

HOME RULE ISSUE FOR IRELAND IN DEADLOCK

London.—A settlement of the Irish home rule difficulty apparently has been little advanced by the British government's great concessions to the Ulsterites and, taking the assertions of both political parties at their face value, the deadlock remains as immovable as before Premier Asquith's conciliatory offer was made in the house of commons on March 2.

The signers of the Ulster covenant declare strongly that nothing less than the permanent exclusion of the Protestant counties of Ulster from the Irish government at Dublin, instead of the proposed six-year option, will be considered by them.

The more radical covenanters demand not only the exclusion of the four counties—Antrim, Armagh, Londonderry and Down—in which the Protestants are in the majority, but they want the entire province of Ulster excluded. On the other side, the government representatives assert that Premier Asquith's scheme is the absolute limit of concessions and is not a basis for further negotiations.

Gill Appoints Opponent Police Chief.

Seattle, Wash.—Without any formality, Hiram C. Gill, recalled as mayor in 1911, and re-elected two weeks ago by the largest majority ever received by a candidate in Seattle, walked into the mayor's office and took charge.

He appointed Austin E. Griffiths, a lawyer, former councilman, and recently a candidate for mayor in the primaries against Gill, as chief of police. Griffiths had received the endorsement of the ministerial federation in his mayoralty candidacy.

Thaw Appeals to People of State.

Concord, N. H.—Harry K. Thaw has addressed to the people of the state of New York, in whose name is being conducted the contest to return him to the Matteawan asylum for the criminal insane, an appeal to end the case against him. He calls attention to resolutions which have been introduced in the New York assembly, demanding that the prosecution be terminated.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.

Wheat—Club, 91c; bluestem, \$1.09; red Russian, 90c.
Hay—Timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$14.
Butter—Creamery, 27c.
Eggs—Ranch, 19c.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, 98c; club, 88c; red Russian 87c.
Hay—Timothy, \$17 per ton; alfalfa, \$14 per ton.
Eggs—29c.
Butter—Creamery, 29c.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Panama Canal Tolls Exemption Clause Will Be Forced to an Issue.

Washington.—Open debate on repeal of the toll exemption clause of the Panama canal act will begin late this week in the house, and a vote in that body on the Sims bill to carry out the recommendations of President Wilson is expected by Saturday night. In the senate effort will be made by administration leaders to pave the way for early action on the issue by bringing it squarely before the committee on inter-oceanic canals for consideration and report by the time the house has disposed of the subject. Opposing forces in both houses are prepared for the fight, the prospect being that the champions of toll exemption for American coastwise ships will lose when the roll calls have been taken in both houses.

Representatives Adamson and Sims, in charge of the repeal forces in the house, are doubtful only as to the size of the majority their cause will have. A poll of the senate indicates the president will win by a majority of 10 to 20 votes.

Ambassador Asked to Produce Proof.

Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to Great Britain, was made the target of inquiry in a resolution introduced by Senator Chamberlain and adopted by the senate, calling on the secretary of state to investigate alleged public assertions by the ambassador relative to the Monroe Doctrine and the Panama canal.

The resolution requests the secretary of state to procure a copy for the use of the senate of Ambassador Page's address and to call on the ambassador for evidence upon which he based the alleged statement that "it added greatly to the pleasure of the people of the United States in the building of the Panama canal to know that the British would profit most by its use."

Particular request is made in the resolution for a verbatim report of that portion of the ambassador's address in which he is reported to have defined the Monroe Doctrine as meaning merely that "the United States would prefer that no European governments would gain more land in the new world."

Settlers Protest Cash Requirement.

Western senators and representatives are receiving appeals from settlers on government irrigation projects to modify the pending irrigation bill so as to relieve settlers on new projects from the payment of 5 per cent of the water charge at the time they file entry. This bill, which is an administration measure, gives settlers 20 years instead of 10 in which to pay for water. Secretary Lane

who heartily approves the extension feature, thinks it is only fair to require 5 per cent of the total payment when the entryman goes on the land. After that payment is made the settler is exempt from further payment for five years. He then pays 5 per cent each year for the next five years and 7 per cent annually for the last ten years.

Crates May Be Mailed.

Postmaster-General Burleson has approved an amendment to the parcel post regulations, under which butter, eggs, fruits, vegetables, poultry and other articles in parcels weighing from 29 to 50 pounds may be shipped in the first and second zones in boxes and crates similar to those handled by express companies.

Bill Aims at all Hindus.

A bill to exclude Hindu laborers from the United States and providing that all Hindus shall be regarded as laborers unless it is shown that they are in fact professional men intending to pursue their professions here, was introduced by Representative Church, of California.

National Capital Brevities.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo ruled that taxes on partnership incomes are not to be collected from the source, but held the partners individually liable.

Extension of the parcel post rates to seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots and various plants have become effective as the result of an order issued by Postmaster-General Burleson.

The department of agriculture does not believe in the value of oats as having any material effect on the flavor of milk. The view of the experts differed considerably on the question of feed for the cows.

That Gustav Bauch, the American, was executed by Pancho Villa at Juarez, was declared before the house foreign affairs committee by Alferda Baca, of Albuquerque, N. M., once candidate for congress.

President Wilson extended what he termed "the hand of real helpfulness and brotherhood to Alaska" when he signed the bill authorizing the expenditure of \$35,000,000 for the first government owned railway constructed by the United States.

CHARACTER STUDIES.

Human improvement is from within outward.—Froide.

In every deed of mischief he had a heart to resolve, a head to contrive and a hand to execute.—Gibbon.

Any one must be mainly ignorant or thoughtless who is surprised at everything he sees or wonderfully conceited who expects everything to conform to his standard of propriety.—Hazlitt.

In this world a man must either be an anvil or a hammer.—Longfellow.

To judge human character rightly a man may sometimes have very small experience, provided he has a very large heart.—Bulwer-Lytton.

The man that makes a character makes foes.—Young.

BREVITY SERMONS.

Some straw, a room, water, and, in the fourth place, gentle words—these things are never to be refused in good men's houses.—From the Sanskrit.

He who is not prepared today will be less ready tomorrow.—Ovid.

What a wonderful revenue lies in thrift!—Cicero.

When vices forsake us we flatter ourselves that it is we who forsake them.—French Saying.

A BOY'S DOG.

No, stree, that dog won't bite; Not a bit of danger! What's his breed? Shore, I don't know— Jest a "boy's dog," stranger.

No St. Bernard, yet last year, Time the snow was deepest, Dragged a little shaver home Where the hill was steepest.

Ain't a bulldog, but you bet "Twouldn't do to scoff him, Fastened on a tramp one time— Couldn't pry him off him.

Not a pointer—Jest the same When it is all over, Ain't a better critter round Startin' up the plover.

Sell him? Say, there ain't his price, Not in all the nation! Jest a "boy's dog," that's his breed— Finest in creation! —McLandburgh Wilson.

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