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## NEW IRISH PARLEY ASKED BY BRITISH

### Cabinet Sends Reply to De Valera's Note.

## WAR POSSIBILITY IS FACED

### Only Condition Imposed Is Connection With Empire.

## STEP IMPORTANT ONE

### Decision That Northern Ireland Must Not Be Coerced Is Re- affirmed in Note.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—The British cabinet has invited Mr. De Valera to send delegates to a conference with the cabinet ministers at Inverness on September 20, according to the Daily Mail's Inverness correspondent, who added:

"Only one condition is imposed, namely, the understanding that Ireland must remain within the empire."

Early Reply Is Asked.

The communication to Mr. De Valera, according to this dispatch, asked for an early reply and pointed out the apparent uselessness of conducting negotiations by a further exchange of notes. To allay any fears regarding Ulster, the decision that northern Ireland must not be coerced was reaffirmed by the ministers.

More Notes Held Useless.

One minister said he was informed that it was the real intention of Sinn Fein leaders to obtain a plebiscite of the Irish people after a further exchange of notes and to insure such a plebiscite resulted in a mandate for a conference.

"After the conflicting interpretations placed in Ireland and England on the latest Sinn Fein note were referred to the cabinet," he said, "it was necessary to impose a time limit and ascertain beyond doubt whether the Sinn Fein was prepared to remain within the empire. If so, a permanent settlement was undoubtedly possible. If not, further negotiations were useless."

The cabinet, therefore, should make another effort to obtain an agreement on this point, with all the blessings of peace to follow."

Dublin dispatches today were devoted to explaining that Mr. De Valera's statement to the press yesterday was intended to remove the element from the minds of the British government that he was insisting on recognition of an Irish republic as a preliminary to a conference.

According to the Westminster Gazette's Dublin correspondent, the real meaning of Mr. De Valera's statement was that if the Irish delegates were allowed to enter the conference untrammelled, they were prepared to give every guarantee to the British representatives.

## PEACE OR WAR IN BALANCE

### Reply to De Valera Unanimously Approved by Ministers.

INVERNESS, Scotland, Sept. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—A decision which may mean peace or war with Ireland was taken by the cabinet at an all-important meeting today. The government's reply to Eamon de Valera, Irish republican leader, unanimously approved by the ministers, is being carried to Dublin by Robert C. Barton, the Sinn Fein courier, who brought the Daily Eireann's message to Premier Lloyd George and who was brought into the council chamber while the council was in session.

The nature of the government's decision has not been made known, but it is not necessary to await its publication tomorrow to realize an important step forward has been taken.

Directly after the ministers had reached their decision came the announcement that a committee consisting of the ministers now in Scotland has been appointed with full powers to deal with the situation the moment Mr. De Valera's answer arrives.

The committee comprises the premier, Austen Chamberlain, Earl Curzon, Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Winston Spencer Churchill, Edward Shortt, Robert Munro, Lord Birkenhead, Sir Hamar Greenwood and Sir Robert Stevenson Horne.

This is taken to mean that the gov-

## STEAMER CALLS AID; IDENTITY UNCERTAIN

### RADIO MESSAGE SAYS SAN PEDRO IS DISABLED.

### Astoria Shipping Men Doubt Tug Storm King With Log Raft Has Line on Craft.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 7.—The steamer San Pedro sent out an S. O. S. call at 2:50 o'clock this afternoon off the coast between Marshfield and Eureka on account of a broken rudder.

The call was answered by the tug Storm King, which was towing a log raft from Astoria to San Francisco.

At 3:15 o'clock, the Storm King wireless it had reached the San Pedro and had placed a line aboard.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special).—The identity of the steamer reported in distress off the southern Oregon coast is not definitely known here.

She is, however, believed to be the steam schooner San Pedro of San Francisco, the vessel that was in collision with the steamship Columbia some years ago when the latter was sunk.

One message picked up by the government radio station said the tug Storm King had taken the crippled craft in tow, but shipping men doubted this, as the tug has a Benson log raft in tow and could not well handle both.

The general belief here is that the disabled steamer will attempt to make her way toward San Francisco by rigging a jury rudder until assistance arrives. The wireless stations had received no further reports of the alleged accident up to a late hour tonight.

