

ANOTHER WEEK END OF FIRE AND LOOTING

Seven Business Houses, the Property of Protestants in Catholic Areas, Burned in Belfast.

TRUCE REACHED ON SO, ARMAGH BORDER

Dundalk Crowded With People from the Border Districts Seeking Safety.

Belfast, May 28.—Incendiarism again played a part in the week-end proceedings in Belfast and there was considerable looting. Seven business houses were destroyed. Four of them, principally the properties of Protestant firms in Catholic areas. These included a paper warehouse in Kent street in the heart of the city, a linen factory, a cloth factory, a cabinet factory, an oil warehouse and a paper making plant. The damage amounted to thousands of pounds. One block in Talbot street was almost completely destroyed. A bomb thrown into a house in Shantallow avenue wounded a man and his wife and baby. The Irish Republican Army counteracted the residence of Judge Cooke, of the Dundalk county court at Fahan, on Lough Swilly. Several other loyalist residences of the 11th were visited. A school master's house at Buncrana, Donegal, was burned last night by masked men who ordered the family to leave.

Truce on Louth-Armagh Border

Belfast, May 28.—Unofficial reports were received here today that a truce on the Louth-Armagh border was reached at both Newry and Dundalk this morning. The Ulster special constables acted earlier this morning, during the night at South Armagh, to summon assistance. No further casualties were reported today, but it was stated that the bodies of several men were lying in the vicinity where the fighting took place. A man named McCabe was taken to the hospital at Newry, this afternoon, suffering from a bullet wound in his head. His horse was killed under him. The man is said to be the same person who was captured a week ago by the Irish Republican army at Castle Blaney. He was charged with being a spy and sentenced to death. After conviction, and left for dead. He recovered, and later was awarded 4,000 pounds by the Castle Blaney court as a compensation for his injuries. Dundalk is crowded with people from the border districts. Some of them made a Sunday morning excursion to the town all night Saturday. Gunboats are lying at Carrlingford in Dundalk Bay.

NORMAL SCHOOL CLOSING JUNE 9

Large Number of Applications for Teachers' Examinations—Attendance Largest in Several Years.

Special to The Standard.

Frederick, N. B., May 28.—The public closing of the provincial normal school will take place on Friday, June 9. A programme for the closing exercises is in process of preparation by Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, principal of the school, and will be announced in a few days. The students, who will take examinations for the class 1 teaching license form the largest class of the kind ever turned out by the school. This class contains 125 members. Class 2 candidates will number 160, also a large number. The French class of nine members has completed its course and examinations. Upwards of three hundred were in attendance at the Normal School the second term, and for the entire year the attendance was the largest in several years and well up to the record established some years before that.

UNDESIRABLE IS TARRED AND FEATHERED

Orangeville (Ont.) Citizens Show Their Dislike for Certain Unbecoming Actions.

Orangeville, Ont., May 28.—Mrs. A. Nesbitt, from whose home Sydney Irwin was taken, Thursday night, tarred and feathered and paraded down the main street by an Orangeville crowd, has left town with the five or seven children who are under twelve years of age. Sydney Irwin has one week's grace to follow her example. He is still clanking round with Mrs. Nesbitt's twenty-year-old son. Irwin is a queer figure of medium height and very thin. He is dark, stooped, with downturned nose and feet so small that he sports ladies high heeled boots of patent leather and buttoned cloth tops. He said today that the crowd did not use him roughly and that their action was a matter for the crows.

BORDEAUX WINE CONSUMED BY FIRE

Bordeaux, France, May 28.—Fire broke out this morning on one of the piers in the harbor and spread quickly to various other structures. A high wind was blowing at the time. Thousands of barrels and hogheads of wine in one of the warehouses were destroyed. Although not under control early in the afternoon the losses were already computed at many millions francs.

LIMIT BEYOND WHICH FRANCE WILL NOT GO

France Not to Permit the Vanquished to Become More Powerful Than Victors.

CLEMENCEAU TALKS OF FUTURE POLICY

Says France is Capable of Making War to Secure its Rights.

Paris, May 28.—France does not wish to abandon her Allies, but she will not permit the vanquished to become more powerful than the victors. M. Clemenceau, France's premier, declared in an impromptu speech delivered tonight at a banquet after the unveiling of a monument at Nantes to the teachers and students who fell in the war. "We will not abandon our Allies; on the contrary, we desire to remain united with them," M. Clemenceau continued. "However, we demand a little justice in our behalf. We shall not forget the assistance which was given, nor shall we forget our duty. We ask that on their side they understand that they do not accuse us of ulterior motives." Capable of Making War

They must not sacrifice the interests of others. We want to do all that is possible to make peace, but there is a limit beyond which we will not go. We are like their people. For the moment we are friendly, but unfortunately we have not ended wars. "We seek no additions today, but neither do we desire a dishonorable peace. I prefer to see my country in an honorable position, even though that honor be very dearly bought."

