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ULSTER CALLED IN

Irish Peace Problem Now Centers on Unionists, Behind Locked Doors.

BOTH SIDES DENY DEADLOCK

Sinn Fein Proposals Subject for Special Ulster Parley.

Reinforcements Sent to Quell Outbreaks at Belfast.

London, July 16.—Leading members of the cabinet of the Ulster government arrived here today in response to a summons from Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, and immediately upon consideration the Sinn Fein proposals that had been communicated to Premier Lloyd George by Eamon de Valera, "president of the Irish republic."

What is happening behind the scenes in the consultation of the Irish parties preliminary to renewal of the conversations between Eamon de Valera and Premier Lloyd George on Monday is screened by what Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, termed this morning "a rigid silence." Sir James used the phrase in replying to the interviewers his belief that everything depended upon the way the question was handled.

What will test aid the attainment of peace in for every one concerned to withhold comment "outside of official consultations."

Say Craig is Outsider.

A statement made at de Valera's headquarters during the evening appeared to reflect the determination of the Irish republicans to meet Sir James Craig, at least for the time being. It was indicated he had forfeited his right to enter the conference by refusing to accept the terms which republicans at Dublin, who South Irish Unionists had availed themselves of the chance to talk over matters with the republicans.

Lloyd George in Busy.

Of the principals in the conference, Lloyd George is the only one who is not at his country home at Chequers court, where members of the cabinet probably will be held in conference in his study for the definite solution, while de Valera and his colleagues went this afternoon to view the exhibition here of Sir John Lavery's painting of the trial of Roger Casement and of the funeral procession in London of the late Archbishop of Cork and a portrait of Archbishop Mannix of Australia.

In No Deadlock.

There was no suggestion that the brevity of yesterday's conference between the prime minister and Mr. de Valera indicated that they had reached a deadlock, nor was the postponement of the conference until Monday looked upon as a significant danger to the future of the negotiations. In fact, there seemed last night to be a relaxation of the tension which prevailed on Thursday and Friday and the impression gained was that, while the situation in the conference is delicate, some progress had been made.

Resumption of the conference between Prime Minister Lloyd George and Eamon de Valera, Irish republican leader, was not planned for today, it having been announced their meeting would occur Monday. Discussions would have been held with their advisers during the interval, however, it was believed, have an important bearing on the future progress of the negotiations which on Thursday and continued yesterday.

It would appear that the discussion between Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. de Valera have developed the subject of a future tri-partite conference between the Irish republicans' representatives of the conference, the British government sufficiently for the prime minister to lay before Sir James Craig, premier of Ulster, definite proposals. Sir James yesterday afternoon after Mr. de Valera had left Downing street.

Killed at Belfast.

Belfast, July 16.—A battalion of Seaforth Highlanders arrived here today to assist the garrison in maintaining order during the night and a number of grocery stores were burned in the east.

It was estimated that the total deaths in the present outbreak are at least twenty-one. A conference of citizens was held during the day in an effort to compel obedience to the armistice.

During the fighting last night, Bernard Moore, a German, but medical charges against certain army officers, declaring he gave them money to fight his side, was charged with information under consideration today by the house committee, which is investigating the Bergdoll affair.

The investigation of the escape of Bergdoll will be reopened Tuesday. This decision was reached today after the investigating committee had considered charges made by Bergdoll himself, in a letter to his mother. The committee refused to discuss the names of witnesses who will be called to testify next week.

HE BOUGHT HIS FREEDOM

Bergdoll in Letter to Mother Says He Bought Army Officers.

Washington, July 16.—Grove Cleveland Bergdoll, millionaire druggist, now in Germany, but with military charges against certain army officers, declaring he gave them money to fight his side, was charged with information under consideration today by the house committee, which is investigating the Bergdoll affair.

The WEATHER NEWS

FORECAST FOR KANSAS. Partly cloudy and unsettled tonight and tomorrow. Not much change in temperature.

CLOUDY AND UNSETTLED

Light Showers May Occur in Kansas Sunday, Says Weather Man.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES: 7 o'clock.....71 10 o'clock.....80 5 o'clock.....74 11 o'clock.....87 9 o'clock.....83 12 o'clock.....88

Forecast for Next Week—Generally fair, except widely scattered thunder showers. Normal temperatures. With temperatures above normal, there is not any cooler weather in sight for the next thirty-six hours at least. The many light showers which occur in this end of the state during the next twenty-four hours. "Joy riders may go ahead Sunday," said Flora this morning, who is taking a fair chance on getting rained on.

The temperatures in Topeka for the past twenty-four hours have averaged 76.7 degrees normal. Temperatures every day but one of the past three weeks have been above normal, the single exception being on the 10th of July.

