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Negotiations for Conference Being Conducted.

Cabinet and Sinn Fein Heads May Meet in London -- Sensational Correspondence Published in White Book--Rothermere Condemns Battleship Building--Lord Burnham Next Governor General of Canada.

CONTACT ESTABLISHED.

DUBLIN, Jan. 8. Influences at work to establish contact between the Cabinet and Sinn Fein have at last been successful. A document is now in existence which goes up a definite possibility of a conference between the two parties. It is an unforeseen obstacle is raised such a conference will take place in London shortly.

SINN FEIN M.P.'S HAVE BEEN IN CONFERENCE.

LONDON, Jan. 8. Authorities here believe a conference has already been held of all Sinn Fein M.P.'s who were able to attend and that their attitude toward the Government was that they could not enter into negotiations in the absence of their fellow members who are under ban of the law.

CORRESPONDENCE PUBLISHED.

LONDON, Jan. 9. Correspondence which passed between the German Embassy at Washington and the Foreign Office of Berlin in which the names of a number of Irish Americans are mentioned to be the active connection between the Sinn Fein and the German Government during the war was met by the Government yesterday in the form of a white paper. After the arrival of Sir Roger Casement in Berlin in 1914 he sent messages through the Foreign Office in Berlin to the German Embassy at Washington, according to these documents, Judge Cohan, John Deyer, and others regarding his mission to Germany. This is it is declared finally led to the appointment of Sir Roger Casement as ambassador to the United States, to the Foreign Office in February, 1916 a despatch "surprising" attached to a message concerning Lantana's sayings that Deyer had formed him of a rising to begin in Ireland Easter Sunday, and asking arms be sent to Limerick Good Friday or Easter Saturday. This was followed by correspondence arranged by the assistance of the German Embassy in Berlin, in the publication of which Euno Meyer, Professor of Celtic languages at Liverpool, and Sir Roger Casement collaborated, and which were widely published in Germany and the United States. Sir Roger was in the United States at the outbreak of the war and he was in 1914 maintaining communication between Germany and the Sinn Fein.

ROTHERMERE AGAINST NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

LONDON, Jan. 9. Rothermere, former Secretary of State for air forces, in an article today in the Sunday Pictorial under the caption "folly of big battleship building" submits a startling contention directly challenges the traditional policy of the British navy. The document propounds is that it is no longer possible for any nation to possess command of the seas. Lord Rothermere wholly condemns British participation in big battleship rivalry with United States and Japan, because "they obviously are building against each other and not against us." He argues that Great Britain cannot afford to spend any money on naval construction at the present. Furthermore Lord Rothermere declares if the United States and Japan persist in pursuing antiquated forms of warfare, that is not proof that the capital ship will survive and concludes that no nation henceforth will enjoy naval supremacy. That's a nasty pill but we must swallow it Lord Rothermere says.

According to the Daily News Viscount Burnham will be offered the Governor Generalship of Canada "in recognition of his long and valuable services to the Government." Lord Burnham recently returned from a visit to the Dominion with the Imperial Press Conference party.

D.L.S. CO. REDUCE WAGES.

SYDNEY, N.S., Jan. 9. Twenty per cent. cut in wages effective January seventeenth is announced by the Dominion Iron and Steel Company here. The reduction will affect approximately five thousand men of whom about twenty hundred are temporarily laid off. Falling off in orders is given as reason for the decrease. Six collieries of the Dominion Coal Company are idle, owing to lack of shipping at piers.

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statement is based largely on reports he has sent to Venice for a large wardrobe of Italian clothes and he has requisitioned one of the largest villas in Florence.

LONDON, Jan. 8. The Times report says he will stay in Florence until he has completed the "Flume days of Flume." When his work is finished he may go home and start a newspaper, it is said.

ARMENIANS BEING DEMOBILIZED. LONDON, Jan. 8. Demobilization of the entire Armenian army is being carried out by Soviets of Erivan, according to the Times. The intention is said to be a fundamental reorganization of the Republican forces.

\$300,000 FIRE.

REGINA, Jan. 8. Fire from unknown cause completely destroyed the junction garage at Nokomis, Sas., with an estimated loss of three hundred thousand dollars. Twelve autos and a large number of accessories were lost in the blaze.

AN OFFICIAL DENIAL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9. The Navy Department Saturday afternoon issued an official denial of a report from Ottawa that the United States naval balloons, who landed in Northern Ontario and are now making their way back to the railway line, will be placed under arrest when they reach the United States for making an unauthorized trip. Free balloon flights are authorized at any time within the discretion of a commander of an air force station, it was declared, and the flight which nearly cost three United States aviators their lives was entirely within the regulations.