Clemenceau asserted that the very people who were accusing France of a desire to begin war again had said in 1914 that France was not able to fight and win a war.

"SACRIFICE CROSS" HANDED OVER TO MONS

Ceremony Took Place in Presence of Distinguished Gathering of Diplomats.

London, May 28.—(Canadian Press Cable)—A Rector despatch from Brussels says: "In the presence of the Belgian Minister of Justice, the British and French Consuls, a representative of Canada, and many British, French and Belgian officials and local civil authorities, Major Lappon, of the Imperial War Graves Commission, on behalf of the British Government, on Saturday handed over to the town of Mons, the memorial known as the 'Sacrifice Cross' after Protestant and Catholic clergy had blessed the cross, the Belgian Minister of Justice, in a stirring speech, glorified the soldiers who came from all corners of the world to help Belgium in the Great War. Bands played the Allied anthems, and numerous wreaths were laid on the monument."

MR. COPP'S VIEWS ON PROHIBITION

Tells Boston Canada Would Go Dry If Put to Vote of People.

Boston, May 28.—Canada would go dry if prohibition were put to a vote of the people, A. B. Copp, Secretary of State in the Canadian Government, said here yesterday. Mr. Cope, who was returning from a visit to Washington, in the interests of the Dominion, left last night for his home in New Brunswick. "I believe the programme adopted by Canada of giving the provinces the right to determine whether they shall be dry or wet is the best solution of the prohibition problem," Mr. Cope said. In the provinces which have adopted prohibition, at least in New Brunswick and Ontario, it was the result of the women's vote.

HALIFAX GIRL DIES FROM INJURIES

Was Severely Burned in Fire in Her Home on Barrington Street.

Halifax, N. S., May 28.—Miss Emily Macdonald, the sixteen year old girl, who was severely burned in a fire in her home on Barrington street early on Friday morning, died of her injuries at the Victoria Hospital this morning. She is the second victim of the fire, her mother having been hospitalized.

AUTOMOBILES BURNED

Truro, N. S., May 28.—A large barn and three automobiles, on the property at Brookside, of Frank Ross, of Truro, was destroyed by fire at midnight last night.

SEVERE FIGHTING IN PROGRESS ON THE KIANGAI FRONT

The Heavily Fortified Mei Ling Pass is Said to Have Been Captured by Sun's Army.

London, May 28.—Severe fighting has been in progress on the Kiangai front, according to Hong Kong reports to the Times. Sun Yat Sen's main army is said to have captured Mei Ling Pass, which the Kiangai troops had heavily fortified. The right wing of the army has captured Suifeng and is pursuing the enemy towards Nankangshien, while the left wing has advanced on the enemy on the Huanan border and is marching towards Chungki.

WILSON DID NOT IMPOSE LEAGUE UPON NATIONS

Sir George Foster, Before Halifax Audience, Pleads for Support of League of Nations.

Halifax, N. S., May 28.—The idea that the League of Nations was arrogantly imposed upon the Allies by the will of one man has been shown to be absurd, Sir George Foster declared in an address to a large meeting here this evening.

The joker and the spiritist were being saying the usual smart things about the futility of the League, Sir George said. They insist, for example, that it was just the product of the egotism of ex-President Wilson, who thought himself born to regenerate mankind by a stroke of his sagacious pen. "They bring together for purposes of propaganda all sorts of anti-League propaganda which they have found in Republican campaign literature of two years ago. But the fact is that the League of Nations was suggested by the United States as a measure, had long been anticipated by industrial American thinkers."

Mr. Foster, speaking in New York in 1918, observed that President Wilson had grown tired-hearted to promote the League, Sir George said. But General Smuts had as much to do with passing its claims as ex-President Wilson, and Lord Robert Cecil had as effective a hand in it as either.

TWO BRITISH SOLDIERS WERE SHOT IN DUBLIN

Regarded as Having Brought About Serious Situation—Belonged to Service Corps.