The thermometer will register between 90 and 95 degrees this afternoon. (Continued on Page Two.)

IT TOOK 600 MEN

But Jury to Try Black Sox Is Finally Completed

Defense Scores Point in Ruling by Judge Friend.

Chicago, July 15.—In accordance with a ruling by Judge Hugo Friend, presiding in the trial of the former White Sox players and alleged gamblers implicated in the 1919 world series scandal, defense attorneys will be given an opportunity tomorrow in the presence of state's attorneys to question William Burns, former St. Louis Browns manager, for the interviewers who made today.

With the jury selected to try the case picked from venues of nearly six hundred men, plans were being completed today for the formal opening of the trial Monday. Defense attorneys are expected to make motions to exclude all reference to alleged confessions and to quash the eleventh and twelfth counts in the indictment charging the accused players with conspiring to cheat and defraud Catcher Ray Schalk of \$1,788.15 difference between the winners and losers purse in the 1919 series.

BREAK IS HEAR?

Anglo-French Relations Fast Losing Cordiality.

British Resent "Secret Diplomacy" Methods From Paris.

London, July 16.—Anglo-French relations are losing their former cordiality. In fact, there is a semi-official circles today that the old entente between London and Paris is becoming strained, in an accumulation of British developments over which the British claim to have ground for grievances.

The "underground French tendency for 'secret diplomacy'" furnishes one of the principal complaints of British officials. After the London conference on the Near East, France made a secret agreement with the Turkish nationalist leader, Mustafa Kemal, while refusing to give Great Britain any information as to the object of the nation.

France withdrew her complaints from the League of Nations at Leipzig without consulting England or giving any intimation of her intentions.

France "bluffed" the supreme council regarding Upper Silesia and is refusing to take measures to restore the Silesia situation.

DISMISS CRIMINAL LIBEL SUIT

Nonpartisan League Chief Failed to Press Charge Against Paper.

Fargo, July 16.—Charges of criminal libel preferred by A. A. Liedtke, chairman of the Nonpartisan League state executive committee, connected with the Courier-News, league organ here were dismissed in an order entered last yesterday by Judge H. F. Towner, who presided at the trial.

TUSA CHIEF FACES CHARGES.

State Brings Evidence to Show He Conspired for Auto Policy Cash.

Tulsa, July 16.—Further evidence was offered today by the state on the charges of conspiracy against John A. Gustafson, chief of police, suspended and on trial in district court for removal from office.

SITE FOR HOTEL

Topeka Hotel Company Selects Seventh and Jackson.

Value of Location Given as Fifty Thousand Dollars.

ONLY ONE MET REQUIREMENTS

Bid Was Accepted by Unanimous Vote of Directors.

Proposition Carries Agreement to Buy \$180,000 in Stock.

Only one bid, of five submitted to the directors of the Topeka Hotel company Friday night, complied with the conditions which had been stated by the directors in advance. Consequently, the bid from the Seventh and Jackson street interests, was unanimously accepted by the directors and the decision of the board is to secure the lot at the northeast corner of the intersection of those streets. The site offered has a frontage of 150 feet on Seventh street and 105 feet on Jackson street.

Its proponents were the Central Trust company, the Crosby Brothers company, represented by J. R. Hurrow, president, and E. H. Crosby, secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Will Buy \$180,000 Common.

The proposition carries with it an agreement to purchase \$180,000 worth of common stock in the hotel company. The value of the site offered is given as \$50,000. Before the transaction is closed this must be approved by the trustees of the company—F. C. Beck, E. H. Lupton and E. C. Arnold.

Other bids were from the backers of the Ninth and Kansas avenue site; the Trefry Motor company, and the Kansas Hotel & Restaurant company. The backers of the Fifth street and Kansas avenue site made no bid.

A letter from W. O. Rigby, their chairman, said "owing to the absence from the city at the present time of four of our largest subscribers to the Fifth and Kansas avenue site, it will be impossible for us to make a proposition to your company at the present time."

The Kansas Hotel company, the Ninth street interests, asked for the provision requiring them to guarantee the purchase of 25 per cent as much preferred stock as they would own in one year to eighteen months in the location was not chosen, he waived. They offered the Ninth street site for \$110,000.

The good faith of the Kansas Hotel company, established when it gave over \$150,000 in cash to start a hotel in Topeka. That good faith was again shown when its stockholders subscribed \$200,000 in cash for a building campaign," said the statement from the Kansas Hotel company.

Offer Two More Sites.

In case of a deadlock, one site, or if that site offers sound unavailability for any reason, W. H. Trefry, president, pointed out that the interests of the city and Quincy streets, were available. In his letter he enumerated several advantages for that site.

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Wanted Fight Law Killed.

