

HOUSE HOSTILITY TOWARD SHIPPING BOARD LESSENS

Washington, June 27.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—While the house of representatives the other day, through its conferees on the deficiency bill, refused to appropriate \$50,000,000 voted by the senate to provide for operation of government ships beyond the first of July and to pay the long-deferred claims of shipbuilders, house leaders have given assurances that they do not intend to starve the new board.

This was revealed by a later debate in the senate, when Senator Jones of Wyoming, head of the senate conferees, and was informed that while the house members had refused to yield one dollar for ship operations and payment of claims, they promised that when the new shipping board gets down to business, the money needed will be voted "if there was evidence that the board intended to proceed with greater efficiency and more economy."

As the situation stands, according to statements of Admiral Benson to the committee, the board will have nothing on hand after July 1 for operating ships or for payment of claims. If the bark of the dog were as bad as the bite, this would be extremely serious for not long ago Representative Good, retiring chairman of the appropriations committee, was not going to appropriate, if it can prevent it, a single penny out of the treasury for next year for this board that does not know its business.

He said the board must get its spending money out of the sale of ships and salvage of plants. Inasmuch as ships cannot now be sold and salvage cannot be disposed of at any reasonable price, the result of such a policy would be the tying up of practically all government ships.

Already over 600 steel ships and all the wooden ships are tied up, and a pressing question for the board is whether it will tie up more of them or keep the ships running, at a loss for a time, with the certainty that congress will have to be asked to provide the money to do it.

There is every indication that the new shipping board does not intend to relinquish the operation of ships, but believes that under the Jones act it duty is to promote the merchant marine.

APPROPRIATION EXPECTED

It may also be predicted that the new board will favor the appropriation of money to pay proved claims that are ready for adjustment and have been delayed for many weary months.

Senator Jones said he had viewed "with a great deal of anxiety" the statements of Chairman Good, for he believed that this kind of a do-nothing stop-operations policy is just what foreign competitors want.

"It is hopeful to know," he added, "that if a shining is made by the new board it is absolutely necessary and desirable from the standpoint of the public interest to appropriate a do-nothing additional money to keep some of these ships running, as ought to be done, the congress will respond to such demands. I hope they will make such a showing that congress will see to it that the ships that ought to be run are run, and that whatever claims are adjusted, they are just and equitable, the shipping board under that provision will be made to pay them."

IRISH PEACE MEET TO BE HELD, IS REPORT

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was the granting of Sinn Fein full government powers except for control of the army and navy and in foreign relations. Under those conditions Ulster, probably will be granted similar rights.

SUCCESS PREDICTED

Between the lines of Lloyd George's written offer to de Valera politics, observers believe they find sufficient evidence to indicate that this final attempt of the government to end the strife has more than an even chance of success.

It is pointed out that unless there had been previous unofficial interchanges between the premier and the Irish leader, it is doubtful that Lloyd George would have made his offer. It is believed that before dispatching the letter, therefore, the British chief had assured himself that such an offer would have a chance of acceptance. It is noticeable as well that de Valera has never at any time intimated directly that he would not be glad to meet Lloyd George.

CHOICE OFFERED SINN FEIN

What reception the offer will have is problematical. It will be received by the conservatives as a welcome move. The extremists will counsel rejection, and it is consequently a question of whether conservatives or extremists are in control of the Irish Republican organization.

Pointing out that the offer cannot be construed as any slackening by the government in its war against Sinn Fein, the Sunday Times declares, with some authority, that this is "positively the last" proposal to be made Ireland and that it is a sincere effort to prevent

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further conflict and a "sincere desire for settlement by conference."

"If de Valera refuses to accept it," the Times declares, "the government will not shirk its duty. A republic in Ireland is as impossible as peace is essential. It is to be hoped that the vast majority will be accepted in the spirit in which it is offered."

ULSTERITES READY TO FAREWELL

Sir James Craig has already replied to Lloyd George's invitation to the conference.

"I am summoning the Ulster cabinet meet, Tuesday," he said, "and you may rest assured that no time will be lost in conveying to you the result of our deliberations."

The Irish situation has, therefore, reached a point towards which both the government and the less radical Sinn Fein elements have been working for an entire year.

There are three possibilities. De Valera may refuse to negotiate. He may negotiate only to arrive at no satisfactory compromise. Or, the question may be settled on the basis of increased powers for a self-governing Ireland, removed of financial power and control of the constitution of the southern senate.

The first two possibilities mean a fight for the British, with Sinn Fein in the end losing. The third solution means a north and south harmoniously united organization, and the south working under British-made legislative machinery for the first time in Irish history.

The first possibility is considered negligible. Sinn Fein has always professed itself to be waiting for what Lloyd George has now done years of hesitation. The second is more probable, but is regarded as doubtful by Sinn Fein's knowledge that the government has been sending thousands of troops into Ireland, and that the vast majority of it is holding thousands more in readiness.

