

THREE-FOURTHS OF IRISH WANT THE REPUBLIC

Settlement of Question Seems As Far Away as it Ever Was.

STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ANY PARTITION

Sinn Fein Say No Need for Negotiation as Everything Is Developing "According to Plan."

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Dublin, Aug. 19.—After a three weeks' tour in the southern parts of Ireland during which I visited the most disaffected portions of Tipperary, Waterford and Cork and talked with all sorts and conditions of people, I have the fixed conviction that three-fourths of the population of Ireland is immovably in favor of an Irish republic. Moreover, they believe that a republic is already in active operation.

The British connection with local government bodies is virtually as good as dead, and the pretence that British law backed by the power of British military and police governs the country is a sheer fiction.

It is one of the most trying conditions of the Irish troubles that the leaders of Sinn Fein will not negotiate. Their position appears to be that there is no need to negotiate since their policy is steadily developing "according to plan." Moreover, were they inclined to negotiate, they are convinced that they could not trust British statesmanship to give them a "square deal."

J. H. Thomas, labor leader, seems to think that he can bring Irish labor into the realm of discussion, and Irish labor is admittedly a very substantial arm of the Sinn Fein force.

Opposed to Partition.

Sinn Fein and all constitutional nationalists, as well as a very strong section of unionists is absolutely opposed to any partition of the country. They deny the right of a corner of the island to cut itself off. The country they say, is too small to admit of different legislatures within its confines. They say it must be all or none. That is the first fatal objection. It is a vital one and others need not be more than mentioned.

There is, of course, the religious question. Roman Catholics say that it is a reflection on them that a small minority of Protestants in the north should be permitted to break all links with the rest of the island. Catholics being predominant in an all Ireland government, Protestants would naturally be penalized and oppressed. They say there is no ground for such an aspersion of their character, and they point with more or less pride to the fact that in all the movements for the regeneration of the country, Protestants have been leaders and many of them have suffered death for the cause. From the purely economic, as distinct from the sentimental viewpoint, it is held that a division of the administration of the country would be extravagant, and that it would be a hindrance to internal trade, and would lead inevitably to inter-ethnic conflict which would be avoided by aligning the entire country on the side of helping the general uplifting of the country.

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MOUNTAIN SLIDE BURYS VILLAGE

Lives of Seventy Natives Blotted Out Under Hundreds of Feet of Earth.

Manila, Aug. 17.—Collapse of a mountain top on this island in a cent storm, buried an entire village under hundreds of feet of earth, blotting out the lives of seventy natives, according to official advice received here today. The village was located in the mountain province within 100 miles of the city of Manila.

FIRE DESTROYS SHOE FACTORY

Grand Mesa, Que., Aug. 19.—Fire today destroyed the boot and shoe factory of R. Trotter at Saint-Tite, and a number of stores and houses. The loss is estimated at \$200,000.

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Get the Habit of Calling up.

HUNGER STRIKERS DEPORTED FROM CORK, IRELAND

Cork, Ireland, Aug. 19.—Eighteen hunger strikers were deported this morning. They were removed on stretchers to heavily guarded lorries, which took them to a Government vessel. The vessel then headed to sea for an unmarked destination. The prisoners had abstained from food for seven days.

OFFICIALS GUILTY OF BREAKING LAW

Plead Guilty to Charge of Illegal Possession of Liquors.

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 19.—Dr. W. Fred Park, for many years Mayor and Magistrate of Amherstburg, and Sam Rensau, a truckman and constable of the same place, who were arrested late Tuesday night by Provincial License Inspectors on charges of violating the O. T. A., pleaded guilty before Magistrate Myers in the police court here Wednesday afternoon to charges of unlawfully having liquor in their possession, and they are now awaiting sentence which was reserved by the Magistrate, their cash bail being continued.

CANADIAN IMPORTS SHOW LARGE INCREASE

Total Value of Domestic Merchandise Export Show Decrease Over 1919.