SAN PEDRO, Sept. 7.—Wireless messages received in San Francisco tonight from the tug Storm King said she had reached a position 248 miles from North Head, Wash., but made no mention of having gone to the assistance of or heard distress signals from the schooner San Pedro.

Shipping records here show no vessel by the name of San Pedro owned or operated on the Pacific coast.

The wireless message from the Storm King was sent from the vessel about 7 o'clock tonight and relayed here. It did not state whether the tug was north or south of North Head.

## COLUMBIA REVOLT DENIED

### Cabinet Reported to Have Tendered Resignations.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Ernesto Ponce de Leon, head of the Colombia information bureau in New York, denied today a report from Buenos Aires that a revolution had occurred in Colombia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—The Colombian cabinet resigned Sunday, according to a brief cable message received today at the state department from Hoffman Philip, American minister at Bogota.

The state department later issued a statement saying that the entire Colombian cabinet tendered their resignations September 4. "The cabinet, in taking this step," the statement said, "announced it to be their desire to assist in the establishment of harmony between the executive and the legislative body."

## QUICK RAIL AID PLANNED

### Funding of Claims May Not Await Approval by Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—The administration is considering the possibility of providing financial relief for the railroads by beginning the funding of railroad claims without awaiting congressional action, it was indicated today by government officials.

President Harding, it was explained, has the authority to fund the railroad claims without further legislation. The present officials declare they may sell the \$350,000,000 worth of car trust certificates held by the railroad administration whenever market conditions permit of their disposal at par.

## \$10,000 IN OPIUM SEIZED

### Federal Agents Battle in Brush With Alleged Drug Peddler.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 7.—Opium valued at more than \$10,000 at drug peddlers' prices, was seized, and D. Eschman, 31, was arrested by special agents of the United States treasury department after a fight in a brush field near the south city limits late Tuesday afternoon.

The officers had concealed themselves near a cache containing the opium. When Eschman appeared and started to remove a few cans of the opium, the officers closed in. A hand-to-hand struggle followed. Eschman broke away, but was stopped by shots fired by one of the revenue agents.

## 4547 DIAMONDS SEIZED

### Operations of International Smug- glers Believed Revealed.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—An international plot to smuggle valuable stones into the United States was believed tonight by customs officials to have been uncovered with the seizure Sunday of two packages of diamonds valued at more than \$100,000.

The stones were taken from a purser's clerk giving the name of Ernest Potvin, as he was leaving the steamship Zealand, from Antwerp. The package contained 4547 cut diamonds. The clerk, believed by authorities to be an innocent messenger, is being held as a material witness.

## MONROE DOCTRINE GENEVA PROBLEM

### American Questions Be- fore League Assembly.

## BOLIVIA'S DEMAND DEBATED

### Tacna-Arica Affair Subject of Live Discussion.

## CHILE REFUSES TO BUDGE

### Committees of Assembly Begin Work—Argentina's Proposed Amendment Rejected.

GENEVA, Sept. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—The Monroe doctrine and the competency of the league of nations to deal with American questions and cases where one party to a treaty asks intervention to secure revision of the treaty were principal subjects of discussion in and out of the assembly today. The discussions were provoked by Bolivia's demand that the assembly put on the agenda the proposed revision of the Tacna-Arica treaty of 1904 between Chile and Bolivia.

The debate began at the morning session. A canvass of the principal delegations showed a large majority against establishing a precedent that the league may interfere to revise treaties, particularly treaties of peace.

There also is a strong feeling that it is dangerous for the prestige of the league not to be able to consider questions such as that raised by Bolivia, in which there are features that in the opinion of some of the delegates would seem to justify arbitration. Besides, most delegates are disinclined to welcome at this time a debate in which the Monroe doctrine is invoked in a manner which virtually calls for an interpretation of the league's competency in matters supposed to be covered by that doctrine.

Chile Refuses to Budge.

Augustin Edwards, representing Chile, argued that the Tacna-Arica affair was purely an American concern, that the Monroe doctrine applied to no sense to European states, and that the league of nations could not interfere.

