



COLLINS SLAIN FROM AMBUSH

Irish Free State Army Chief Is Shot.

COUNTRY IN TROUBLE

Country's "Hope" Is Killed From Ambush at Bandon County Cork.

DUBLIN IS IN MOURNING

Troops Urged to Keep Up Courage and Refrain From Reprisals.

BY PAUL WILLIAMS.
(Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service. By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
DUBLIN, Aug. 22.—Michael Collins was killed this afternoon in an ambush at Bandon while on a tour of inspection.

Mr. Collins was head of the free state armies.

The news of the death of Ireland's hope comes as a great shock to the country. The general headquarters at Portobello began preparing an official statement of the assassination.

The news of Collins' death has overwhelmed the great majority of the Irish who had seen in him Erin's hope for peace after the long years of fighting.

At the time of his death "Micky" Collins was commander-in-chief of the Irish free state army, chairman of the provisional government and secretary of the treasury in the cabinet of the Dail Eireann. His loss, combined with that of Arthur Griffith on August 13, will affect Ireland in a manner now impossible to conceive.

Moaning Announces Death.

The correspondent learned of the tragedy in a dramatic manner. He was sitting in the Brunswick street police station here when he was startled by the sound of moaning in the corridors. Then General Beaslie, the chief censor, walking with bowed head and unable to still his grief, came into the room, where he gave the news which he had just received from general headquarters.

The managing editor of the Freeman's Journal, himself on the verge of tears, hurried across the street on the receipt of the news to order the rules turned for the second time within two weeks.

He said: "It means to Ireland what Abraham Lincoln's assassination meant to America."

"For God's sake," said a hotel porter forgetting to close the door.

Some See Curse on Country.

A taxicab driver stopped dead still, letting his cigarette go out, when he heard the news. Some superstitious persons asserted that a curse was on the country. Others asked what would Ireland do now.

Mr. Collins, with Commandant-General Fistan Lynch, an aide and a driver, left Dublin on Sunday morning in a high-powered four-seated motor car of special make, which recently had been presented to him by admirers. I saw him on Sunday afternoon at Limerick, where General O'Duffy, a member of the army council with Mr. Collins, joined the party on an inspection trip through the southwestern command.

An armored car led the party, which included two motor lorries carrying soldiers, and another armored car brought up the rear. While the route was not announced it is known that Mr. Collins intended to visit a number of the cities which had been recently occupied by his troops. To reach them it was necessary to pass through many miles of country in which roamed small bands of irregulars.

Details Not Furnished.

No details of the tragedy were furnished by general headquarters, but Richard Mulcahy, the chief of staff, got out the following order

PROHIBITION CHIEF HELD PROPAGANDIST

DISCHARGE OF COMMISSIONER HAYNES IS ASKED.

Maryland Lawmaker Declares Use of Frank for Political Purposes Is Fraudulent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—Representative Hill, republican, Maryland, today addressed a letter to Secretary Mellon requesting the immediate removal of Federal Prohibition Commissioner Haynes, who, Mr. Hill charged, is "engaged in defaming the United States government in that he is using and causing to be used the official mail franks of the treasury department for the sending out of personal political propaganda in the interest of himself and his associates, the anti-saloon league."

In support of his charges, Representative Hill stated in the letter that Commissioner Haynes has been sending under mail franks a bulletin under the title of "Information Bureau Prohibition Unit, Immediate Release," dated August 21, containing an interview in which the commissioner discussed the enforcement of the prohibition amendment. In the statement the commissioner is quoted as saying "there never was greater necessity for all law-abiding forces to get together and candidates who have come out wholly on the side of law and order should have the fullest support at the polls."

Explaining that he is a candidate for re-election, Mr. Hill asserted in the letter that "Prohibition Commissioner Haynes is using money derived from taxes of which I personally pay a part for a personal propaganda against me and those who, in accordance with my sworn duty, are advocating a modification of the absurd and tyrannical Volstead act."

The letter further charged that Commissioner Haynes is "neglecting the business of his office and making stump speeches in favor of himself and the anti-saloon league throughout the United States."

VICTIMS WILL RECOVER

Portland Men Shot by Hunter Held Out of Danger.