Ottawa, Aug. 19.—(Canadian Press)—Canadian trade for the first four months of the fiscal year, ending on July 31, shows an increase in value amounting to \$166,480,404 when compared with the same period in 1919. For the four month period in the present year the total value of goods exported and imported was \$825,267,787,357. The trade statement issued from the Department of Customs shows that Canada is importing goods to a much greater extent than during 1919. The total value of goods imported into Canada from April to July, inclusive, this year, was \$472,572,589 while last year, during the same period it was only \$284,897,012. The total value of domestic merchandise exported, however, was some fifteen million dollars less than during the four months period in 1919. From April to July, inclusive, this year, Canada exported domestic merchandise to the value of \$342,112,423 and during the same period last year the Dominion exported this class of goods to the value of \$357,883,897.

RUN-OFF BLOCKS TRAFFIC ON C. N. R.

Train No. 10 from St. John Jumps Rails at Bible Hill—No One Injured.

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Aug. 19.—Traffic on the C. N. R., between Moncton and Truro, was blocked some hours today as the result of No. 10 express from St. John having a run off at Bible Hill, N. S. Five cars left the rails, doing some damage to the track and blocking the line. Fortunately no one was injured, and no great amount of damage was done to the cars. The derailment, it is reported, was due to a broken truck on one of the cars. The Ocean Limited from Halifax was delayed three hours as a result of the run-off. The Maritime tonight from Halifax was held up two hours at the wreck for track repairs.

FLOODS SWEEPING JAP ISLANDS

Towns and Villages Overwhelmed and Enormous Loss of Life Reported.

Honolulu, Aug. 19.—Tremendous floods are sweeping portions of the islands of Kyushu and Shikoku, south west of Honshu, the principal island of the Japanese group, overwhelming towns and villages with an enormous loss of life reported, according to cable advices to Nippuji, a Japanese language newspaper.

TAX EVADERS HEAVILY FINED

No Mercy Will be Shown Defaulters Under Income Tax Law.

Hamilton, Aug. 19.—That no mercy will be shown defaulters under the income tax law was further demonstrated here today when, following the recent fine of \$2,100 imposed on a well-known citizen, Dr. William A. Vanderburgh, was assessed \$1,500 for making incorrect returns. It is claimed that in 1918 the doctor's return was for \$3,406, when in reality it was \$10,000. His income last year was claimed to be \$15,000 whereas the return he made would only give the government \$10.53 instead of \$747.33, which it was entitled.

MARITIME SIDE OF RATE CASE BEFORE BOARD

Mr. McDonald, Representing These Provinces, Argued Against the McAdoo Award.

C. N. R. RAIL RATES ARE BURDENSOME

Claims Many Industries Here Will be Destroyed if 40 Per Cent. Increase is Granted.

Ottawa, Aug. 19.—(By Canadian Press).—All evidence having been put in arguments in the railway rates case will be commenced tomorrow morning. It is expected that the various counsel will get through not later than noon on Saturday, and an effort may be made to wind up the hearing on Friday morning.

Shortly before adjournment this afternoon, Chief Commissioner Carvell again stated that it would be necessary for him to leave for Nova Scotia on Saturday afternoon on business in connection with the coal situation. He said he had no desire whatever to curtail the argument, but suggested the possibility of the lawyers dividing up the time so that the case could be concluded this week. He added that if this were not possible, he would postpone his visit to the East. Mr. Wm. Tilley, K. C., expressed the view that counsel would be able to divide up the time as suggested.

Maritime Case.

The last evidence submitted, today, was put in by E. M. Macdonald, who represented more particularly Maritime Province Boards of Trade. He also submitted a memorandum on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Armstrong, of the Nova Scotia Government, who attended the opening sittings of the board.

Mr. Macdonald said that in the opinion of the people of the Maritime Provinces, railway wage increases in the United States, authorized by the McAdoo award, or by some designing politician, should not be adopted by this country without consideration being given to the difference in population and general conditions in Canada as compared with the United States.