Senor Aramayo, for Bolivia, informed the Associated Press that the chancery of the United States had been consulted regarding Bolivia's application to the league before it was submitted and had decided that mediation by the league was not incompatible with the Monroe doctrine.

A. J. Balfour of Great Britain, Lord Robert Cecil of South Africa, and President Van Karnebeek failed to keep the debate off the floor; they succeeded only in securing the consent of the Bolivian and Chilean delegations to let the matter rest after (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

## SUFFRAGISTS SCRIP STATUES OF LIBERTY

### VOLUNTEER BRIGADE ATTACKS DIRT AND DIRT MANTLES.

### National Woman's Party to Ask for Cleaner Place for Monuments Than Capitol Basement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—A volunteer scrubwomen's brigade was formed today by members of the national woman's party and a scrubbing given to the marble statues of Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott, woman suffrage pioneers.

"Dirt and dust of months was removed from the faces of our pathfinders," said Mrs. C. L. Robey of Virginia, who headed the squad which was recruited hastily at the "Watch Tower," the suffrage headquarters opposite the capitol.

The women said a campaign would be begun to give the statues a more permanent and cleaner position than the capitol basement.

## BOY CRUSHED TO DEATH

### Wagon Caught Between Lumber Wagon and Loading Platform.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special).—Elmer Patterson, 8-year-old son of Mrs. M. L. Patterson, was instantly killed at the Pelican Lumber company's plant last evening when he was caught between a lumber wagon and loading platform. Elmer and four other children had been warned by George Isham, driver, to cease playing on the wagon. He thought they had obeyed, he said, and gave all his attention to backing the wagon into the platform.

Elmer, trying to climb into the rear of the wagon, slipped and his head was crushed against the platform. Mrs. Patterson and children came here from Coquille, Or., three weeks ago to visit her brother.

## TAR PARTY VICTIM WINS

### Court Holds Man Feathered by Mob May Get Damages.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 7.—The United States circuit court of appeals, in a decision filed in federal court today, held that John Meints, a contractor of Laverne, Minn., was entitled to recover damages from a number of neighbors who, in August, 1918, tarred and feathered him and drove him into South Dakota because of charges that he was disloyal.

In the Minnesota federal district court a damage suit by Meints against several neighbors resulted in their favor. The present decision reverses that finding and remands the case for a new trial.

## PLANE HITS GREENHOUSE

### Student Aviator Injured by Fall and Machine Wrecked.

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 7.—Robert Villa, student aviator, fell 100 feet today and with his plane crashed through the roof of a greenhouse. He was only slightly injured, but the plane and greenhouse were wrecked. The airplane was one belonging to the Durant aircraft corporation. The Durant company said Villa had taken the machine for a trial spin without permission.

## 400 TRUCK DRIVERS ARRESTED IN ONE DAY

### RUSH TO BUY MIRRORS MADE TO COMPLY WITH LAW.

### Dealers in Auto Accessories Plead With Traffic Police to Ease Up Until Stocks Replenished.

Dealers in automobile accessories were telephoning wildly to police headquarters yesterday afternoon begging Traffic Lieutenant Ervin and his motorcycle patrolmen to ease up on their arrests of auto truck drivers for violating the state law which compels the use of a mirror on every motor vehicle on the highway.

As a result of a surprise campaign mapped out by Lieutenant Ervin and carried into effect during the day, nearly 400 drivers of automobile trucks were arrested for failing to provide their trucks with the looking glasses.

As soon as the men were arrested and ordered to appear in police court, they were advised to hurry to accessory dealers and provide their trucks with the mirrors as required by the state law.

By mid-afternoon every auto mirror in the city had been sold and truck drivers were pleading for more. Accessory dealers couldn't supply the demand, and wanted the traffic bureau to ease up its campaign until they could stock up with enough mirrors to go around.

As a result of the surprise campaign mapped out by Lieutenant Ervin and carried into effect during the day, nearly 400 drivers of automobile trucks were arrested for failing to provide their trucks with the looking glasses.

The auto truck drivers will face prosecution in police court today.

## ALLIES WILL BE ADVISED

### Washington to Present Details of Treaty With Germany.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—The American government has taken steps to advise the allied powers fully, although formally, as the negotiations in Berlin which culminated in the drafting of the peace treaty between the United States and Germany.

