

FAR TRIALS GIVEN REBELS IN IRELAND

System of Charge, Evidence, Trial and Sentence Marked by Deliberation.

FULL DEFENSE PERMITTED

In Event Death Penalty Is Ordered, Sentence Is Executed on Following Morning—First Volley Always Proves Fatal.

DUBLIN, May 5, via London, May 5.—Justice is being dealt out to the Sinn Feiners on the pure facts proved by incontrovertible testimony regarding their active participation in the recent rebellion. Suspicion is not enough for a court martial to condemn any man, and vengeance for the killing of soldiers or the destruction of property does not enter the minds of the military judges. There is no "draconian" death of the rebels.

The Associated Press today obtained first-hand information of the entire system of charge, evidence, trial and sentence in the cases of the men captured during the fighting or who surrendered after the collapse of the rising. As soon as a rebel falls into the hands of the authorities his identity is established and the evidence is recorded of the circumstances in which he is taken. The reports of officers and soldiers concerned in the capture are written down. The prisoner is placed in confinement. The preliminary inquiry is held, and lawyers draw up the charge.

Field Courtmartial Sits. The next process is the formation of a field general court martial, of which three are sitting to dispose of cases rapidly. Each court is composed of three superior army officers. Only one of the nine judges participates in the suppression of the rebellion, so it cannot be alleged that the officers act as judges with any personal feelings to bear arising from their personal feelings.

Before the prisoner is brought before the court the charge against him is read in full in order that the accused man may prepare to defend himself when facing the tribunal. He has no legal defender, but should he desire to call witnesses the court immediately calls them to testify in complete freedom.

The court sits in a barrack-room, unaccompanied by the wigs, gowns or ceremonial of the usual civil court. The first proceeding is the reading of the charge. Then comes testimony for the prosecution, after which the prisoner pleads in defense if he wishes, or admits his guilt.

Final Judgment Speedy. The judges then consider the facts and deliver judgment. Should sentence of a rebel be the result, it is pronounced, as has been the case in several instances, the prisoner is asked whether there are any relatives or friends he would like to see. If so, they immediately are brought to his place of confinement. He also is permitted to have the services of a chaplain, who remains with him until just before the sentence is carried out.

Meanwhile the judgment is laid before Sir John Maxwell, the commander-in-chief of Ireland, for confirmation. General Maxwell is humane, but he has a strong will combined with a judicial mind and strict sense of duty to his country. He never has failed to peruse the evidence himself before putting the final seal on a sentence, but then he decides quickly. He is inclined to leniency where the facts permit him to exercise it, as shown in the case of the rebels since the trials of the rebels began.

The confirmed judgment is promulgated by an army officer and the following morning the condemned prisoner is shot. The execution is carried out in the same way as the field court martial. The prisoner is blindfolded and placed in front of a firing squad, whose first volley is always fatal.

BLOSSOMS NOT INJURED HOOD RIVER READY FOR INVASION OF VISITORS TODAY.

Rains of Yesterday Said to Have Only Added to Comfort by Laying Dust.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—At no time in the history of Hood River, perhaps, have weather conditions so affected the moods of residents of the apple valley as today. With a strong west wind driving thin sheets of rain early this morning, the prospects for a celebration of official Blossom day tomorrow seemed far removed. As the day advanced, however, the skies cleared of the dense cloud banks, and with the appearance of the sun, the spirits of Hood River citizens brightened, and it now looks as if the showers of last night and this morning will make the tour of valley roads more pleasant, as the dust has been settled.

If the rains are of longer duration the apple crop may be affected, but growers, however, are of the opinion that no damage has been done so far. The rains that have prevailed between here and Portland may make a motor journey over the Columbia Highway difficult.

Scores of visitors have already arrived to see the blossoms. If the weather is suitable the valley roads will be lined tomorrow with automobiles.

CHARLES E. HARDIN DEAD Surveyor for Gilliam County Succumbs to Tuberculosis.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—Charles E. Hardin, 31 years old, of Astoria, Or., died May 5, of tuberculosis. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Sarah Hardin, and a brother, D. E. Hardin, of this city; two sisters, Mrs. L. Prime, of Crabtree, Or., and Mrs. H. Robertson, of Portland, and four other brothers, W. F. Hardin and A. A. Hardin, both of Goldensia, Wash.; J. O. Hardin, of Portland, and G. O. Hardin, of Toledo, Or.

Mr. Hardin was a civil engineer and at the time of his death was County Surveyor for Gilliam County, Or. He was a graduate of the University of Oregon, class of 1893, and was once employed in the City Engineer's office of Vancouver.

Wilson Names Federal Judge. WASHINGTON, May 6.—J. Warren Davis, of Tracy, United States attorney for New Jersey, was nominated by President Wilson today for the new Federal judgeship recently created by Congress for New Jersey.

TITLED IRISH PRISONER HAS HAD REMARKABLE CAREER.



SIR ROGER CASEMENT.—Photo by Underwood.