Chief Commissioner Carvell interrupted to say that the board had received no intimation from the railways of their intention to adopt the new United States wage scale. Neither had it received any intimation from railway organizations that its adoption would be asked for.

Proceeding, Mr. Macdonald touched on the matter of the proposed increase in railway rates. The people of the Maritime Provinces, he said, are of opinion that the fixed charges of the National Railways are so great that it will be impossible to meet them without going to the public treasury, and that the present application should be dealt with from the standpoint of the facts submitted in connection with the position of the C. P. R.

Mr. Macdonald stated that forty-two years previous to the hearing of the Eastern rates case in 1914 there had been observed a system of arbitrary rates on the I. C. R. railway. This system had been departed from to such an extent as to impose a handicap on the Maritime Provinces.

The position would be made much worse if the forty per cent. increase asked for was granted. It would be so bad, as a matter of fact, that some of the oldest industries would be destroyed. Some industries, he said, would find it more profitable to ship their products to American ports and then by American railways to Central Canada.

I. C. R. Carries the Freight.

Mr. Macdonald quoted figures to show that the I. C. R. carries 85 per cent. of the passengers and over fifty per cent. of the freight handled by government-owned railways. It is unfair, therefore, he said, that the losses incurred by the operation of this system should fall upon the shoulders of the people of the Maritime Provinces. The examination of Mr. W. J. Moulton, assistant comptroller of the C. P. R. occupied practically the entire sitting to the time of Mr. Macdonald's speech.

The desire of the representatives of the Prairie Provinces, that in the event of higher rates being granted, they should not be made applicable to grain, was emphasized at the hearing this morning. The demand was grain rates wheat should not be pressed by P. J. Symington, counsel for the Government of Manitoba, in further examination by him of Mr. Moulton, C. P. R.

"Our contention is," declared Mr. Symington, "that whatever is given in rates should not apply to the called upon to pay any losses in earnings on other commodities carried by the railways."

SEEKS ADVICE OF GERMANS

Trotsky in Danzig Negotiating Strategic Question With German Officers.

London, Aug. 19.—Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik Minister of War, has arrived in Danzig secretly to negotiate political and strategic questions with German staff officers, says a despatch to the London Times from Danzig.

POLES PUSHING BOLSHEVIKI FROM CAPITAL

Now Occupy Several Towns Through Which Reds Drove in Their Sweep Towards Capital.

RUSSIANS LOST THEIR BEARINGS

Have Become Demoralized by the Many and Frequent Flank Attacks of Poles.

Warsaw, Aug. 19.—The Polish offensive is now in full swing. More than ten thousand prisoners, thirty cannon, 300 machine guns and thousands of supply carts have been captured from the Bolsheviki.

The Poles have occupied Plesk, Putusk and Wyskov, through which the Reds drove in their sweep towards the capital.

Owing to the Polish pressure from the northeast it is reported that the Bolsheviki are withdrawing their forces which reached the Vistula south of the Prussian border and to the northwest of Warsaw.

The Russians lost their bearings in trying to meet attacks on all sides from the Polish columns on their flanks.

The Poles, continuing their advance, have occupied Kaluszyn, 35 miles east of Warsaw; Siedlce, 57 miles east of the capital; Mityret, 20 miles south of the capital; Wlodziewon, on the Bug River, 125 miles southeast of Warsaw.

The Warsaw sector is rapidly being cleared of the Bolsheviki, north and south of the capital, the Reds are being shoved back by the Poles who are following them up all along the front, using artillery in such quantities as to cause great confusion among the invaders, who are now on the run.

To the east the Bolsheviki are reported to be making their way across the Bug at various points.

Delay at Conference.

London, Aug. 19.—In a statement regarding delay in the opening of the peace negotiations at Minsk, M. Tchitcherine, the Soviet Foreign Minister, says:

"Yesterday, at the first sitting of the Minsk Conference, the Russian-Ukrainian delegates insisted that the second sitting should occur today and should not be delayed until the 19th, as the Polish delegation desired. Nevertheless, through the fault of the Polish delegation today, the sitting did not occur. The Russian-Ukrainian delegates sent, through its secretary, an official protest to the Polish delegation.

