be no doubt in anybody's mind. We cannot, and will not, on behalf of this nation, accept these terms.

PRIVATE SESSIONS TOMORROW.

Dublin, Aug. 17.—The public meeting of the Dail Eireann was adjourned this afternoon to an indefinite date. Private sessions will be held in the meantime, beginning tomorrow.

DOMINION STATUS.

"There is an Indian proverb reading: 'Took me once, shame on you; took me twice, shame on me.' The Irish people will not be fooled this time.

"It is said we are offered the status of dominion under the British dominions. Ireland is offered no such thing. The statement that Ireland was offered dominion status contained two falsehoods. Where is Ireland? There is no Ireland in the terms, but two broken pieces of Ireland.

NO SECESSION.

"What was offered was not even dominion status. It was admitted the dominions had the right to secede and could get out if they were willing to do so. There are not claiming the right to secede. There cannot be a question of secession, because there has never been union.

Question of the North.

"Northern Ireland has regarded itself from its own viewpoint and in entering negotiations they need not give up the point of view. I would like to suggest to the Irish people that they give up a good deal in order to have their land dale to look into the future without anticipating distracting internal problems.

"All the time these negotiations have meant an attempt to get into touch with the people of the north and to tell them we have no enmity and would make sacrifices for them which we would never think of making for Britain. We will be ready to give them every safeguard any reasonable person could say they were entitled to, and we are ready to leave the question of the north to external arbitration or leave the whole question to external arbitration.

"England's claim is unreasonable. The claims of the minority in Ireland are unreasonable. But even unreasonable claims we would be ready to consider, and if for some reason we were to give way to them, particularly to their sentiment, if we could get them to come with us and consider the interests of their own country and not be allying themselves with foreigners."

No Enmity to England.

Mr. De Valera said the Irish nation did not stand between Great Britain and the world and was not shutting up the sea between the two islands.

"We have no enmity to England," he declared. "At least, if this question were settled I believe there would be none. The only enmity is to that rule which the Irish people hate to the marrow of their bones."

It was said, remarked the Republican press, that the Irish question was a problem. It was a problem, he declared—a problem of a powerful, selfish person wishing to encroach upon the rights, the property and the freedom of his neighbors.

That was the fundamental problem to be settled. Human nature had to be taken into consideration, he pointed out, and they who were working for a complete and final settlement were to see to it that relations must be adjusted on the basis of right.

Therefore, in considering the problem, they who had right on their side, he said, must count.

"The Irish people won't flinch now because more arms are being sent for," he declared.

Precautionary Measures.

Belfast, Aug. 17.—All Royal Irish Constabulary leave has been cancelled, dating from today. It was announced here this afternoon.

London, Aug. 17.—The measures taken to recall British troops on leave to their units in Ireland, announced yesterday, were stated in official circles here today to be purely of a precautionary nature.

It was further claimed that the steps taken were not aggressive in nature, but that because the last thing the British government would do would be to take any step to break the Irish truce. It was declared it was realized in official quarters that the firing of the first shot on either side was likely to mean the resumption of sporadic outbreaks of fighting throughout southern Ireland.

Crowds Again Today.

Dublin, Aug. 17.—Interest in the meeting of the parliament or governing body of the Republic function, continued unabated today, many people coming in from the country to witness one of the most recent events in the country's history.

As Hiram Sees It

"I perceive," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Horriban, "that the farmers are a thorn in the flesh of the politicians who view the future with dark forebodings because of the farmers in politics."

"I see that," said Hiram. "It was all right as long as the lawyers' money-bags could run the country, but they could never make no mistakes—no they was as honest as the sun. We know that—don't we? But when a plain farmer comes along and says he owns a little slice of this country and he's got to be a part of it—well, it's fine to hear some fellers talk—but when you start diggin' around in the farmers' pockets, you find out what's been goin' on—yes, sir. Don't you worry about the farmers. He does not need thinkin' when he's got a good crop, then he ever gets credit fer. Politicians' honest has been killed and sold."

"You see, sir, it's not nobody's fool. You just put that in the paper and say I said so—By Her!"

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Weather Report.

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

Synopsis.—Areas of low pressure are centered this morning to the west of the Great Lakes and over Labrador with relatively high pressure over the plateau region and the south Atlantic.

Local showers and thunderstorms have occurred in the west and some showers are reported from the lower St. Lawrence and Gulf region.

Showers and Fog.

Maritime.—Moderate southwest winds, fair and moderately warm today. Thursday, southwest to southeast winds, mostly cloudy with some showers and local fog.

Gulf and North Shore.—Moderate to fresh southwest and west winds, a few showers, but mostly fair with higher temperature today and on Thursday. Not much change in temperature. Moderate to fresh south and southwest winds.

Toronto, Aug. 17.—Temperatures:

Highest during 8 a.m. yesterday, night.

Victoria 52 50 52

Prince Rupert 52 50 52

Edmonton 52 50 52

Calgary 52 50 52

Winnipeg 52 50 52

White River 52 50 52

Sault Ste. Marie 52 50 52

Kingston 52 50 52

Ottawa 52 50 52

Montreal 52 50 52

Quebec 52 50 52

St. John, N. B. 52 50 52

Halifax 52 50 52

St. John's, Nfld. 52 50 52

Detroit 52 50 52

New York 52 50 52

Chicago 52 50 52

St. Louis 52 50 52

San Francisco 52 50 52

London 52 50 52

Paris 52 50 52

Bombay 52 50 52

Calcutta 52 50 52

Canton 52 50 52

Hankow 52 50 52

Peking 52 50 52

Tientsin 52 50 52

Yokohama 52 50 52

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MOB TAKES BODY FROM HOSPITAL AND BURNS IT

Angusta, Me., Aug. 17.—A masked mob forced its way into the University Hospital here shortly after four o'clock this morning, secured the body of Walter Sunley, the negro who ran amuck and killed two white men and injured four others late yesterday, and carrying it beyond the city limits burned it to a crisp. The remains then were returned to the hospital.

Prohibition of Boating, Fishing and Bathing on Source of Supply — New Partner ship.

(Special to The Times.)

The Royal Gazette contains a regulation of the sub-district board of health forbidding the use of boats or other craft or fishing or bathing in Loch Lomond, Lake Lattimer, Lake Robertson, Spruce Lake, Lodge Lake, or any stream or lake tributary to the same which may be part of the source of St. John water supply.

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