

## PREMIER'S NOTE TO IRELAND IS CONCILIATORY

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### DAIL MEETS TOMORROW

Lloyd George's Communication Is Causing Gratification in Dublin.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—"Wholly conciliatory" is the view expressed both in London and Dublin of Mr. Lloyd George's latest note to Eamon de Valera, in which the prime minister invites the leaders of the Sinn Féin to a conference in London, October 11, in an endeavor to settle the Irish controversy.

Mr. Lloyd George makes as the basis of the note the offer of a conference with a view to ascertaining how the association of Ireland with the community of nations known as the British Empire may best be reconciled with Irish national aspirations.

It is understood that various members of the British cabinet are of the opinion that there is nothing in the communication to prevent the proposed conference. This certainly appears to be the belief held by the London public and press, and the comments thus far received from Dublin speak of "the extreme gratification" the communication is causing there.

Unionist opinion in Ulster, according to Belfast reports reaching London, is that the note makes it easier for Mr. de Valera to agree to another meeting. Informal discussions among the Sinn Féin leaders are said to have been held in Dublin this afternoon and this evening. This is considered as lending strength to the report that Mr. de Valera will have the draft of his reply to Mr. Lloyd George ready when the Dail Eireann "cabinet" meets tomorrow.

**ASSAULTS HUMILIATION.**  
DUBLIN, Sept. 29.—Eamon de Valera, in opening a fete at Shelbourne Park this evening, in aid of the republican prisoners' fund, said there were six thousand men under detention, representing about 15,000 dependents. These prisoners had given their all in devotion to Ireland and the nation would not forget them.

Attempts had been made at Berehaven to inflict discomfort and humiliation on the prisoners which Mr. de Valera declared, would strengthen the people's determination to support their families.

**CIVILIAN KILLED.**  
DUBLIN, Sept. 29.—A conflict between civilians and police in Tipperary last night resulted in the death of one of the civilians and wounding of two other civilians and two policemen. It was announced in an official report from Dublin today. London officers are holding an inquiry into the incident.

## PARIS THIEVES ENTER AS FUNERAL LEAVES

Wreath Is Ruse To Gain Admittance.

PARIS, Sept. 27.—Whatever else may be said about the epidemic of robbery—with and without violence—which shows no sign of abating, it certainly does not lack variety. The public is becoming almost accustomed to the abstraction of traveler's valuables on trains.

For originality in the art of thieving, a ruse adopted by two men who rifled a flat in the Avenue de St. Ouen in Paris is hard to beat. Undeterred by respect for the dead, one of the men endeavored to obtain admittance to the home of an old antiquarian five minutes after the funeral cortege of the latter had left by representing that he had been sent to disinfect the premises. The conceiver had not got the key, and told the man to return later.

### SKELETONS OF 1653 AT LAST IDENTIFIED

Four Century Old Controversy Settled by Inscription.

PARIS, Sept. 29.—After historians, scientists and numismatists struggled for nearly four centuries over the question, the French Academy of Science has decided that skeletons discovered in 1563, when laborers tore down a castle wall near Tournaï, are actually those of Childeric I, Frankish King from about A. D. 450 to 481, and his wife, Basine.

The identification was established by the discovery of a handful of gold coins with the remains. The coins bore the profile of the king and his son, Clovis, on one side and the inscription "Childeric I" and the date "477" on the other. Childeric having died four years later.

British numismatists have long contested the French theory that these remains are those of Childeric I and his queen, on the basis that ancient kings seldom used the knifed form on their seals, but the French now point out that the deviation in this case was natural and was followed by several Frankish rulers after Clovis' reign.

M. Reinach, a French savant, declares that the royal tomb not only yielded Childeric's seal ring, but also a smaller gold band, presumably the wedding ring of Basine, both of which were stolen from the museum in Tournaï more than a century ago, but the accurate measurements of which are still preserved.

## PUT IT OVER, HE'S GOING TO FAN ANYWAY!



—Chapin in the St. Louis Star.

## OBJECTS TO WAY NEW YORK IS GAS IS TAPPED BOOZE MECCA

Referee Henderson Criticizes Methods Used by Kent Farmers.