The Polish delegates at the Minsk conference have refused to accept a peace condition advanced by the Soviet army unless the Russians themselves disarm, says a wireless despatch from Berlin quoting a report received from Minsk.

Face Serious Defeat.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Unless the Bolsheviki military leaders succeed in quickly organizing a more successful resistance, the defeat of the Soviet forces before Warsaw will become a "very serious one," according to a cablegram received by the State Department today from the United States Legation at Warsaw. The message was under date of yesterday.

DEATH NOT DUE TO STARVATION

Erroneous Report Given Yesterday Regarding Demise of Mrs. Babcock.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—Evidence at the inquest yesterday into the death of Mrs. Nellie Babcock was to some extent erroneous, it is learned today. Mrs. Babcock's death was due to peritonitis and not as previously stated, to starvation. It is also learned that she received from her husband the sum of \$350 since the first of July, and that he has been sending her regularly \$15 a week.

The erroneous impression was gathered from the fact that Mrs. Babcock has been lately restricted to a milk diet, and the absence of solid food gave rise to a misconception.

LIEUT. KILLED BY ARMED PARTY OF CIVILIANS

Macroom, Ireland, Aug. 19.—Lieutenant Sharmon, commanding a military patrol, was killed and four of his men were badly wounded last evening, near Ballyvourney in a pitched battle with armed civilians. The attacking party had dug trenches and felled a tree across the road where the patroling military passed. No casualties are reported among the civilians.

BIG BLOW LIKELY TO FOLLOW IN PONZI CASE

King of Spectacular Finance Says Man Prominent in Financial Circles Was With Him.

GOT OUT FROM UNDER IN CRASH

The Fellow Higher up Poses as Philanthropist and Great Benefactor of Public.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 19.—Charles Ponzi told Deputy United States marshals, who had charge of him during his absence from the jail today, because of his attendance at court, that his downfall was due to withdrawal of support by men prominent in the city's financial circles. If given his liberty under guard for sixty days, Ponzi asserted he would be able to make good dollar for dollar on every promise and prove his solvency.

"There is likely to be a big blow-up within a few days," he was quoted as saying to the deputies. "If I tell what I know about a certain man prominent in Boston, who poses as a philanthropist and public benefactor, there will be a great change of sentiment. This man promised to stand by me, and was under agreement to support me financially, but he wanted the lion's share of the profits, and because he did not get enough, he drew out."

Ponzi remarked, as an instance of continued public confidence in him, that he had received a cheque for \$5,500 for investment before he left the jail this morning, which was turned over to Sheriff Fairbairn.

Ponzi's Partner.

New York, Aug. 19.—Antonio B. Salviati, an Italian banker of Montreal, alleged by detectives from that city to be a partner of Charles Ponzi, Boston's financial wizard, was arrested here today on a warrant issued in Montreal.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—Antonio B. Salviati, arrested in New York today on behalf of the Montreal police, is wanted here for his connection with the bankruptcy of the Banco Zarossi in 1908. Salviati was a partner of Charles Ponzi, now in jail in Boston on a charge of using the mails for illegal purposes, and accused of defrauding hundreds of people, and a compatriot named Ganetti, who committed suicide in Toronto, in the management of the bank. Ponzi served a term in St. Vincent de Paul in connection with the collapse of the Banco Zarossi, but Salviati jumped his bail here.

The arrest was made by Detective Rioux, of Montreal, assisted by Detective Michael Placchette, of the New York force. The warrant upon which the arrest was made was issued by Judge Leacock, Montreal.

The warrant charged Salviati with larceny of \$44 from Francisco Charpeleggio, of Montreal, a customer of the banking firm with which he and Ponzi were said at one time to have been associated. According to detectives making the arrest, eight other warrants have been issued in Montreal for Salviati, involving sums totalling approximately \$50,000.

