

### MEETING BROKEN UP BY IRISH SOLDIERS

#### Details of Castlebar Turbulence Disclosed.

### COLLINS PARTY IS ARMED

#### Speaker Frequently Interrupted and Finally, When Weapons Are Drawn, Storm Breaks.

DUBLIN, April 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—The meeting addressed by Michael Collins at Castlebar, County Mayo, last night, was stopped by members of the 4th western division of the Irish republican army after stormy scenes in which a woman was wounded by a bullet, according to accounts reaching Dublin this morning.

The chief of the provisional government and his party returned to their hotel and the officer who had proclaimed the meeting at an end followed, declaring that none would be allowed to leave until Mr. Collins and his friends had surrendered their arms.

The accounts received here do not state whether the Collins party was disarmed, merely saying that "some people who left the hotel were searched."

The telegraph wires around Castlebar were cut and when the newspaper correspondents there boarded a train for Athlone they were ordered by two officers to go to the barracks.

#### McCabe First to Draw.

The newspaper men were conveyed to the barracks in automobiles, where they found A. M. McCabe, a member of the Dail Eireann, with Commandant Kiltroy and his staff. The commandant stated that McCabe had drawn the first shot and that he was the first to draw a revolver at the meeting. Mr. McCabe then, in the presence of the correspondents, said he believed he was the first to draw the dispatches.

A Dublin man, said to be Charles Byrne, a member of the Collins party, was arrested and accused of the shooting. Mr. Collins subsequently told the representative of the Irish Independent, Dublin newspaper, that he had visited Byrne in the barracks and found him in a cell with only a blanket for a bed and no bedding. He said he had asked Commandant Kiltroy to parole Mr. Byrne. Mr. Collins to be responsible, but that the request was refused.

Mrs. Fogarty, proprietress of the Commercial hotel, Castlebar, was wounded in the shoulder, presumably by the bullet fired at the meeting.

#### All Roads Are Blocked.

The correspondent of the London Evening News said the roads to Castlebar were blocked by trees and that automobiles moving toward the town were arrested by soldiers, who even ripped up the railway track to prevent the arrival of the special trains from surrounding towns.

The meeting was consequently delayed until 7 P. M.

The crowd numbered 2000 persons, among them many hostile to Collins. Mr. Collins was frequently interrupted and then a supporter drew a revolver. Others produced revolvers also, upon which the crowd stampeded, women fainting, and several persons were trampled upon. A young man was pursued into a side street and a number of shots were fired.

#### HUNT FOR GHOST FAILS

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Frighten the family and disturb the neighbors. It is a tiny house, much too small for a ghost who is honored by such a large importance, and the price set on it when Wellcome rented was \$400 for the building and the lot. There are four tiny rooms in the house, all the same size and all scantily furnished. If all the rappings reported were made by actual pounding on the doors and walls, the necessary force to have produced such noise would have knocked the joists and sills loose before this.

The sheriff's expressed hopes that there would be a bit of rapping while they were there. The neighbors expressed hopes that the sheriff would wait for nightfall, when the mystery about the mode of procedure to be followed by these officers in catching the ghost is as complete as the mystery of the noises.

Naturally a real deputy sheriff with a gun and a star and much matter-of-factly expressed his could not be expected to believe in ghosts and the four on the scene were not loathe to admit that they suspected skull-duggery and knavery. H. E. Stout, who lives next door to the south, was just as scornful of the ghost theory, but upheld it by relating the happenings of the neighborhood since the rapping began. He said the noises were frequently loud enough to awaken him in his own house and that they had also occurred when the Wellcome house was being watched, both inside and out, and no one was seen to make the noise.

There are two distinct kinds of rapping. One is a heavy slow thud, repeated twice or thrice on the door and with such force that it would break the door if it were really struck so hard. It is the kind of a noise which a man could make with his fist against a door yet when the door was struck by a real fist it made an entirely different sound. The other noise is a faster and lighter rapping, which has been counted up as high as 14 raps. To imitate it the weather-boards were tapped, but they didn't imitate. Some of these were torn off and the space between them and the plastering explored, but it was just space and contained no noise-making instruments. Underneath the house was just the same and the space between the ceiling and the roof of the one-story structure was just as empty.