CHATHAM, Sept. 29.—The gas inquiry to consider the question of the service charge was opened before Referee Henderson in the county court house in this city this morning at 10 o'clock. At the outset Referee Henderson stated that the service charge had been instituted to cope with a summer difficulty. At the time of the decision it seemed like a solution, he stated, but since then he had thought over the matter carefully, and was now of the opinion that it was not entirely satisfactory; that was the reason he had initiated in Toronto several weeks ago that he was prepared to rehear facts surrounding this feature.

He stated that he went on a tour of inspection through the producing townships yesterday, and that he was not satisfied with the system used by farmers of "tapping the line."

Refuse Goes Into Drains.

Quite naturally, perhaps, noticed particularly the inconvenience where drainage was affected. When wells are being pumped out, for instance, the refuse has to go somewhere; it goes into the drains. The subsequent cleaning out of the drains is not a pleasant piece of work. The question might arise as to the right of the municipality to allow the use of drains for that purpose. If this practice is to continue some consideration should be given to that feature," he declared.

He also deplored the fact that evidence given at a previous hearing, particularly as to pipe lines, was not satisfactory, and was in a sense misleading. He expressed his dissatisfaction at conditions at the producing wells, which, he said, were inexcusable. He also stated that more attention should be paid in dealing quickly with leaks in gas mains.

**Consumption Grows.**

P. S. Coate, manager of the Chatham Gas Company, was the first witness called. He stated in his evidence that there are 3,700 meters in Chatham, on which a service charge is paid. The gas consumed in the city during June at a 45-cent rate was 11,500,000 cubic feet; in July at a 45-cent rate, 20,500,000 cubic feet. The amount received in service charges during these two months was \$24,000. Referee Henderson instructed Mr. Coate to furnish all information he could to expedite comparisons of costs of operation during summer and winter months. This, the witness promised to do.

Arthur Ting of Buffalo, a consulting engineer in the service of the Union Natural Gas Company, O. L. Lewis, K. C., for the City of Chatham; J. M. Pike, K. C., for Raleigh Township; R. L. Gosnell of Philadelphia, the eastern townships of the county; City Solicitor P. D. Davis, for Windsor; Mr. Cowan for Sargis. Col. R. B. Harkness of Toronto, natural gas commissioner for Ontario, was present. Mayor F. H. Brisco, president of the Chatham Gas Consumers' Association, was also present; Aldermen M. J. Mindorff, Victor Lauriston, W. M. Gray and J. W. Harrington, were interested spectators in the well of the court.

**RUPTURE EXPERT HERE**

Seeley, Famous in This Specialty, Called to London.

F. H. Seeley of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted truss expert, will personally be at the Tecumseh Hotel and will remain in London Monday and Tuesday only, October 3 and 4. Mr. Seeley says: "The Spermatic Shield will not only retain any case of rupture perfectly, but contracts the opening in 10 days on the average case. Being a vast advancement over all former methods—exemplifying instantaneous effects—immediately appreciable and withstanding any strain or position. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery, injections, medical treatment or prescriptions. Mr. Seeley has documents from the United States Governments, Washington, D. C., for inspection. He will be glad to show instruments without charge or to them if desired. Business demands prevent stopping at any other place in this section."

P. S.—Every statement in this notice has been verified before the Federal and State Courts.—F. H. Seeley.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—A survey of just how prohibition is or is not working in a number of the principle cities of the United States has just been made by a New York paper. A dozen large centres have been investigated, and the conclusion arrived at is that the country is being flooded with illicit liquor. E. C. Yellowley, assistant director of prohibition enforcement, has stated that it would cost half a billion dollars and require an army of a million men to make New York dry, which sounds rather incredible. But, according to facts and figures gleaned all over the United States by investigators, an immense trade in liquor flourishes in New York, and in some other large cities the prohibition law is violated even more flagrantly.