MEDFORD, Or., Aug. 22.—R. A. Stewart and Charles H. Mead of Portland, members of a hunting party being entertained by Tom Hart, also of Portland, at his cabin on Sucker creek, 30 miles from Medford, are at a local hospital recovering from wounds received early Sunday morning when they were shot by a deer. Hunted by Charles Kirk, football coach of the Roseburg high school.

RIGHT TO SHOOT GIVEN

Chinese Says White Woman Signed Contract for "Privilege."

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 22.—David Yee, a Chinese waiter employed in an Omaha cafe, today displaying a contract which he said, Miss Lily Larson of Omaha gave him the "privilege" of shooting or killing her in any way he chose, if she ever went out with any other man, today asked police to find Miss Larson who he said, disappeared last night when they were to have been married.

The contract quoted Miss Larson as saying she would "never walk or talk to any other man" and "never go out with any one else."

Police learned Miss Larson had gone to Alliance, Neb., and Yee appeared at the county attorney's office for a complaint against her. He was told she had violated no laws.

GIRL IN BUGGY HURT

Rider Is Thrown Out When Horse Is Frightened by Dog.

MOLALLA, Or., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Miss Hazel Bowman, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bowman, farmers, near Molalla, was thrown from a buggy in which she was driving to town yesterday and her skull fractured when her horse became frightened by a dog barking at its heels. Miss Bowman was taken to the Sellwood hospital, where her condition was declared to be critical.

Miss Bowman is a student at the Molalla high school. When she was thrown from the buggy she struck rocks by the side of the road and a serious fracture resulted. Dr. E. Todd, who attended her, said that she had a chance for recovery.

WOMAN KILLED BY TRAIN

Mrs. Thomas Saltman Struck While Crossing Railroad Trestle.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 22.—Mrs. Thomas Saltman, aged 30, was killed by a train shortly before noon today as she was crossing a railroad trestle with two of her children at her home in Concrete, Skagit county. One of her daughters, aged 10, was bruised and otherwise injured in jumping from the bridge. Another daughter, aged 3, escaped unhurt. Mrs. Saltman was the mother of six children.

VIRGINIA EDWARDS IS MISS PORTLAND

Charming Girl, 17, Is Oregon's Beauty.

CHOICE IS UNANIMOUS ONE

Victor Is Fine Swimmer and Diver, Too.

GALA TIME IS AHEAD

Shower of Gifts Is Promised by Portland Merchants for Atlantic City Visitor.

Virginia Edwards wins the proud title of Miss Portland.

This charming girl, 17 years old, who lives with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Edwards, 675 Multnomah street, has been declared by the five judges of the Oregonian contest the most perfect beauty in the hundreds of contest entries. They agreed unanimously yesterday afternoon that she is the loveliest of all Oregon girls.

"I can hardly believe it," gasped Miss Edwards last night when told of her good fortune. "It seems too good to be true. I had hardly thought it possible that I could win. I hardly know what to say about it, of course winning makes me very happy."

Girl Born in Portland.

Miss Edwards was born in Portland, educated here and is thoroughly an Oregon representative. She was graduated this year from St. Helens hall and expects to enter Dana hall, Wellesley, Mass. this autumn. Next year she hopes to enter Wellesley college.

It is also fortunate that the contest winner is an accomplished swimmer and diver, water sports entering largely into the Atlantic City pageant. She is also a student in Russian dancing. She has musical training, as well, having a cultivated soprano voice. She is an only child.

As the state's foremost beauty, Miss Edwards wins high honors. She is acclaimed queen of beauty here at home, she will be showered with gifts by Portland merchants and will leave the first week in September for Atlantic City, where she will

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PLEA FOR ALIMONY PROBLEM FOR JUDGE

\$43,000 YEARLY HELD SPENT ON CHORUS GIRL.

What Should Be Wife's Allowance Pending Divorce Trial? Query Is Put Up to Jurist.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—What is the proper amount of alimony for the ex-wife of a man who spends \$43,000 a year on a chorus girl?

Supreme Court Justice May, in Brooklyn, reserved decision today on the application of Mrs. Hildreth Sterne, of Beechurst, L. I., for \$300 weekly alimony and \$4000 counsel fees, to consider the problem. Mrs. Sterne, asking divorce, seeks also temporary alimony pending trial of her suit, and Allan S. Locke, special referee, recommended today that she be given \$75 a week temporary alimony, \$750 counsel fees and \$500 to pay living bills incurred since she started action against her husband.