While officials declined today to reveal the nature of the American communications to the allied governments, the expectation was expressed that they would bring from each power a statement of its views and an approval of the treaty.

Emphasis was laid on the informal nature of the communications, which were transmitted as a matter of international courtesy.

## PERMANENT LAW ON WAY

### Legislation Supplanting Temporary Immigration Bill Forecast.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—Permanent immigration legislation will be considered by the house immigration committee immediately after the present recess, Chairman Johnson announced today. He predicted the law which will supplant the emergency act next June would provide for selection of immigrants by American consular agents abroad, continuation of the percentage restrictions by nations and provision for voluntary registration of immigrants as they arrive and of aliens already in the United States.

Mr. Johnson has introduced a bill which is expected to be the basis of committee discussion.

## BRUMFIELD GOES TO TRIAL OCT. 5

### Judge Overrules Motion for Change of Venue.

## 24 TALESMEN SUMMONED

### Additional Panel Is Expected to Be Necessary.

## 'NECKTIE PARTY' PROMISE

### Threatening Letter Turned Over to Sheriff by Defense—Public Warned Not to Talk.

BY W. A. PETTIT.

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special).—Dr. Richard M. Brumfield, former Roseburg dentist and leader in local fraternal and social affairs, will go on trial in the circuit court here Wednesday, October 5, on a charge of first degree murder in connection with the brutal slaying of Dennis Russell on the night of July 13.

This was the announcement made by Judge Bingham, after he had overruled a motion for a change of venue presented by the attorneys for the defendant.

In passing on the motion for a change of venue Judge Bingham said there had been no showing by the defense attorneys that any overt act indicating prejudice against the accused dentist had been made in Douglas county. He then quoted from the supreme court opinion of Justice Burnett in the case of the state against Cassidy.

This case originated in Grant county and a change of venue was sought on the grounds of prejudice and bias similar to that alleged by the attorneys for Brumfield. The motion was denied by the trial court and after Cassidy's conviction appeal was taken to the supreme court.

In his opinion in the Cassidy case, which was made a part of Judge Bingham's ruling in the Brumfield preliminary, Justice Burnett held that the affidavits submitted by the defendant's attorneys amounted to no more than the mere opinion of the affiant as to the state of public feeling.

In the Cassidy case it was shown by the defense attorneys that the citizens of Grant county had participated in the employment of a special prosecutor, that press accounts purported to tell the story of the crime and that there was considerable feeling against the defendant.

The press accounts were mere statements as matters of news of the testimony given at the trial, Justice Burnett said in his opinion quoted by Judge Bingham. "The showing, in substance, was equivalent to the statement that, possibly, the public may have formed a general opinion of the guilt or innocence of the defendant from what it had heard or read. The situation as to the material available for jurors is analogous to what is contemplated in the Oregon laws to the effect that the coroner's inquest or hear from any person who did, a detailed statement of the evidence."

"Also that there are many men in Douglas county who have no personal knowledge of the facts involved, and who could lay aside their estimate of the case and try it fairly and impartially. Further, that there are many men in the county who would not allow their previous conceptions to influence them if taken as jurors, and whose previous opinions could and would be disregarded in making up a verdict."

"I have been an occasional visitor in Douglas county for many years and am of the opinion that the people here are of much the same type as those found in other sections of Oregon. In most instances the court officials and attorneys in the case are members of pioneer Douglas county families and are held in high esteem by the public. The people of Douglas county have a low percentage of foreign population, and apparently believe in the great American principle of fair dealing in Douglas county, the records show there has been no mob violence, while in some other counties acts of this nature have been recorded in the annals of our criminal history."

Many Talesmen Must Be Called.

"It is true that it may require the questioning of many talesmen before a jury finally is accepted. This, however, under the law, is not grounds for a change of venue. Many statements have been made that should have been unsaid, while stories have been printed that should have been omitted. In every county you will find persons of radical tendencies, but the statements and publications of these people do not reflect the true sentiment of the community."

