

SALEMITES CAUGHT IN SINN FEIN RIOTS

Rev. Thomas Acheson and
Bride Home From Erin.

RAIDS ARE TERRORIZING

Problems of Ireland, as Viewed by
Methodist Minister, Are Based
Upon Sectional Cleavages.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special).—To be caught in the midst of the Sinn Fein movement, which threatens to disrupt Ireland and precipitate a breach which will require many years to heal, was the experience of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Acheson (Miss Mary Conel), who returned to Salem yesterday after passing their honeymoon in Belfast and other cities of the foreign zone. Mr. Acheson is pastor of the James Lee Methodist church of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Acheson were married here last May and left immediately thereafter for White Plains, N. Y., later sailing on the steamer Baltic for Liverpool, where they landed June 1. From there they went direct to Mr. Acheson's boyhood home in Cavan county, Ireland. All about them, according to Mr. Acheson, were the activities of the Sinn Fein, with the town in which they were visiting as one of the objectives. This particular uprising was inspired by the approval of a measure in the house of commons making it a penalty punishable by imprisonment to have arms in the household.

Sinn Feiners Start Raids.
"Following passage of the bill England sent out a call that all arms and ammunition be surrendered to the authorities," said Mr. Acheson. "Answering the call, the Sinn Feiners organized in masked groups of eight or ten, started raiding houses and shops on their own account. These raids usually were staged between the hours of 10 P. M. and 3 A. M. Although there was very little resistance, it was feared that bloodshed followed these raids, and thousands of people were killed or maimed in protecting what they believed were their constitutional rights."

At 2 o'clock one night Mr. and Mrs. Acheson, together with the former's brother and sister-in-law, formed a group to escort a neighbor to her home. They had not proceeded far, however, when they were intercepted by a Sinn Fein outpost, who demanded their halt. They complied with the demand, and as they were not in a mood to resist, no violence was offered. On that occasion they were compelled to remain in the custody of the Sinn Feiners until the district was thoroughly canvassed for arms.

Raiders Threaten Their Victims.
All persons visited on these midnight raids were threatened not to make reports, according to Mr. Acheson, and those who were loyal to the British government and disregarded these warnings later regretted their action.

In the midst of the uprising, studying its every phase and gaining first-hand information of the motives and activities of the Sinn Fein, Mr. Acheson said he was unfavorable to the movement; that it is not representative of the right-thinking people of Ireland, and apparently was inaugurated by keen political leaders, who, through careful manipulations during the period of the war, were successful in subverting the youth and manhood of the country, and who are now being used as tools for the Irish republic.

It is Mr. Acheson's conviction that if the republic was procured it would not be what the Irish desire. It would result in a soviet form of government, for every tactic used to secure it has been bolshevik in tendency. The great mass of Irish men desire to live peaceably, said Mr. Acheson, but, as the British have lost their hold on the country, they cannot expect protection from them, there is no alternative but to submit to the majority.

Home Rulers Are Conservative.
The men who represent the dominion rule, asserted Mr. Acheson, are of the better class, and include business and professional representatives. Their efforts to solve the Irish problem in a sane, conservative way, however, have met with an official statement from the Irish republic army that their efforts must be discontinued. The latter, inflexible and embittered, cannot see what England has done for their country's betterment.

Mr. Acheson believes that the present educational system is largely to blame for national conditions. Ireland has two distinct divisions in its educational system, the Protestant and Catholic, and each is suspicious of the other. England, a short time ago, he recalled, endeavored to pass a bill taking the schools out of the hands of the church and making them a national department, but opposition was too strong.

Educational System Inadequate.
"The educational system is very inadequate," declared Mr. Acheson. "Universities and higher education are looked upon with suspicion. A wide gap appears between the common school and higher institutions of learning. There are no public high schools and only the rich may have open sesame to the colleges and universities."
"Attendance in the schools is supposed to be compulsory, but it is not. In fact, there is noted no spirit of promotion; instead, it is rather to discourage. One old woman, perhaps, summed it up when she said 'The trouble with our young folks is too much education.'"

CELEBRATION IS PLANNED

Parade and Other Features at Eugene Armistice Day.