The young wife's charges against Sterne, who lives in Manhattan, and according to Mrs. Sterne, derives weekly alimony from his import and export business, include undue intimacy with Helen R. Meyers, former Winter Garden beauty, on whom it is alleged he spent \$43,000 in the principal cities of Europe between December, 1918, and November, 1919. During that time, Mrs. Sterne alleges, her husband assigned one of his employees to "spy" on her to ascertain whether she was "becoming suspicious" of his lavish spending abroad, and used a code in communicating with this agent.

Sterne is president of the Sterne Trading Corporation, Inc., dealing in surplus army supplies, which had a profit of more than \$1,000,000 last year, according to Mrs. Sterne.

DEAN HICKS IN CHARGE

Portland Man May Be Made Eastern Oregon Bishop.

THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Dean Reginald T. Hicks of Portland, has been placed temporarily in charge of the Episcopal parishes at The Dalles and Hood River, according to a telegram received this morning by local Episcopalians from Bishop Robert L. Paddock in New York. Dean Hicks is expected to conduct the services here next Sunday. Archdeacon Van Waters is making the arrangements for Dean Hicks' work.

A number of conjectures have gained circulation since the receipt of the telegram, the chief of which is that Dean Hicks may be the next eastern Oregon bishop. A new rectory for St. Paul's church here will be named at the Episcopal convention next month, it is expected. The local church has been without a rector since the resignation of Rev. George Hoisheit.

STEEL CORPORATIONS LIFT PAY OF 300,000

THREE BIG COMPANIES' ACTION IS SURPRISE.

Financial District Taken Back Because Other Revisions Are Generally Downward.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Three big steel corporations, employing normally nearly 300,000 workers, today announced a 20 per cent wage increase for all day laborers in their manufacturing plants. The United States Steel corporation took the lead, but was quickly followed by the Midvale Steel & Ordnance company and the Youngstown Sheet & Tube company.

In the absence of Charles Schwab and Eugene Grace, of the Bethlehem Steel corporation, no other official of that company would commit himself. Secretary Brown said, however, he did not know of any action that had been taken on the wage question. President Matthews of the Crucible Steel corporation said his company had taken no action "as yet." It was generally believed in financial circles that all important independent steel firms would announce increases within a few days. News of the increase came as a surprise to the financial district probably because wage adjustments in other industries have been generally downward. It was followed by slight recessions in the price of steel shares.

No explanation of the increase was given by the steel corporations. However, it is known that the immigration law has cut off the supply of unskilled laborers which formerly drifted to the iron and steel centers. When the labor shortage became acute last spring and the steel industry began to show signs of rehabilitation, temporary relief was afforded by the employment of men thrown out of work by the coal strike.

DOMESTICS ARE TRAINED

London Hopes to Find Solution of House-servant Problem.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—London hopes to solve its servant problem by establishing a college for the training of young women in domestic science and the useful arts. The government has set aside \$250,000 for the purpose. The cost of training an unemployed girl so that she can take a situation in domestic service is \$100.

The girls are given a course lasting 13 weeks, with 50 hours instruction every week. They are taught cookery, laundry work, housewifery, needlework, infant welfare and hygiene. They also are given instructions in the arts of singing and piano playing, which are considered indispensable adjuncts to the all-around servant who wishes to brighten her mistress' life with something more than mere culinary accomplishments or household industry.

3 BIG RAIL CHIEFS HURRY TO PARLEY

Trip From Europe Is Held Significant.

ROADS AGAINST SENIORITY

Three Other Surprises Met in Railway Strike.

STEEL MEN'S PAY LIFTED

Unions on Walkout Regard Action as Upholding Refusal to Accept Wage Cut.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—Four surprise factors entered into the rail strike today, any one of which, according to representatives of roads and brotherhoods, may vitally influence the action of the Association of Railway Executives when it meets tomorrow to consider proposals for mediation with the big five brotherhoods. They were: 1. The announcement that presidents of three powerful eastern roads, Samuel Rea of the Pennsylvania, E. E. Loomis of the Lehigh Valley, and William Bester of the Jersey Central, were expected to arrive from Europe on the Majestic, in time to participate in the conference of the Association of Railway Executives.

