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## \$50,000 LOSS WHEN FIRE DESTROYS FIVE BUILDINGS

### IRISH LEADER IS CONFIDENT TERMS WILL BE SETTLED

Expect to Facilitate a Settlement on Lines Agreeable to Both Major Parties in Ireland

### TO ESTABLISH BASIS WILL BE FIRST AIM

Sinn Fein Favor Fair Publicity on Outcome of Conference, But Matter Up To Lloyd George.

By United Press. London, July 14.—President DeValera shortly before his opening conference with Premier George today expressed extreme confidence in the outcome of the Irish peace negotiations.

"I am sure the atmosphere for peace, both in Ireland and Great Britain is extremely favorable," declared DeValera in a statement to the United Press. "All that remains is to get down to bed-rock and negotiate a just peace," he said.

The Sinn Fein delegation will enter the conference with the British ministers with every intention to facilitate a settlement on lines honorable to both major parties. This assertion was made Wednesday night at the Irish headquarters at the Grosvenor hotel.

The only new development was the decision of Premier Lloyd George and President DeValera to open their preliminary discussion at No. 10 Downing street at 4:30 Thursday afternoon. Whether the president will see the premier alone has not yet been decided.

Letters are Exchanged. Letters were exchanged between the two parties. The correspondence merely fixed the time for the meeting. It is likely, however, that Arthur Griffith will accompany DeValera in which case Sha Hamar Greenwood, the secretary for Ireland, will sit in with Lloyd George.

The first talk will be aimed at establishing a solid basis for the negotiations. The ground has already been prepared for informal talks by the spokesmen for both sides but DeValera naturally desires that the premier make an official pledge that he will work for a settlement along dominion lines. The chairmanship and the methods of procedure will also be fixed by the two leaders.

Neither side has yet agreed whether to tell the newspapers what is happening. The Sinn Feiners said they favor full publicity but that the matter is one which will be taken up with Lloyd George today.

DeValera, Griffiths and other delegates drove into the city in open limousines. They were almost unrecognized and there were no demonstrations. Scotland Yard operatives or Sinn Fein secret service men were in evidence either in or about the headquarters.

Negotiations Open. Irish peace negotiations opened promptly at 4:30 this afternoon.

### JAPAN TO COME TO CONFERENCE

By United Press. Washington, July 14.—The state department was notified today of Japan's acceptance of the invitation to President Harding's disarmament conference.

The Japanese communication, however, omitted any reference to a discussion of the problems in the Pacific, which were also included in the tentative invitation sent out last Saturday.

### FINED FOR SPEEDING

W. J. Banks paid a fine of \$5 in police court yesterday. He was charged with exceeding the speed limit.

### CANADA TO GET IMMIGRANTS NOW

By United Press. Montreal, July 14.—"To Canada the United States Immigration Restriction Act must come as a blessing," said Col. J. S. Dennis of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who is a recognized authority on immigration and colonization.

"Canada today is in much the same position that the United States was in at the beginning of the 19th century. Its great farm areas need settlers to grow food to feed its growing cities and to provide traffic for the railways.

"Now, on account of restriction in the United States, much of the immigration that was headed to the United States will be diverted to Canada—a type of immigrant that has rarely been available to it before.

"Today Canada can get the pick of Europe. There are people wishing to come to the new world who wouldn't dream of coming if Europe were in a settled state. They are the kind Canada can choose carefully and place on its empty farm lands with a maximum of confidence that they will make good."

### RETAILERS HOPE TO RAISE \$5000 FOR ASSOCIATION

"Greater Retail Merchants' Association" To Be Slogan of Fund-Raising Campaign; Committee Compiling Assessment List.

"A greater Retail Merchants' association," is the slogan of the campaign to raise \$5,000 for the support of the association during the ensuing year, according to B. C. Garvey, president of the association.

The Budget committee, C. B. Hanna, J. S. Garner and Phil C. Kidd, are making arrangements for the fund-raising campaign. Each member of the association will be assessed in accordance to the size of his store and the amount of business he has done during the past year. The association's budget probably will be completed some time this week.

Plan Free Collection Agency. Maintenance of a collection agency to serve members of the association without charge is among the plans for a "greater Retail Merchants' association," Mr. Garvey said today.

"An entirely new system is being worked out," he announced. "This system is being modeled from several successful systems.

"The collection agency will keep ratings of every resident in this city and those who fail to pay promptly will be so rated. By this means, credit abuse will be practically eliminated," Mr. Garvey continued.

Under the present system, which, according to Mr. Garvey, has not been entirely satisfactory, members are charged a fee for collection. Heads of the association believe the maintenance of a free collection agency will save money for all members. The secretary of the association will be director of the collection agency.