THE MEXICAN FINANCIAL CRISIS.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 8. Leading bankers declared here today to a correspondent of the Associated Press that "the backbone of the financial crisis has been broken."

TWO DIE FOLLOWING BLOOD TREATMENT.

TORONTO, Jan. 9. Two Toronto women after receiving special blood treatment from Dr. J. M. McConnell at his office Saturday afternoon collapsed and died within fifteen minutes of each other. The women were Mrs. Emily Bond, Sumach Street, Toronto, and Miss Monica Kenney, Palmer Avenue. Miss Kenney was the first to collapse. She had only walked a few yards from the Doctor's office when she dropped on the street. Death occurred before the arrival of McConnell who was hastily summoned. By the time McConnell returned to his office Mrs. Bond had collapsed and despite all respiratory efforts on the part of Drs. McConnell and Percy she failed to rally, dying in the office. In a statement issued by Dr. McConnell it is declared that both women had received similar blood treatments before and were showing improvement. "This treatment is made in Toronto," says the statement, "it is recommended by the medical profession as an excellent remedy and had been used many times by me." This happened so suddenly that I cannot understand it.

Delay at Brigus Junction.

Causes Annoyance to Passengers. Passengers who arrived by Sunday's express, says the Harbor Grace Standard, of 7th inst., complain of the long delay occasioned at Brigus Junction. The express arrived there at noon on Sunday, and passengers for points this side had to wait three all day to take Monday afternoon's train to their homes. Usually if the express arrives on Sunday at the Junction, the train goes from Carbonear and returns with passengers the same afternoon, but on Sunday last this was not done, much to the inconvenience of the travellers.

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Newfoundland Organist

GETS SPECIAL MENTION.

The many friends of Mr. Roy Kendall will be pleased to hear of his continued success in Sherbrooke, Quebec. A paper which has recently come to hand referring to the musical portion of a service held a little while ago, says:—

"The service in the evening was largely of a musical character. A quartette composed of Mrs. LeBaron Adams, Miss Porter, Mr. Albert Blier and Mr. Hugh Nourse gave a fine unaccompanied rendering of "Evening Hymn," Rheinberger, and Mr. Ernest Armitage's fine baritone voice was heard to great advantage in Oley Speake's setting of "Day is Dying in the West." Mr. Roy Kendall was in great form at the organ, his playing showing fine discernment as well as brilliancy of execution. Plymouth Church is fortunate in having the services of such an organist. The numbers included in his short recital were "Fantasia," Herman Berens; "Impromptu," Cotteridge Taylor, and "Evensong," Dudley Buck. Dr. Read gave a short address on "Music and the World's Peace."

Urban Stock Company

TO PRESENT "AFTER OFFICE HOURS."

"After Office Hours" will be presented at the Casino Theatre to-night and to-morrow night. The plot deals with the old, old story of the business man and his stenographer, Millie Sinclair, a young stenographer, in order to support her mother, accepts a position in the office of a man named Bentley. The young girl falls in love with him, thinking him an unmarried man. She afterwards realizes her mistake and decides in her extreme trouble to go to the wife and ask her aid. The story is not objectionable in any way. It is simply an up-to-date problem play and is one of the best dramatic performances given by the Urban Stock Company. Miss Mary Newton will be seen as the young stenographer, Fred Hargraves as the business man, Dot Karroll as the forgiving wife, and Albert Patterson as the lover of the young girl. As this will be the final week of the company, specialties will be introduced between the acts, and changed nightly. After its engagement here the company will return to Canada and the U.S.A. to fill return engagements. Don't fail to see "After Office Hours" at the Casino to-night.

Society of United Fishermen.

"BUCKLAND" LODGE INSTALLATION.

The installation of officers of Buckland Lodge, No. 75, S.U.F., took place on Tuesday evening 4th inst., at the British Hall. The following officers of the Supreme Grand Lodge, St. John's, were present and held the Installation:—Messrs. J. Curnew, Worthy Grand Master; J. C. Phillips, Past Grand Master; J. Bond, Grand Officer and C. Withycombe, Grand Secretary. Following the ceremony a repast was served by a catering committee and a very enjoyable couple of hours was spent during which various toasts were drunk, some good speeches made and songs and recitations rendered. Buckland Lodge though not a year has passed since being formed is growing and rapidly increasing its membership.—Hr. Grace Standard.

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EXPRESS PASSENGERS.