2. The grant by three large steel corporations of a 20 per cent increase in wage to their 300,000 day laborers.

Peace Talk All "Bunk."

An assertion by L. F. Loree, president of the Delaware & Hudson, and chairman of the eastern presidents' conference, that predictions of a strike settlement and peace in the industry were "all bunk."

4. Announcement that several brotherhood chiefs are en route from the west with practical proposals for settlement of the shop crafts strike, which they will submit to rail executives if all other advances fail.

Heads of the railway executives refuse to comment on the unexpected arrival of the three eastern presidents.

Their return on the same boat, and in the midst of the present crisis, was admittedly significant, however, especially since their respective vice-presidents have been the nucleus of the group which, in conference of the national association, has consistently fought against any peace plan which included reinstatement of strikers with seniority rights unimpaired.

Strikers Welcome Decision.

The decision of the steel corporations to raise the wages of laborers just 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting of the executives was hailed by the strikers as a point in their favor. It not only justified their refusal to accept wage cuts fixed by the railroad labor board, they said, but was ample proof of an impending industrial boom which would put the railroads, with their thousands of bad order cars, more than ever in need of their old repair forces.

"This wage increase will put considerable fire into the veins of railroad labor," declared David Williams, secretary of the eastern strike committee. "The railroad man will find it hard to understand why he should get \$7.25 a day when he could get \$4 for the same work in the steel mill."

"If the railroads don't settle with the shopmen, it will be doubly difficult for them to hold the unskilled crafts in line."

Rail Heads Are Silent.

Rail heads refrained from discussion of the possible effects of the steel company's move on rail strike negotiations. They were, nevertheless, quick to offer numerous reasons why the steel industry should grant their men a raise at the critical stage.

One was that some of the steel corporation bankers who also are large investors in the railroads took such means of making untenable the position steadfastly maintained by the eastern "disbarred" headed by L. F. Loree, that the strike be allowed to continue "as a finish fight" rather than let it be settled by returning seniority rights to the strikers.

In other quarters the rise for the steel men was interpreted as an attempt to forestall a shortage of labor when coal mines get into full action again and roads are called upon to take up the additional burden of record crop movements. Still others decided it might bring the wage question back to complicate the strike, which now has slumped down to a battle over seniority rights.

Similar Views Voiced.

Although Mr. Loree today disclaimed any intention of putting the brakes on strike negotiations, after declaring that "this talk of peace is all bunk," other members of the eastern presidents' conference, voicing similar views, indicated they will enter tomorrow's conference as

SHIMMY IS DOOMED, SAY DANCE MASTERS

DECOROUS, DREAMY WALTZ EXPECTED TO RETURN.

New York Convention Approves Long Skirts; Jazzy Music Is to Be Banned.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The shimmy, the Chicago, the various forms of sinuous swaying and shuffling dances, are "out." The ban applies to everything "Ritz" in a terpsichorean form. And jazzy music is passe. This is official word. The International Dancing Masters' association and the National Association of Dancing Masters in convention here today decreed these things. Both organizations okeed long skirts—down to the ankles, but not trailing.

The old waltz, with its decorous, dreamy sway, is coming in again, it was decided. Tradition is about to replace the new. Elimination of the laughing trombone, moaning saxophone, piping clarinet and other weird orchestral noises from the modern dance orchestra, will go far to hasten the passing of many of the more objectionable steps, in the opinion of the dancing masters. Up-to-date dance orchestras, it was agreed, will in future play dance numbers in faster time, giving dancers less opportunity to interpolate hops, struts or wriggling body movements. Introduction of symphonic effects in dance music in place of the familiar jazz, shriek and clash of the recent past was urged.

A few of the dancing masters said the dress and manners of modern girls favored "wriggling dances."

LIGHTNING KILLS SCOUT

Bolt Strikes in Midst of Group of Nine Boys.