**Drinks 50c to 75c Each.**

The price trend of bootleg liquor seems to be downward though. It varies widely in different sections of the country. Good liquor, it is said, may be bought by the quart in New York for \$7 or \$8—some of it for much less; some for more. In Chicago bonded liquor slips over the bar for 75c a drink, and can be purchased at \$11 a gallon. Saloon prices for whiskey in Boston are 50c and 75c a drink, with bulk prices about the same as those in New York. Bonded whiskey brings \$24 a less wide-open Cleveland brings \$24 a quart, while in Cincinnati in the same state it brings but \$7. New Orleans seems to have seen the most spectacular fall of prices of the cities. There fall of prices of whiskey fell per quart in six months from \$18 to \$7.

**Deadly Wood Alcohol.**

Meanwhile one hears but little of wood alcohol concoctions which caused so many deaths in the early days of prohibition, and the quality of the liquor seems generally to be rising as the bootleggers perfect their arrangements for smuggling genuine goods across the border from Canada and Mexico and through the Atlantic seaports.

**Chicago's 3,000 Booze Bars.**

Wild Chicagoans seem to be the greatest winner in the matter of liquor law breaking. In fact, Washington has sent a special reinforcement of prohibition troops to Chicago to deal with the city. Until their arrival there a few days ago it is said 3,000 bars existed at which intoxicating liquors could be bought. Besides which bootleggers supplied private customers with large consignments. Chief of Police Fitzsimmons recently declared that Chicago was more drunken than ever, and that he thought that 50 per cent of the police force was in league with the liquor sellers.

**NAZIM BEY TURKISH HERO OF KUTAHIA**

Loses Life, But Saves Bulk of Ismet Pasha's Forces.

Constantinople, Sept. 27.—Col. Nazim Bey, with his fourth division, lost his life and saved the main body of Gen. Ismet Pasha's forces from being taken in the rear and possibly destroyed during the frontal attack made with superior forces and equipment by the Greeks in the Kutahia zone.

In recognition of his services, Gen. Ismet Pasha has written a note to the army, stating that in his entire military career, including also his knowledge of military history, he knew of no finer example of heroism and intelligent valor than that of Col. Nazim's division, remaining after standing for two days against three Greek divisions, any one of which was stated to be superior in numbers to that of Nazim's.

The Greeks had planned, in addition to the frontal attack on Kutahia, a surprise raid on the Turkish rear with three flying divisions, and the surprise attack was to have been complete.

So soon as their presence in force was discovered Col. Bey was detached from the main army to stop them, or halt their progress until the retreat from Kutahia could be effected. He did so, and during these forty-eight hours of constant fighting and retreating he was wounded by a rifle bullet, but kept on his horse, until struck by a second bullet, toward the end of the fight. He died, but with the knowledge that he had saved the main body of the army. "Kismet" (This fate) were his last words.

Col. Nazim Bey was a short, thin man of 45 years, quiet and gentlemanly in his deportment, speaking but rarely, with a large head and thoughtful, melancholy grey eyes. A soldier by profession, he served during the general war on several of the fronts, but mostly on the Russian. He would have borne the title of general as division commander under the old imperial army, but the Nationalists have suppressed that title except for officers commanding more than an army corps.

## HIGHER RATES CAUSE PHONES TO BE DROPPED

St. Thomas Citizens Feel New Rentals Are Too Costly.

### STUDYING ECONOMY

ST. THOMAS, Sept. 29.—The proposed raise in the telephone rates as they affect subscribers in St. Thomas may compel many residents for economic reasons to join in the party line service, and to suggest to others to get rid of what is regarded by them now as an expensive luxury.

The figures in St. Thomas as proposed by the company are: Business phones, \$2.57 to \$3.50 a month; two-party business lines, \$2.05 to \$2.50; four-party business lines, \$1.85 to \$2.50; private branch exchange trunk, \$2.57 to \$3.50; residence phones, \$2.05 to \$2.75; two-party residence, \$1.85 to \$2.25; four-party residence, \$1.54 to \$2.

There is no change in long-distance, rural party lines, extra equipment, etc.