According to Rioux, Salviati admitted he had taken the name of Mongello Buccardi, while in New York.

The detectives said they had traced the banker from Montreal to Sydney, N. S., and Boston before finding him in New York.

THREE GIRLS LOST IN WOODS

Were Blueberrying and Lost Their Way—Found by Searching Party.

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Aug. 19.—Three young girls named Belliveau, while out picking blueberries at East Memramouc Tuesday, got lost in the woods, and it was not until they had spent a night and nearly all of next day in the woods that they were found by a searching party. The girls, apart from being hungry and weary from trying to find their way out of the woods, suffered no harm.

TOO MUCH FOR THIS BASEBALL FAN

"Babe" Ruth's 43rd Homer Causes Spectator to Have Heart Failure.

New York, Aug. 19.—When "Babe" Ruth, of the New York Americans, made his forty-third home run of the season at the Polo grounds this afternoon, the shock was too much for Theodore Strum, a fan. At the great moment, Strum suffered an attack of heart disease, and died a few minutes after being carried from the grandstand.

GETS FOUR YEARS FOR DESERTION

New York, Aug. 19.—Erwin R. Berg, of Philadelphia, found guilty of desertion from the army by evading the draft, has been sentenced to four years' hard labor at Fort Leavenworth, it was announced today at Governor's Island.

FRESH OUTBREAKS OCCURRING IN MESOPOTAMIA

London, Aug. 19.—The War Office announces fresh outbreaks in Mesopotamia on a considerable scale. The railways and telegraphs from Baghdad to Kirkuk and Kirkuk have been cut and several railway bridges burned. The statement says that the revolutionary movement, instead of being political, has now become anarchistic. The movement of reinforcements from India is proceeding.

ROUGH ROAD FOR BELL TELEPHONE CO.

Municipalities in Quebec and Ontario Joining in Protest Against Increased Rates.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—In addition to the local protests to the proposed increases in the Bell Telephone Company's rates, the principal municipalities in Quebec and Ontario will combine to wage a thoroughly organized opposition. On Wednesday next a conference will be held in this city and the form of protest will be decided upon. R. W. Gould, the secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, stated today that the manufacturers certainly intend to fight, for the more the proposed increases are analyzed the more apparent becomes the impossibility of such a system.

DISGRUNTLED THIRTY FIVE CLOSES PLANT

Walkout of Beaters in Can. Car and Foundry Company's Plant Puts 4,000 Out of Work.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—A plant of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, Limited, has been forced to close down on account of a walk-out of thirty-five heaters, and in consequence over four thousand men are out of work.

It appears from a statement made today by G. W. S. Atwood, vice-president of the company, that the strike is a violation of an agreement signed on April 1st between the workers' unions and the company covering working conditions and rates of wages for a year ahead. A particular clause of this agreement was that there should be no strike until thirty days had elapsed.

President George T. Foster, of the Trades and Labor Council, said this morning that negotiations are now on foot between the striking employees and officials of the company.

PLEADS GUILTY TO HEINOUS CRIME

Sackville Young Man Sentenced to Ten Years for Assault on 7 Year Old Girl.

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Aug. 19.—Guy Kileup, a Sackville young man tried under the Spooky Trials Act at Dorchester, yesterday, on the charge of having carnal knowledge of a girl under fourteen years of age, pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced by Judge Bennett to ten years in the Maritime Penitentiary.

As the crime the prisoner was charged with committing was a heinous one, the accused was examined by Dr. Anglin, of the Provincial Hospital, St. John, as to his mental condition. The decision of Dr. Anglin was to the effect that the prisoner was mentally responsible. The child the accused was charged with assaulting is said to have been but six or seven years old. The crime was committed about a month ago at Sackville.

TRAIN HOLD-UPS MORE NUMEROUS

Daily Occurrence in Ireland—Object is to Secure Official Mails from Postal Cars.

Dublin, Aug. 19.—The holding up and robbing of mail trains and mail motors by armed and masked gangs is continuing apace. A party boarded a public South Western train at Ferns last night, holding up the officials and taking all the official mails.