BUTTE, Aug. 22.—Henry Heidemann, 16, a boy scout who had gone with a party on a climb of Red Mountain in the highlands 23 miles south of Butte, was killed yesterday afternoon when lightning struck in the midst of the group of nine boys led by the scout executive, Benjamin Owen. Three other scouts, Thomas Lanphier, Carl Shiner and William Kent, were knocked unconscious from the flash but were revived.

Young Heidemann had suffered a direct hit and efforts at resuscitation were futile.

The party had left the summer camp early in the morning for the climb of the peak, where about 10,000 feet high, and were on their way down the west slope when overtaken by the storm.

BERTH DRESSER IS HURT

Doctor's Shoulder Is Thrown Out of Joint While Donning Attire.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 22.—Dr. R. E. Plack of Asheville, N. C., threw his shoulder out of joint trying to dress in his berth on a Pennsylvania train which arrived here yesterday.

He could not set his shoulder without assistance and he suffered greatly until he arrived here and obtained medical aid.

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OTHER WOMAN PLANS SUIT

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LEGACY IS THREATENED

Action to Have Court Take \$50,000 From Woman Who Tried to Buy Mate Rumored.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—Suits for alienation, divorce proceedings and court action to relieve Mrs. Edith Huntington Spreckels Wakefield of the custody of her three children by her first husband, John D. Spreckels Jr., probably will follow as an aftermath of the disclosure of an unusual marital triangle. Mrs. Wakefield also may lose an \$50,000 bequest from the estate of Spreckels as a result of her affair with Rodney Kendrick, a newspaper artist.

It was reported but not confirmed that John D. Spreckels Sr. had come to San Francisco from San Diego to take steps to obtain the custody of Mrs. Wakefield's children, and to investigate the possibility of legal proceedings to set aside the bequest.

Damage Suit Prepared.

Frank M. Carr, attorney for Mrs. Kendrick, announced today that a \$25,000 damage suit charging Mrs. Wakefield with alienation of affections of Kendrick is being prepared and will be filed by Friday. Mr. Carr also announced that his client had instructed him to file divorce proceedings against the artist as a result of Mrs. Wakefield's offer while her husband and Mrs. Wakefield were on a motor trip together. The unusual triangle had promised to work out smoothly until Mrs. Wakefield left the home of Mrs. Wakefield in Sausalito, where she had been a guest, and consulted her attorney.

Divorce Suit Pending.

Mrs. Wakefield now has a divorce suit pending against Frank Wakefield, well-known business man of San Francisco. Mrs. Kendrick in an interview said today that when she first met Mrs. Wakefield she never dreamed that she was in love with her husband. "I thought she was a most lovable and generous woman," she said.

"I had been at a sanitarium in Stockton when Mrs. Wakefield telephoned, inviting me to make a visit at her home in Sausalito. I agreed, knowing that I would see my husband in Sausalito. When I reached Mrs. Wakefield's home her first words were that she was divorcing her husband. I told her I wished I also was free. And then she told me she would like to marry Rodney."

\$100 a Month for Life Offered.

It was then, Mrs. Kendrick says, that Mrs. Wakefield made her proposal to pay her \$100 a month for life.

According to Kendrick there had been a peaceful separation between him and his wife long before the triangle arose. He says there was no concealment on his part or on that of Mrs. Wakefield.

Mrs. Rodney Kendrick, mother of the artist, sides with her son and Mrs. Wakefield. She blames Mrs. Kendrick for marrying her son when she knew she was a victim of tuberculosis.

The Kendricks were married three years ago in Elizabeth, N. J. They came to the coast immediately after their marriage.

TWO KILLED IN CRASH

Motortruck Bursts Into Flames When Struck by Train.

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 22.—Two persons received injuries that caused their deaths and another probably was injured fatally this afternoon when the northbound Toledo-Detroit flyer, on the Michigan Central railroad, struck a motor truck loaded with turpentine and gasoline at the Dixie highway crossing, just outside the village of Rockwood, 26 miles south of here.

Both locomotive and truck burst into flames.

KINGMAN, ARIZ., AUG. 22.—D. V. Kinney was killed instantly and six others seriously but not fatally injured last night when two work trains on the Santa Fe collided at a point 76 miles east of here. An overland order is believed to have been responsible. Both engines were badly damaged. The injured were taken to the hospital in Kingman.



MISS VIRGINIA EDWARDS.

—Pink Photo.

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