Dublin, May 28.—There is no intention on the part of the Republican forces to evacuate the Four Courts Building, which was occupied some time ago, it was said yesterday at the Republican General Headquarters here. The armor and irregular army units are being withdrawn from the Kildare arsenal and from Orange Hall, in Rutland square, and these buildings will be used to house refugees. It is expected that the masonic headquarters, also recently seized, will be turned back to its owners Monday.

But the dissident faction of the army is reported to leave the Four Courts Building for some time. The accomplishment of army unity is anticipated soon, and, though this is desirable in the interest of peace, it will offer a problem in the relations with the British more serious than the character of the elections now being discussed in London, it is asserted.

Under the agreement between Michael Collins and Eamon De Valera, it is prescribed that the Minister of Defence shall represent the army. No agreement has yet been reached as to whether the United Army would be subject to the civil authority of the Dal Bhusan, but it is admitted it would not be subject to the provisional government.

Shooting of British Soldiers The shooting of two British soldiers in Dublin yesterday, is regarded as having brought about a serious situation as the men belonged to the Army Service Corps. No political motive is ascribed for the shooting, and, if it was done by any section of the Republicans, it is declared, it would be a breach of the truce of last July with General Macready, Commander of the British troops in Ireland. Regular and irregular army men are co-operating in an endeavor to bring about the arrest of the perpetrators of the deed. Rory O'Connell, one of the leaders of the irregular army, said tonight: "It was murder, pure and simple. We cannot find words strong enough to condemn it. We hope the citizens will help track the murderers if they are found they will be suitably punished."

CONFERENCE OVER IRISH PEACE AGREEMENTS

Representatives of Provisional Government in Conference With British Cabinet Members.

NO PUBLIC INTEREST TAKEN IN MEETING

Conference Taking No Chances on Any Misunderstandings, Four Stenographers Employed.

London, May 28.—A majority of those who signed the Irish peace treaty met again around the table in the Prime Minister's official residence in Downing Street, last night, to consider the present position of the Irish toward that agreement. The British representatives were Lloyd George, Austen Chamberlain, Lord Birkenhead, Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Winston Spencer Churchill and Sir Hamar Greenwood. The Irish representatives were Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins, Eamon J. Duggan, William T. Cosgrave, Diarmuid O'Keefe, Secretary of the Dal Eireann, and Hugh Kennedy, legal adviser of the Provisional Government.

Only a few curious persons gathered in the street and no public interest was displayed. The conference was held at six o'clock in the evening and lasted for an hour and a half when it was adjourned until Monday morning.

Considered June Elections

A brief official statement was issued which merely said that the business considered had to do with arrangements for the general election in South Ireland in June. After the meeting, the Irish delegates went quickly to their hotels. They informed the reporters that it had been agreed to give no information to the press. "It appeared evident that the conference was taking no chances of any misunderstanding over the proceedings, and that the conference was held in secret."

WU'S FORCES ON THEIR WAY TO LANCHOW

Leaders of Opposing Factions Expect Resumption of Hostilities Within Few Days.

Tientsin, China, May 28.—Ten thousand of General Wu Pei-fu's army of Chihli soldiers have passed Tongshang on their way to Lanchow; another 10,000 are being ordered to advance. General Chang Tso-Lin, it has been definitely established, has re-occupied Changki. Thirty thousand Chihli troops are moving on toward Tungsing, but obviously for an outflanking movement.

Nine thousand Chihli soldiers have crossed the great wall, moving in the direction of Chingchow. Their leaders confidently expect a resumption of hostilities within three or four days. The director of railways has ordered the Lanchow and Tientsin workers between Shanhsian and Lanchow to be brought into Tientsin on the next military train which will leave Tientsin tomorrow morning.

200 ARE MISSING MANY ARE INJURED

Terrible Toll from Explosion of Ammunition Factory at Bluwary, Near Vienna.

Vienna, May 28.—Two hundred persons are missing and between 100 and 200 are in the hospitals as a result of the explosion of an ammunition factory at Bluwary, near Vienna, Thursday, according to reliable reports. The official statement gives only 19 dead, but access to the scene of the disaster is denied, and details are refused. Property damage is said to amount to more than a million dollars. Information has also been received here that high explosives were being manufactured by unskilled hands for the first time and to this the disaster is attributed.

ACCEPTS CALL TO SACKVILLE CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Philip, Rosemount Avenue Methodist Church, Ottawa, Comes to New Brunswick.

Ottawa, May 28.—Rev. Dr. J. H. Philip, who has completed his term as pastor of Rosemount Avenue Methodist Church, has been invited and has accepted the pastorate of Sackville Methodist Church, New Brunswick. Dr. Philip will be succeeded at Rosemount Avenue Church by Rev. Mr. Field, of Winnipeg, to whose church Rev. L. H. Fisher, of Western Church, has accepted the call. These changes will take place about the end of June.