Offices to Be Moved. Officers of the association will be moved from 207 Chickasha avenue to the First National bank building. The exact location has not been determined. This change will be made sometime this month.

"The free collection agency is only one of the several plans of the association," President Garvey declared. "We are considering other movements that will be of material benefit to the city. These plans will be announced later."

Through a series of injections horses can be made immune to the bite of a certain species of snake which ordinarily kills almost instantly.

### MUNITION MAKERS FAVOR HARDING'S LIMITATION PLAN

Men Who Would Prosper Most by War Issued Statements Favoring Proposed Limitation of Armament

### DUPONT HAS SCRAPPED 97 PERCENT OF PLANTS

Humanitarian and Economic Standpoint are Looked at by Heads of Munition Factories.

By United Press. New York, July 14.—(Copyrighted by United Press.)—American munition makers, today, placed themselves on record as being in favor of limitation of armaments.

Men whose business interests would receive huge profits through war endorsed President Harding's proposed conference on disarmament both for a humanitarian and an economic standpoint.

Chief among those who declared themselves for armament limitations in the statements to the United Press was Irene Dupont, president of one of the largest powder manufacturers in the world. Dupont revealed the fact that this concern had scrapped and dismantled ninety-seven percent of its plants, which provided the United States and allies with powder during the war.

### Commission Takes Up Rail Hearing

Oklahoma City, Okla., July 14.—Hearing of the application of all railroads entering Oklahoma for a restraining order prohibiting the state commerce commission here to enforcing its recent order reducing intra-state freight and passenger rates, was to open before the interstate commerce commission here today. The reduced rates have been in effect since June.

The state corporation contends that the commerce commission has no jurisdiction over the case. At the request of the railroads the commerce commission has promised to thoroughly investigate the subject.

### PAWHUSKA ACE BEATS CHICKS

Pawhuska, Okla., July 13.—Pawhuska made it three out of four from Chickasha today in a one-sided game in which "Lefty" Allen, Pawhuska ace, was complete master of the situation.

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Batteries: Cvangros, Miller and Miner, Hayes; Allen and Nichols.

### Sheriff Takes Stand in Tulsa Police Trial

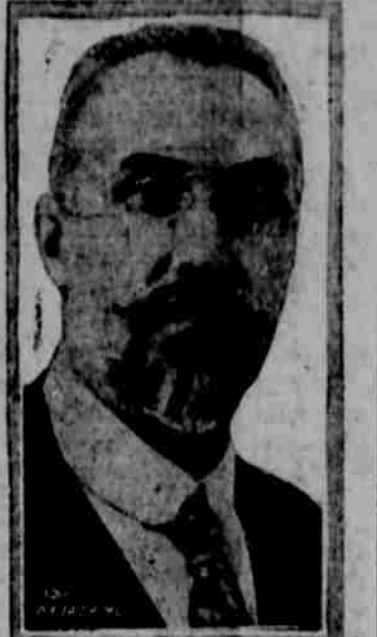
Tulsa, July 14.—Sheriff McCullough testifying in the trial of ex-Police Chief Gustafson today declared that he did not take Dick Rowland, negro, over whom the Tulsa race riot started, away from town because he was confident that no white mob could take him.

### PASTOR STACKS ICE

East St. Louis, Mo., July 14.—With the mercury registering well above ninety degrees, Rev. Francis Geyer of the First Methodist church preached here last Sunday to a cool congregation. Behind him on the pulpit twelve 100-pound cakes of ice had been placed before a large electric fan which played cool breezes over the worshippers. Artificial snow was scattered through the aisles.

superior to willow or rattan as material for baskets and many other kinds of woven furniture.

### SIGNOR BONOMI, NEW PREMIER OF ITALY



After Enrico De Nicola, president of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, had declined to form a ministry, King Victor Emmanuel intrusted S. E. Bonomi with the task of forming a cabinet to succeed the ministry of Premier Giolitti. The new premier was minister of the treasury in the Giolitti cabinet, and previously had been minister of war and minister of public works.

### RATE DECREASE ON LIVESTOCK

Interstate Commerce Commission Asked by Disque to Reduce Freight Rate on Livestock.

By United Press. Washington, July 14.—A substantial decrease in the freight rates on livestock in approximately two thirds of the United States was recommended today to the interstate commerce commission by examiner Disque of the commission.

### LITTLE BELGIUM ALSO HAS RAIL ROAD TROUBLE

Though Fares and Freight Rates Have Increased Threefold Government Loses Money Every Week

By United Press. Brussels, July 14.—Remarkable strides have been made by Belgium in the restoration of its railways.