Theories flew back and forth as fast as the retold tales of occult visitation. One man was within six feet of the house when the door was pounded and he ran across the street to friends and said he felt a breath of air on his face. This story brought weak laughs from visitors. Mr. Wellcome, who is a badly scared man, told of being knocked down by the force of the rapping. Neighbors living two blocks away have also heard it on occasions when the rapping was unusually loud.

Percy Grainger, noted pianist and composer, will give a recital for the Oregonian at 3:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The evening concert in the radio tower will be given by the Ad club quartet at 8 o'clock.

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memory list, are as follows: "Mala-guena," by Moszkowski; "Old Dog Tray," by Foster; "Le Cygne" (The Swan), by Saint-Saens; "Bacchante" ("Tales of Hoffman"), by Offenbach, and "Overture, 1812," by Tschai-kowsky. Miss Godwin will give an explanatory lecture on the story of such selection.

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thority." They were unanimous in their statement that they could not believe politics was at the bottom of the matter, however, declaring that of the number discharged 18 were republicans, eight democrats and the political affiliations of the others were unknown.

#### Bond Duplication Denied.

There has been no duplication of bonds in the last 18 months, they added, and there had been only a few petty thefts which had been detected and accounted for. Reports of bond duplication were dismissed by Secretary Mellon today with the remark that such charges "had been thoroughly ventilated by Secretary Houston," and completely dispelled.

The delegation of employees charged that the installation of a new electric process and improved methods of machinery had met with bitter opposition from the transferors' union and that during the war these transferors had obstructed the use of this new process in every possible way. Installation of modern machinery, they said, brought opposition because it meant a reduction in the force, citing as an example the making of postage stamps, which they said was reduced by half through improved methods, which meant a cut also in that force.

#### WOMEN JURORS ASKED

#### LEN SMALL SPRINGS SURPRISE AS TRIAL OPENS.

Attorneys for State Are Taken Un-awares and Ask 48 Hours' Delay to Prepare Reply.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., April 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—Governor Len Small was surprised today by a jury which will try him here on charges of having conspired with Fred E. Sterling, lieutenant-governor, and Vernon Curtis, banker, to embezzle state funds.

Today the governor attacked the legality of the jury panel because the Lake county board of supervisors had failed to include the names of women voters in it.

Taken by surprise, attorneys for the state obtained 48 hours' delay to prepare their answer.

Attorneys for the governor read an affidavit signed by him asserting that the board of supervisors had failed to comply with the legal requirements of 19 percent of the qualified voters be placed in the jury box and had, in fact, listed only 10 percent of the male voters, ignoring the women.

Werner Schroeder of the defense counsel declared that even though it should be held that women may not sit on the jury, the supervisors should have prepared a venire based on the total number of votes cast by both men and women. He cited a long list of court decisions in other states in support of the contention that women may serve on the jury.

Judge Edwards has already announced that the jury will be confined throughout the trial, which is expected to last anywhere from three to five months.

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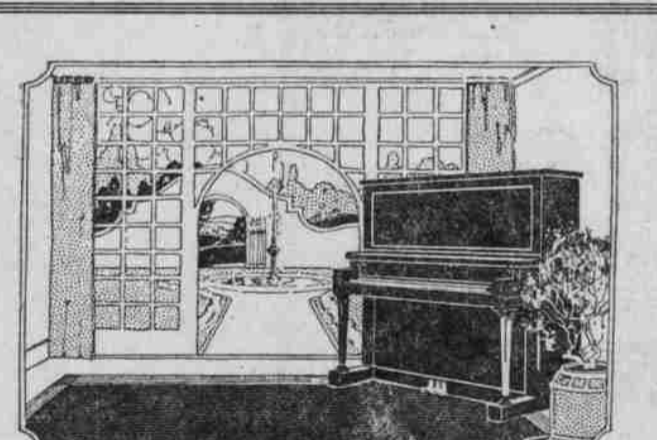
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- 3—"Apples Blossoms," selection. Kreisler and Jacoby
- 4—"Kish-ma-Hani," Persian Flower Dance
- 5—"Dreams," R. Wagner
- 6—"Minuet," J. I. Paderewski
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