### Appeal Held Over.

Because the charge laid against John E. Jones, South Yarmouth, of perjury may not come to court for a general hearing before December 1st at the appeal held over. The appeal heard by Judge Ermatinger on Saturday last with regard to the findings of Magistrate Maxwell in the recent prosecution of Jones will be held over until the Crown proceedings taken against Jones are disposed of. Jones will elect for trial when he comes before the magistrate tomorrow for his preliminary examination. The Crown officials say that they have other evidence to offer besides that of Frank Cosley, the alleged bootlegger, now doing a six months' term in the county jail.

### Street Repair Unfold.

The Queen's Hotel, Dutton, was offered for sale recently, because of a default in the payment of a mortgage, but the reserve bid was not reached, and the property was withdrawn for private disposal.

### Going To London.

A committee consisting of Chairman Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, Principal Voaden, Inspector Taylor, and Mr. G. W. Heron, will visit the London Technical College tomorrow, Friday afternoon, with a view to getting information on the cost of building and equipment and other details.

### Rev. W. Stanley Owen Called.

Rev. W. Stanley Owen, Toronto, has been the choice of a majority of the Wallaceton Presbyterian Church, and will be given a call. The call will be presented by P. G. Cameron, M.P.P.; D. C. McKellar and J. A. Cameron. Mr. Owen was at one time pastor of the church at St. Thomas.

### Pincombe-Joliffe.

The marriage of Miss Effie Mabel Joliffe and Robert Pincombe took place yesterday afternoon at the Central Methodist parsonage, Dr. G. W. Heron officiating. The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Pincombe, after returning from a trip to Toronto, will reside at 40 East street, St. Thomas.

## CITY SAVES BY DAY LABOR PLAN

St. Thomas Will Improve the Streets To Give Employment.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

ST. THOMAS, Sept. 29.—The board of works, at its September meeting this afternoon, found that where the city has been doing work by day labor in the construction of storm sewers, it has made a saving of 38 cents a foot, as compared with the price paid under the contract system.

### Work for Unemployed.

The underground work for the improvements of several streets in the city in 1922 will be started this fall and will allow for giving work to many of the unemployed in the city while the weather is propitious. The streets suggested are St. George, Mary, Hiawatha, John and Metcalfe.

Chairman Curtis recommended a private bill be passed by the Legislature giving power to the council to resurface Wellington and Manitoba streets, which had been covered with Westrumb, the cost of the improvement to be met by general tax.

The city engineer reported that about 100 yards of asphalt laid a year ago was not satisfactory, and that the company be asked to make the necessary repairs.

### Walk at Farley Place.

A deputation from Farley Place asked for the construction of a sidewalk in that urban annex. J. Roberts, who owns 165 feet of frontage on the route of the proposed walk, protested against its assessment for the cost. The committee refused to do the work until Mr. Roberts signed the petition.

The guarantee company that bonded the asphalt contractors asked for a certificate of the completion of the improvements. The engineer was instructed to issue a certificate and keep

back \$200, the probable cost of the asphalt reported to be faulty.

**Location of Gas Tanks.**  
The merchants on Talbot street west sent in a strenuous objection to George Spackman erecting a gas distributor on Talbot and East streets. A committee was named to look into the complaint and bring in a report of the gas tank conditions on Talbot street, with a recommendation that all tanks on the main thoroughfare be placed on the back streets.

## BRITISH ARMY TESTS NEW FORM FOR TANKS

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Land tests were made at Aldershot with one of a pair of experimental tanks. The tanks were about "whippet" size, but there the resemblance ceases. The machine resembles a "baby" submarine, standing high over a pair of caterpillar wheels. To all appearances the body is watertight and is entered from a hatchway at the top. Of portholes or gun slits there is no outward sign.

In the trials, which were carried out over undulating heathland, the tank developed a speed of twenty miles an hour. It lacked a good deal of the heavy motion common to the thirty-ton machine, and the body maintained a fairly horizontal position. In fact, at a distance the vehicle resembled a slow armored car rather than a tank.

This new variety of tank has under some several water tests. It can make its way easily through a considerable depth of water, and might, were the depth available, conceivably submerge and crawl under any water barrier.

It was stated in the Times recently that a sea tank made by the French Government carried its inventor and five passengers over land and water.

## CLEAN UP RIVER FRONT AT WINDSOR

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