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special).—Complete details of the Armistice day celebration in this city have been arranged by the local post of the American Legion. The parade will be the big feature. It is announced that G. A. R. members, the Spanish war veterans, University of Oregon cadets, local company of national guard of Oregon, school children, the high school band, the University of Oregon band and other organizations will take part.

The annual football game between the University of Oregon freshmen and the Oregon agricultural college rooks will also be played.
The parade will start from the armory, where a number of speeches will be made by prominent men. At this time victory medals will be presented to veterans of the late war.

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by University Experts.

EUGENE, Oct. 21.—(Special).—The three men condemned for the shooting of Sheriff T. J. Taylor at Pendleton, last summer, Earl, Rathie and Owens, were given the Terman individual intelligence tests by Dr. C. A. Gregory, of the University school of education, and Miss Mozelle Hair, secretary of the extension division, while they were at the state penitentiary giving tests to 200 of the 270 prisoners. Probably the results of these tests will not be made public, said Dr. Gregory.

Of the 200 men examined, Dr. Gregory said that about 60 per cent apparently were much interested in the tests. The others were sullen and indifferent, and did not respond in such a way that the data will be useful for further studies. Although the results of the tests are not yet tabulated, Dr. Gregory says his impression of the group, as he saw them together, is that they might be divided into four classes. Twenty-five per cent of them seem average men with average intelligence and good bearing; a second 25 per cent are seemingly of average intelligence, but rather of a criminal type, the kind of men who would seem

to need watching; a third 25 per cent appear to be of a very low grade of humanity, some seemingly defective in intelligence as well as in morals; the remaining 25 per cent are sullen, morose, and passive, and are probably subnormal.

With the exception of about 70, who were out at work, the prisoners were placed at the disposal of Miss Hair and Dr. Gregory. The older men responded to the tests better than the younger ones, says Dr. Gregory. The one woman in the institution, he says, did not take the tests.

PICKETING CASE REVIVED

Portland Merchants Ask Supreme Court to Reopen Injunction.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special).—Petitions were filed in the Oregon supreme court here today asking for rehearing of the cases brought by G. Heikemper and George L. Greenfield to restrain the Central Labor council of Portland from stationing pickets in front of their respective places of business.

At the time the cases were originally heard in the supreme court the plaintiffs attacked the constitutionality of the state picketing law, with the result that the act was upheld in an opinion written by Justice Johns.

RAINS CAUSE HEAVY LOSS

Late Crop of Trout Lake Alfalfa Ruined for Ranchers.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special).—R. H. Cole, rancher of Trout Lake and Husum, Wash., here on business, said the recent continued rains has caused a heavy loss among ranchers of the Trout Lake section.

The late crop of alfalfa was ruined for many ranchers.

"We were only able to save ours," said Mr. Cole, "by rushing it to a hastily constructed silo. My brothers, who are interested with me in our ranch, and a neighbor are now feeding a carload of cattle. We feel we will be able to make more by selling at this time than by selling on the present depressed market."

Councilman Goes to Sick Daughter.

STEVENSON, Wash., Oct. 21.—(Special).—William Totten, a member of the council of the town of Stevenson, received word Wednesday calling him to the bedside of his daughter Ruth, who was operated on for acute appendicitis in Los Angeles Monday last. Mr. Totten left at once for the south ern city.



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As every business man knows, the problems of reconstruction following the war have been acute and prolonged to an entirely unexpected degree. Unusual conditions are prevalent throughout the entire manufacturing, mercantile and social world. The telephone industry has had to meet all the difficulties and handicaps of retarded production, distribution and transportation.

This advertisement is not meant to be one of apology, but one of explanation and even accomplishment. In the face of an unprecedented demand for telephone service in the last few months, hampered by the exhaustion of our reserve plant and difficulty in securing materials, we have added more telephones thus far this year in the state of Oregon and the city of Portland than in any similar period of telephone history.

In the city of Portland in the eight months ending August 31st we have added 4319 telephones. In the eight months ending July 31, 1917—before the war—we gained 997 telephones. We have purchased sites and are erecting two new exchanges, Arleta and Irvington, to care for rapidly growing sections of the city in which equipment of the most modern type will be installed.

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