Sir Roger Casement, Irish agitator and leader of the Separatist party, who was captured from a German auxiliary which attempted to land arms in Ireland and which was sunk, has had a remarkable career. He has risen from the ranks in the British diplomatic service. He had been Consul at various times at Lorenzo Marques, in the Congo Free State; at Para, Peru, and had been Consul-General at Rio Janeiro. He was created knight in 1911. He accomplished wonderful work in suppressing atrocities in the Congo Free State and in the Putumayo district in Peru. At the risk of his life he effectually ended the brutal practice of scourging the natives employed in the rubber trade, and for this received the commendation of the civilized world. Soon after the war he returned to Ireland and declared himself in opposition to the war and was next heard from as having been received by the German Foreign Office. The British government put a price on his head and Roger accused the British Ambassador to Norway with having conspired with his valet to seize him and send him to England. This photo is one of the most recent and was taken in Berlin.

GRAIN MEN VICTIMS

J. A. Young Admits Series of Swindles Along Coast.

PORTLAND TRIBUTE \$5600

Man Under Arrest in Tacoma Says He Only Preyed on Wealthy and Did so to Provide His Two Children With Luxuries.

TACOMA, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—J. A. Young, upon his return from San Bernardino, Cal., admitted to police officials here today that he swindled P. F. Fransoli, of this city, out of \$2500 and that he took even larger sums from other Pacific Coast grain dealers, one Portland firm losing \$3900 through his game, it is said. Young defended himself by saying that he only preyed on the wealthy and never took a cent from a person who needed it.

Young confided that he had been Mayor and postmaster of a Utah town and when he met with business reverses he started out on his career of getting easy money. His boy and girl had become accustomed to luxuries, he said, and he could not bear to cut them off from the things they loved and an education. They are attending high school at present in San Diego.

The prisoner's "modus operandi" according to his alleged confession to officers, borne out by his own statements, is that he procured C. O. D. shipment on grain or hay from a prosperous and well-known farmer or rancher and then would go to the destination of the shipment and represent himself as owner, showing a forged bill of lading, according to the police. He would gain a standing through familiar use of the rancher's name and would be paid an advance or total on the shipment, then in the yard, or rolling toward its destination and would depart before protest came from the owner. A shipment from Yakima of several cars of hay last October to Tacoma resulted in the \$2500 advance from Mr. Fransoli.

Centralia Man Is Buried. CENTRALIA, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—The funeral of Orman D. Allison, resident of this city for the past ten years, was held Thursday afternoon. Mr. Allison, who was born in Vermont in 1823, had lived in Washington and Oregon for 33 years. He was married in Indiana in 1857, and he and his wife celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary here nine years ago. Mr. Allison is survived by his

RAILWAY PAY RISES

Wage Scale Largest by Far Men Ever Attained.

TRAINMEN LEAD INCREASE

Federal Bureau Statistics Show Average for All Classes of Labor in Railroad Service Is \$825 a Year.

CHICAGO, May 6.—(Special.)—Twenty-two classes of railway labor earned an average of more than \$1000 in the year ended June 30, 1915, as shown by the annual returns of United States railroads to the bureau of railway news and statistics in Chicago. The average for all employees was \$825, by a wide margin the largest ever attained. Total compensation to labor in 1915 was more than \$265,000,000 more than the sum paid in 1909, although at the end of June, 1915, there were 25,000 fewer employees on the payrolls than in 1909. The bureau's annual resume of railway labor, based on reports identical with the reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission, is the first compilation of railway labor statistics under the revised forms. "General officers, \$3000 per annum and upward," and "division officers, \$2000 per annum and upward," it is shown that the highest annual earnings in 18 classes are among the trainmen. "General officers below \$3000 per annum" average only \$1574; "division officers below \$2000 per annum," \$1569; "train dispatchers and directors," \$1523; "general foremen mechanical depart-

HIKER, 17, GIVES LECTURES

Portland Boy on Way to Los Angeles Reaches Junction City.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—Carl List, the 17-year-old boy who is walking from Portland to Los Angeles, giving lectures to obtain funds to get a business college education arrived here Friday and addressed the Woodmen of the World Lodge. Carl List is the boy from Portland who shipped on the Norwegian ship Camibus Kenneth, which carried a wheat cargo for Queenstown, Ireland, and it was sunk within four hours of its destination. He was rescued and for 11 days was on the German submarine U. 29, which has sunk 11 ships since then. He is traveling on the Pacific Highway and carries a pack weighing 35 pounds. The subject of his lecture is, "My Experience and Life Aboard a Submarine."

IS EPILEPSY CONQUERED?

New Jersey Physician Said to Have Many Cures to His Credit.

RED BANK, N. J., May 6.—Advice from every direction fully confirms previous reports that the remarkable treatment for epilepsy being administered by the consulting physician of the Kline Laboratories of this city is achieving wonderful results. Old and stubborn cases have been greatly benefited and many patients claim to have been entirely cured. Persons suffering from epilepsy should write at once to Kline Laboratories, 120 Broad St., Red Bank, N. J., for a supply of the remedy, which is being distributed gratuitously.—Adv.

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