New Jersey Churchmen Open Headquarters to Wage Legal Battle.

Camden, N. J., July 16.—An organization of churchmen pledged to wage an intensive campaign for the repeal of the law which opened headquarters here today.

The Rev. Wilbur E. Crafts, who is superintendent of the international return bureau, attempted to have the Dempsey-Carpentier bout stopped by injunction. The campaigners plan to follow the same course that resulted in betting at race tracks in New Jersey being prohibited some years ago.

They announced that legislative candidates would be asked to pledge themselves to vote for repeal of the boxing law. All public boxing matches would be prohibited in New Jersey under Mr. Crafts' program.

ASHAMED OF RECORD

Senators Blue Pencil Own Words From Record of Bonus Bill Recommendation, Proceeding.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, July 16.—A blue-penciled congressional record appeared yesterday in its account of the personal clash yesterday in the senate over recommendation of the soldiers' bonus bill heavily censored.

Comparative peace prevailed in the senate over the recommendation of the bonus bill, which succeeded the storm which raged within and without the chamber.

Expunged from official history were most of the temperate exchanges between Senators McCumber, Republican, North Dakota, and Reed, Democrat, Missouri. The Record was silent on Mr. McCumber's invitation to settle differences "outside."

Also lost to history were Senator Reed's remarks about the "blackguards." It being understood that the stenographers' ringside report had been blue-penciled by the principals themselves in the interest of decorum.

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In reply he received a telegram telling him to assign the district attorney's office to its old rooms. This will necessitate removing the revenue collector to the civil service rooms, but literally throws the animal industry bureau out of the building. No instructions as to what should be done with the bureau were received by Rigby.

The postmaster has been known to express a desire to see the district attorney's office returned to the capitol city, and has urged the Chamber of Commerce to take the matter up more actively in view of the strong fight being put up by Kansas City to retain the offices there.

AMERICAN LEGION INTO BATTLE

Battle With New Force.

Selection of Engineer Made at Board Meeting Today.

NEW CITY PLANNER HE IS ALL WRONG

Harland Bartholomew to Take Charge of "Topeka Plan".

A move vitally important to the development of Topeka was a selection today by the city planning board of a city plan engineer to draft the "Topeka Plan," on which the work of the planning board will be founded for many years. The engineer will be Harland Bartholomew, city plan expert of St. Louis, Mo.

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CONFESSES TO MURDER

Seventeen-Year-Old Hutchinson Youth Clears Others of Crime.

Hutchinson, Kan., July 16.—Thru a confession which clears up the case, police today said that a 17-year-old boy had been absolved of all blame in the murder of John Longnecker, Beaver county, Oklahoma ranchman, and the subsequent killing of Henry Smith of Liberal.

The confession was secured from Harry K. Ellis, 17-year-old self-confessed thriver, who states he implicated Miller in the crimes to shield his younger brother, Howe Ellis, 15.

His confession is substantiated by his own story, which was part in the Longnecker murder. Howe Ellis has been arrested at Beaver City, Okla., and will be tried there.

The shooting of Longnecker, the confession reveals, was the result of a quarrel over \$20 which Harry Ellis won from Longnecker in a pool game and which Longnecker refused to pay.

BANK BANDITS SURROUNDED

Two of Three Hunted Trapped by Armed Wisconsin Farmers.

Greenbay, Wis., July 16.—Two of three desperadoes who looted the State bank of Waubesa, Wis., of \$32,000 are reported surrounded by forces of heavily armed farmers in the woods northeast of here.

After the robbery, the bandits separated. One of the desperadoes was trapped in Forest county, twelve miles south of Waubesa. Another is surrounded two miles farther away in the woods near Mountain. The whereabouts of third are not definitely known and he may have slipped thru the cordon.

MUST DELAY SILESIAN SOLUTION

Paris, July 16.—The French foreign office today sent notes to London and Rome saying that it would be impracticable for the supreme council to meet to discuss Upper Silesia, until complete order has been restored in Silesia.

"CHECK" BEER CANS FATAL ROW

Ackansas City, Kan., July 16.—John Williams, 19, is dead and Fred Collins, 55, is in the county jail here as a result of a shooting scrape last night over a jug of "check" beer in which Collins killed Williams. Both are negroes.

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ROADS FILE SUIT

Ask for Order Against Interference by State Commission.

May Put Increased Passenger Rates in Effect This Month.

P. U. C. MAY GO BEFORE I. C. C.

Santa Fe Plans to Make Up New Schedule Soon.

An Advance of 6 Per Cent in Passenger Fares.

Railroads may put the increased passenger rate schedule in effect, July 26 or 27. In the meantime, the public utilities commission is expected to look for relief from the interstate commerce commission's order thru court