When the Germans evacuated the country, it was found that they had destroyed 1419 bridges and tunnels, damaged 194 stations, crippled 30 electric generating stations and 226 railway stores.

Since the armistice the Belgians have rebuilt 1400 miles of railroad track and rebuilt 67 stations. Locomotives have been increased from 279 to 5171, while the freight trains running today exceed by thirty percent those of the pre-war figure.

At the armistice there were about 205 freight trucks on the road daily. At the beginning of this year the daily average had grown to 16,754 trucks. The Belgian state railways are today running a daily traffic of 1800 passenger trains and about 1950 freight trains.

Fares have gone up threefold, freight rates the same, while the railway is losing thousands of pounds every week.

Another hole parallel to the original 12 mile Simplon tunnel through the Alps is now being bored and will be ready for operation shortly.

WEATHER FORECAST For Oklahoma

- ◆ Tonight and Friday, probably fair.
- ◆ Temperatures
- ◆ Maximum 93. Minimum 73.

### BRIBERY CHARGE AGAINST JUDGE IN ATKINS CASE

Attorney General Freeing Signed Information Against District Judge Wright of Sapulpa

### FAMOUS CASE INVOLVES VALUABLE OIL LANDS

Alleged Bribe Said to Be \$10,000. First Time Such a Charge Has Been Made Against Okla. Judge.

By United Press. Sapulpa, July 14.—Judge Lucien B. Wright of the district court was arrested here last night on information charging bribery in the famous Tommy Atkins oil land case, which involves millions of dollars.

The information contains charges sworn to by Attorney General Prince Freeing who came here for that purpose.

Released on \$10,000 Bond. Judge Wright appeared before Justice Piltz and was released on a ten thousand dollar bond. He asserted his innocence and his attorneys declare that the charges have grown out of a frame up resulting from a bitter fight for rich oil land in the Cushing field.

Last May Judge Wright gave a decision in favor of Sally Atkins, who claimed to be an heir of Tommy Atkins. This decision was the reverse of that of several other courts it was announced. By this decision, Charles Page, Sand Springs millionaire, and others lost their side of the case. Their claimant was an Indian woman named Minnie Atkins.

Bribe Said to Be \$10,000. The bribe is alleged to have been \$10,000 with a promise of more. The preliminary hearing of the judge's case is set for July 27. This is said to be the first time such a charge has been made against an Oklahoma district judge.

### MEXICAN TAX ON OIL RESCINDED

Oregon Rescinds Tax on Crude Oil Following Long Conference With Committee From Mexican Congress.

By United Press. Galveston, July 14.—Oregon today rescinded the export tax on crude oil according to dispatches from Mexico City.

After a long night conference with a committee from the Mexican congress, Oregon issued a proclamation rescinding the export tax on oil that went into effect only a short time ago.

This was done, dispatches said, after Oregon had received official assurance that the United States would not impose an import tax on Mexican oil.

Harding Opposes Oil Duty. Washington, July 14.—That President Harding indicated this opposition to any duty on crude petroleum prior to the action of the House and Means committee in approving such a duty became known yesterday. It was learned that the President sent two letters to Chairman Fordney emphasizing the importance of encouraging participation of American citizens in development of oil resources abroad.

The President declared that a duty on crude petroleum would be at variance with the program for the Senate regarding the future oil supply of the country.

Notwithstanding the President's attitude, the Republican members of the Ways and Means committee, a few hours before the Fordney bill was introduced in the House, decided by a vote of 9 to 8 to impose duties on crude petroleum and fuel oil. Previously the committee had stood 10 to 7 in favor of leaving them on the free list.

### WOMEN POLITICAL LEADERS CONFER

By United Press. Scarborough, N. Y., July 14.—Prominent Republican and democratic women met here today at the home of Mrs. Frank A. Vanderlip to hold a conference on "Government Efficiency."

Mrs. Vanderlip, who is chairman of the New York State League of Women Voters, in addition to inviting Republican and Democratic county leaders and assembly and congressional district leaders of her own organization, sent invitation to presidents of all the Federal Women's Clubs in the state, president of local chapters of the W. C. T. U., members of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, Northeastern Field Committee of the Y. W. C. A. and other persons interested in promoting efficiency in government.

At the Second National Convention of the League of Women Voters it was decided to create a Department of Government Efficiency. The conference today was part of the campaign to advance this undertaking. The principal question discussed was that of equal representation for women inside the party organization.

### LADD COMPLETES OFFICIAL STAFF FOR GUARD BATT.

Corbett, Luster and Hopkins Named Lieutenants; Organization Being Completed; Federal-State Inspection Next Week.