Under the showing made by the (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

## MINERS OF ILLINOIS THREATEN 2 CITIES

### DEPUTY SHERIFF SMIX WITH ENCAMPMENT OUTPOSTS.

### Band of 800 Announces Intention of Marching on Elizabethtown and Rosiclare Today.

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ill., Sept. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—Eight hundred miners from Eldorado and near-by coal fields were encamped within 20 miles of this town tonight, prepared to march on this city and Rosiclare tomorrow, leaders of the march told an Associated Press correspondent, who located their camp today.

Reinforcements on the way from the coal fields will bring the invading army to more than 1000 men, it was said.

Deputy sheriffs and private detectives clashed with the outposts of the miners, who held up two trucks and three men at Creek Ford on the Harrisburg road this afternoon.

The miners retreated, leaving four prisoners and three automobiles in the officers' hands.

Four armed men who were in the fight were picked up by the sheriff's men. They said two of their men had been shot and four others were unaccounted for.

The deputy sheriffs denied that anyone was hurt.

A score of deputies and detectives met 15 miners in three cars at the ford, they said, and fired a few shots in the air as a signal for the men to surrender. Four surrendered and the others abandoned their cars and took to the woods without firing a shot.

All available citizens of Rosiclare and Elizabethtown were armed tonight to meet the miners if they carry out their announced intention of attacking the two towns tomorrow.

## BOY, 7, ALLEGED SLAYER

### Following Refusal to Fight.

MARTINEZ, Cal., Sept. 7.—Eight-year-old Lawrence Casey was shot and killed here late today by a bullet which the police say was fired by Richard Johnston, 7, of Johnston, Cal. Johnston boy is said to have fired the shot from a window in his home following his refusal to fight with the Casey lad. The two boys are said to have quarreled at school today.

The Casey boy walked 100 feet after he was shot, before falling. A .22 caliber rifle was the weapon used.

## U. S. PURSES SHOW LOSS

### Average American Loses 59 Cents During Month of August.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—The pocketbook of the average American held 59 cents less in August than in July, according to the monthly circulation statement issued today by the treasury.

On August 1 the per capita circulation on an estimated population of 108,225,000 persons was \$53, which on September 1 had dropped to \$52.41 on the basis of an estimated population of 108,265,000 persons.

## RUBBER COMPANIES UNITE

### Fisk and Federal Concerns Merge and Take Over Another.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 7.—Stockholders of the Fisk Rubber company and the Federal Rubber company voted today to consolidate the two companies and also to take over the Ninegraph company, a subsidiary.

The consolidation will take the name of the Fisk Rubber company. It was voted to issue \$10,000,000 of bonds.

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## GARDNER'S TRAIL FOUND ON ISLAND

### Apple Tree Is Stripped; Footprints Identified.

## YOUTH GIVES FIRST CLEW

### Shoes Are Prison Ones and Fugitive's Size.

## PATH LEADS TO BRUSH

### First Report of Convict Being Seen by Woman Is Proved Without Foundation.

McNEIL'S ISLAND, Sept. 7.—(Special).—Roy Gardner is still on McNeil's island. This became virtually a certainty this afternoon when his footprints were identified leading from an apple orchard which he had raided on the western end of the island during the night.

The discovery was made late in the day because Warden Maloney, who is conducting the man hunt for the federal prisoner here Monday, has become wary of will of the winds.

The posse went off on a wild goose chase early this morning when they received a call from an hysterical woman resident of the island, who declared she had seen a skulking figure in her orchard.

### Story Lacks Foundation.

A number of guards hurried to her home, but upon investigation found that her story was without foundation. As to the condition of the foliage in the orchard, Warden Maloney expressed the opinion that "people were seeing ghosts."

When, therefore, Tom Williams, 16-year-old stepson of Frank Wise, a rancher on the island, reported that he had seen a similar figure in his orchard, little credence was placed in the report. But a posse finally went to investigate—and one glance at the orchard changed their apathy into wildcat excitement.

One tree had been entirely stripped of apples and footprints leading from the tree into the brush, a hundred yards away, were distinctly visible.

### Shoes Are Gardner's Size.

Upon examination these footprints were readily identified as Gardner's. They had been made by prison shoes—this was indisputable, as the rude, unbuttoned soles with their raw hells and blunt toes could not have been mistaken—and a closer check showed that they were the same size as Gardner