Twenty raiders held up a mail car near Kiltbritt and seized 6 bags of mail. Postal officials with mails from Buncrana, an important naval and military centre, were waylaid and the mails taken, while a number of official letters were removed from another train which had been held up near Buncrana.

FAIL TO FIND AVIATOR'S BODY

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 19.—Diligent search has so far failed to recover the body of Captain Hibbert B. Brent, the aviator, who last night fell to his death in the waters of English Bay when the airplane, in which he was making a flight crashed from a height of 1,600 feet.

FIUME'S FAITH IN D'ANNUNZIO IS UNSHAKEN

Believed to Have Backing of Present Italian Gov. ernment.

FOOD PLENTIFUL AND POPULACE HAPPY

Failure of Allies to Define Status of Port Has, However, Hurt Trade and Industry.

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Fiume, Aug. 19.—While the Rome Government is keeping silent on the question of D'Annunzio and Fiume, indications are that the post-commander is more secure today than the Giolitti cabinet than at any time during the occupation of the city. Persons who have lived in the city during many short-lived governments, and who are more interested in seeing the resumption of commerce than victory for one side or another, say the city has a more than abundant food supply, and that there is much less tension in the political atmosphere since the aged Giolitti returned to power.

The opposition of the former Nitti regime wrought a hardship on the city in the form of a food blockade and in the support it gave to D'Annunzio's enemies. But the face of the city has been changed, and only a final settlement as to its status is necessary to revive a thriving commerce, which means about 200 or 300 strips in the harbor all the time instead of the half dozen here now.

But this settlement, according to D'Annunzio, must be in one of two ways: Either Fiume must be annexed to Italy and be a free port with no commercial reservations, or Fiume must be established as a small independent state, governed by a national council under a governor or president of its choice. But the port will never submit to Jugo-Slav dominion.

The failure of the Allies to fix the status of Fiume is keeping more than 18,000 workers idle and has forced many, particularly Jugo-Slavs, Hungarians, etc., to go to other cities. There are large paraffin factories here, the Whitehead Torpedo Works, soap factories, cigar factories and leather works, all virtually idle. The large commerce of the port with the Bohemian glass factories and in manufactured products from inland cities is at a standstill. Even the banks, which are chiefly institutions left from the former Hungarian rule, are marking time and wondering if they will be supplanted by Italian arms.

The people have accepted this condition and seem content to hold out as long as D'Annunzio stays with his army. It is known the port was visited by a high Italian general last night for a conference, and other officials of the D'Annunzio government declared the city is assured of an ample supply of grain. D'Annunzio has his army, ammunition, a fleet big enough to cover the city and an aerial squadron. At this moment the city has a hydroplane and an airplane over the city bombing the populace with greetings and poems from the poet-commander. An official of the city has just told me D'Annunzio can have the planes of the best type if he wants them.

NEW CHIEF FOR BLACKFOOT TRIBE

With Flourish of Tom-Toms and Chi-ika of Braves Lord Burnham is Invested With Robes of Authority.

Gleichen, Alta., Aug. 19.—(Canadian Press).—With flourish of tom-tom and the ch-ika of enthusiastic braves, the Right Hon. Viscount Burnham and his wife were invested with the dignity of chieftain of the Blackfoot tribe of Indians this morning, and added to their list of titles those of Nah-to-Sah-Pi and Ni-Wa-Ki, respectively. Lord Burnham is now Chief Old Sun, of the Blackfoots and Lady Burnham is appropriately "Chief Lady" for that is the literal translation of the title bestowed upon them. They have added to their wardrobes two striking suits of leather and feathers.

Lord Burnham along with his conferees, numbering over a hundred, witnessed a stampee this morning in Gleichen, where a splendid exhibition of cattle roping and broncho-busting was staged for the benefit of the newspapermen.

Unjl further notice The Standard will continue to present, free of charge, a three months' subscription to any newly married couple residing in the Province of N. B.

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