Selection of Ray E. Corbett as first lieutenant and Tom W. Luster and Robert T. Hopkins as second lieutenants was announced today by Capt. A. Noble Ladd, commander of the local battery of the Oklahoma National Guard. Corbett is adjutant of the Raymond T. Hurst post of the American Legion.

The selection of these officers completes Captain Ladd's staff. Seventy-four men have been enlisted and only nine are necessary to complete the battery.

Organization of the battery will be officially completed after the federal and state inspection here Wednesday evening of next week. Captain Knolof, of Ft. Sill, and Adjutant-General Barrett, of Oklahoma City, will be in charge of the inspection. All members of Battery D, second regiment of heavy artillery, will be ordered to report at Armory hall not later than 7:30 o'clock, the commander announced today.

May Organize Band. Organization of a regimental band in connection with Battery A is being considered. Fifteen men have signified that they will join the band if it is organized. Forty-five would be required to complete the organization.

Captain Ladd has recommended that Rev. Wendell F. Foster, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, be commissioned first lieutenant Chaplain. If this commission is issued, Rev. Mr. Foster will be made chaplain of the local battery. Action on the recommendation is expected this month.

The battery will attend the encampment at Ft. Sill, August 5 to 20. Equipment valued at approximately \$125,000 will be brought here after the close of the encampment. This equipment will be housed in one of the buildings at the fair ground, permission to use same having been granted by the park board and Grady county free fair association.

### NO REPORT FROM R. M. A. COMMITTEE

The Retail Merchants' association's committee selected to raise 600 for the support of the Grady county band has not reported. R. L. Jones, chairman, announced this afternoon. A report is expected some time this week.

### LOSS SUFFERED BY FIVE FIRMS; ORIGIN MYSTERY

Square Deal Garage is Biggest Loser, With Fourteen Automobiles. Dean Paramore is Badly Burned

### A. S. GILKEY OF LAWTON OWNER OF BUILDINGS

Auto Wrecking Company Lose Big Shipment of Tires and Parts; Heat Breaks Many Windows Near By.

Fire of unknown origin today totally destroyed the five sheet-metal buildings located on the south side of the three hundred block on Kansas avenue. The loss, the amount of which has not yet been determined, is believed to be approximately \$50,000. Only a small amount of the contents of the buildings was saved. Practically no insurance was carried on the destroyed property.

The alarm was turned in to the fire department at 11:30 o'clock this morning and at 12:30 the flames were under control. For a time, it appeared as though the blaze would spread and only the effective fighting of the fire department and the fact that there was scarcely any wind prevented a larger loss. The intense heat cracked windows in nearby buildings and scorched the paint on automobiles parked within one hundred yards of the burning buildings.

### Five Firms Suffer Loss.

Five firms, J. P. Nail Vulcanizing company, Dean Paramore, sign painter; W. T. Anderson Auto Paint shop, Square Deal Garage and Chickasha Auto Wrecking company, suffered losses in the conflagration. A. S. Gilkey, of Lawton, brother of W. H. Gilkey, of this city, was owner of the buildings, the value of which could not be learned this afternoon. Earl Andrews and B. P. Hayes, proprietors of the auto wrecking company, estimate their loss at approximately \$10,000. This included a large shipment of tires and auto parts stored in a warehouse destroyed by fire.

The loss to the garage is believed to be almost as large, as that suffered by Messrs. Andrews and Hayes. Fourteen cars in storage in the garage, were consumed in smoke. Four other cars, two of which belonged to Mr. Andrews, and one to Ed F. Johns, are in ashes. Dean Paramore sustained injuries to his right arm while engaged in removing two automobiles from his paint shop. Mr. Paramore's loss is estimated at nearly two thousand dollars.

Lost to the contents of the auto paint shop is believed to be in the neighborhood of \$1500.

Anderson Discovers Fire. W. T. Anderson was the first man to discover the fire. He gave the

### CHAMPS RETURN GIVEN RECEPTION

The champion Chicks returned home this morning and were given a rousing reception when they alighted from the Frisco passenger train. Fully two hundred fans and the band were present to greet Drap Hayes and his first half pennant winners. Automobiles conveyed them to their rooms.

The same train brought Charley Schmidt and his Twins into the local camp. They will play a four-game series here, beginning this afternoon.

Arrangements are complete for the fried chicken dinner to be given this evening in honor of the first half champions who, with the visiting club, will be guests of honor. The final ticket-selling drive will be conducted at the ball park this afternoon. The dinner will be served in the McFarland hotel dining room, beginning at 7 o'clock.