SAVING TO RAILWAYS OF \$48,000,000 A YEAR

Decision of U. S. Railroad Board Affects 400,000 Maintenance of Way Employees.

DISSIDENTING OPINION BY LABOR GROUP

Claim Wage Provided is Not Sufficient to Sustain Life on American Standard.

Chicago, May 28.—Readjustment of the wages of approximately 400,000 maintenance of way employees of the railways of the country, effective July 1, in accordance with decreases in the cost of living and wages in similar outside employment since the decision of the Board last July, was provided for in a decision by the United States Railroad Labor Board and made public tonight.

Reparation Crisis Hasn't Diminished

Impression Prevails in Paris That Germans Will Only Prolong Negotiations.

Paris, May 28.—The hope of a settlement of the reparations crisis, without the necessity of action by the Allies together, or by France separately, faded by the auspicious opening of the Bankers' Conference, diminished yesterday on receipt of news from Berlin indicating that, though a German Cabinet crisis has been avoided, agreement is not complete on the understanding between Finance Minister Heines and the Reparations Commission.

The optimism of the past few days is not shared in official circles here, and the impression still prevails that the Germans will do only what is necessary and prolong the negotiations. The climax will come only after the deliberations of the Reparations Commission which, in case of final default by Germany, will probably require a fortnight or so longer, until just about the time of Premier Poincare's visit to London for the Verduan commutation.

This trip was arranged some time ago without reference to politics, but it is regarded as unlikely that the French Premier will return from London without seeing Mr. Lloyd George and exchanging views on the situation. Diplomatic negotiations between the Allies, whether opened in this way or otherwise, would take several weeks so that, action, if any, probably would be deferred until some time in July.

DANIEL MACDONALD ADJUDGED INSANE

Was to Have Been Tried for Murder of His Wife With an Axe.

Sydney, N. S., May 28.—After being held in jail for nearly six months on a charge of killing his wife with an axe, Daniel D. Macdonald, of Rose Ferry, has been adjudged insane and will spend the rest of his life in an asylum, Neil A. McMillan, crown prosecutor for Victoria County announced today.

The crime of which Macdonald is accused was committed in December last. According to evidence given at the preliminary hearing Macdonald killed his wife with an axe in the kitchen of their home, while his little terrified children looked through cracks in the door of a room in which he had placed them. He then concealed the body between two stone walls under the house, where it was found by neighbors after a search, ceased when the children raised the country-side with the story of their father's action.

Macdonald's trial was to have taken place before the Supreme Court at Sackville on May 30, but the decision of the medical men makes the hearing unnecessary.

HEALTH THE CHIEF THING AFTER ALL

If Golf Interferes With Business, Then Give Up Business, Says Physician.

Philadelphia, May 28.—Health was placed paramount by Dr. Franklin P. Miller, of Toronto, in an address here yesterday before members of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Association. "If golf interferes with business, the thing to do is to give up business," he said. "No man, no matter how busy he is, should sacrifice his life for his business or profession."

WOMAN SHOT IN IRISH ARGUMENT

Glasgow, May 27.—During an argument over Irish affairs here today a woman, aged forty, was shot and killed by the man with whom she was arguing. The murderer, according to witnesses, said he would show her "what I'll do with De Valera."

AROUND THE WORLD AVIATORS IN MISHAP

Major Blake Forced to Land on Flight from Lyons to Turin.

Marseille, May 28.—Major W. T. Blake was compelled to make a forced landing at Boroly Park, just outside Marseille this evening while on a flight from Lyons to Turin, Italy, in the continuation of his attempt to fly around the world. The machine struck on rough ground, damaging the running gear and smashing the propeller. It is being towed to the Miramis aviation field for repairs, and the flight probably will be delayed for several days. Neither Major Blake nor his companions were injured.

CHARGED WITH THEFT OF CASH

Clerk in Employ of Sydney Merchant Held on Grand Larceny Count.

Sydney, N. S., May 28.—Charged by his employer with the theft of cash bonds and papers, representing approximately \$10,000, Peter Brandley, clerk in the store of Alex. Martinie, Whitney Pier, has been arrested by the city police and released on \$1,500 bail. When Martinie reached his store Friday morning he found the safe open and cash, bonds, deeds and other valuable papers missing. Brandley will get a preliminary hearing next week.