S. S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 10.10 a.m. yesterday with the following passengers who joined the incoming express: Mrs. R. G. Reid, Mrs. Higgins, J. H. and Mrs. Bruce, W. Seward, D. McIsaac, J. Crawford.

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Court Haig, I.O.F.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

A splendid number of members attended the installation of officers of Court Haig, No. 3006, Independent Order of Foresters, in their lodge room on Wednesday, January 5th. Brother W. E. Bradbury, Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger, installing the following officers for the ensuing year:

Chief Ranger—Bro. A. George, re-elected.
Past Chief Ranger—Bro. G. S. Butt.
Vice Chief Ranger—Bro. R. Russell.
Court Deputy—Bro. W. T. Bellamy, re-elected.
Court Physician—Bro. Dr. Pritchard, re-elected.
Financial Sec.—Bro. R. W. Myers, re-elected.
Treasurer—Bro. A. H. Howard, re-elected.
Rec. Secretary—Bro. R. J. Mercer.
Orator—Bro. Rev. Britnell.
Organist—Bro. W. J. Bartlett.
Senior Woodward—Bro. C. C. Butt.
Junior Woodward—Bro. S. A. Smith.
Senior Deale—Bro. N. French.
Junior Deale—Bro. W. F. Guy.

After the installation the members repaired to the movie hall, where the remainder of the evening was spent with their wives and friends. A very interesting lantern lecture was given by Brother Bradbury, showing to good advantage the benevolent work of the Order, including Sanatoria at Rainbow Lake, Ontario and Sierra Madre Mountains, near Los Angeles, California. Another group of slides demonstrated very clearly the work that is being accomplished by the organization at Oakville, Ontario. Situated near Lake Ontario and surrounded by 22 acres of orchard land, the building is thoroughly equipped with the most modern educational facilities, gymnasium and swimming pool. Under the direction of Superintendent Morgan, many good citizens are graduated from this home, many having distinguished themselves on the fields of honour during the Great War. The lecture was quite as instructive as it was interesting and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Brother Bradbury for the very able manner in which it was conducted. Dancing was then indulged in until the small hours, thus concluding a very enjoyable evening.

Bay Roberts, Jan. 6th, 1921.

Popular Organist "Chaired."

Presentation to Mr. G. B. Lloyd.

At St. Mary's Church after morning service yesterday, a very pleasant event took place in the vestry when G. B. Lloyd, Esq., the Organist and Choirmaster, was presented with a beautiful easy chair by the Choristers of the Church. In some appropriate remarks the Rev. A. B. S. Stirling, Rector, explained that the gift was intended to be not only a token of good fellowship but also a small recognition of services rendered by Mr. Lloyd, who for thirty years has occupied the position which he fills today. The chair having been presented in behalf of the choir by Mr. George Cranford, senior chorister and Master John Dave, junior chorister. Mr. Lloyd who was taken by surprise, gracefully acknowledged the gift and expressed deep appreciation of the kind thought which prompted it. He briefly reviewed his term of office and referred to the "ups and downs" inevitable to such a number of years of service. He thankfully admitted that he had been blessed with good health all through so that he had not been absent from duty a dozen times during the past thirty years. Mr. Lloyd expressed the hope that the cordial relationship at present existing between himself and the choir might continue and deepen. Mr. Geo. Cranford made a few fitting remarks as did also Mr. G. D. Pike, Churchwarden, after which the proceedings closed with the Doxology.

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The Follies in St. John's.
CABARET ON WEDNESDAY.
An entertainment which, if not altogether unique, is nevertheless, one which Newfoundlanders rarely get an opportunity of seeing, will be held in the C.C.C. Hall on Wednesday night. On this one night the ball room of the hall will represent a New York Cabaret and care is being taken to make it as realistic as possible. Tables will be arranged along the sides of the room and the central space will be used for dancing. Fifty tables are being arranged for, each table having seating accommodation for four people, and the tickets have been sold by the tables, that is one ticket for each table. A limited number of spectators' tickets have also been issued. All of these tickets have long ago been disposed of. The first part of the programme consists of an entertainment modelled on the famous New York "Follies". Many of our best known young ladies will take part in this concert, which promises to be of surpassing unusual interest. The costumes are in many cases unique and all are so varied, and multi-coloured that they will make the entertainment a most spectacular one. After the concert supper will be served, and during supper dancing will be indulged in. The music will be all new, and will be provided by the C.C.C. Band, which has been specially engaged for the occasion. The proceeds are to go to the Church of England Orphanage.

—By Bud Fisher.