HARMONY MOST LIKELY

The third possibility stands then, as the most promising of fulfillment. If, however, negotiation fails and military force takes its place, Lloyd George has no alternative but to accept the position to the mailed fist program on the part of the liberals.

It is openly agreed that Lloyd George's offer is based, officially, upon the fact that de Valera and Craig had already held a conference on their own initiative and upon the sentiment created by the king's "forgive and forget" speech at Belfast—a speech which the cabinet had prepared and which the king merely read.

NEWSPAPERS APPROVE OF LLOYD GEORGE COURSE

London, June 27.—(L. N. S.)—The hour for peace in Ireland has struck, according to the Times today, in consequence of Premier Lloyd George's invitation to Eamon de Valera and Sir James Craig to come to London to discuss an Irish settlement with the British government.

"Virtually all of the newspapers approve of the premier's course," the opposition newspaper, Daily News, which has been an outspoken critic of the government's Irish policy, declared today. "The country is confronted with the appalling prospect of intensified warfare in Ireland if the conference fails."

It has been proposed that England administer Ireland as a crown colony beginning July 12 unless the southern Ireland plan (created under the new home rule bill) meets and swears allegiance to England and King George. The view held in Ireland, said the Daily News, is that this action would be tantamount to actual declaration of war. This newspaper pointed out that both general staffs (English and Sinn Fein) have plans completed for a great campaign. The Irish republican army has been strengthened by enforcing conscription in industrial districts.

TWILIGHT OF BATTLE

"Is this the twilight or the dawn?" queries the Daily News in commenting upon the latest peace move.

"The Daily Telegraph" referred to the premier's invitation as a "state document of first class importance which will be closely scanned throughout the world."

"The letter was put forward as a final appeal for reconciliation in the spirit of the king's word at Belfast," said the Daily Telegraph.

"The country looks for no negligible conditions, but for a wholehearted attempt to bring the horrible situation to a end and a handclasp of handsome peace," said the Daily Mail.

"For the moment an attitude of caution and restraint from criticism on the part of the Irish is necessary," said the Irish Independent, adding:

"If the elected representatives decide to accept they may be trusted to do everything possible to secure terms satisfactory to the Irish people."

"We must take exception to the attempt of the premier to drag Ulster into a conference with the Sinn Fein," said a dispatch from Belfast, quoting the Northern Whig. This newspaper continued:

"What have we to do with De Valera's absurd claims to set up a republic? The premier is not treating Sir James Craig fairly in asking him to meet De Valera, whom the loyalists of Ulster regard with abhorrence."

STEPPED IN BLOOD

"His hands are steeped in the blood of hundreds of innocent policemen, soldiers and civilians. One shudders at the very idea of being asked to sit in the same room."

The Manchester Guardian, a constant critic of the government's Irish policy, suspends judgment on the premier's peace move. It prints a column of non-committal news beginning with the caption "Is it business?" and closing with the question "Is there wisdom and statesmanship enough to prevent the opportunity from being lost?"

SINN FEINERS CONFERRING ON REPLY TO LLOYD GEORGE

Dublin, June 27.—(L. N. S.)—Sinn Fein leaders today began conferring upon the reply which will be made to Premier

ELEVEN DE WHEM HOME BURNS; FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED

(By United News)

Mayfield, Ky., June 27.—Circumstances attending the findings, early Sunday of the bodies of 11 persons, burned to death, are being investigated with a view of determining whether wholesale murder had been committed.

The bodies, charred beyond recognition and with only parts of limbs, trunks and skulls recovered, were found at the home of Ernest Lawrence, six miles north of here, which had been destroyed by fire.

The dead: Ernest Lawrence, 35, Mrs. Lora Lawrence, 30, Ethel Lawrence, 4, Ralph Lawrence, 11 months, Otis Drew, 28, Mrs. Ola Drew, 23, Delma Drew, 14, Harry Drew, 5, Otis Drew Jr., 4.

At a coroner's inquest neighbors testified they heard sounds "like women and children screaming" and also half a dozen pistol shots.

A 22 caliber rifle, a pistol, a shot gun, ax and an oil can were found in the ruins. This strengthened the theory of murder, possibly the work of a mad-dog maniac.

No motive for the murder, if it was murder, of the two families could be found.

The two families lived in the house, a three-roomed log and frame affair.

Investigators considered as added mystery the fact that parts of clothing were found clinging to the flesh of the men, indicating that they had not gone to bed.

The aged mother of the two cremated women, Mrs. Nettie Riley, viewed the scene of the fire and became hysterical.

Industrial Success Tends to Make Girls Old Maids, Is Claim

Washington, June 27.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The more industrial success has come to the front to combat the representatives of women's organizations who contend for equal pay with men in the government service and in the activities outside which probably would be affected by governmental adoption.

"I hope I will not see the time when women will come down town to work in the morning in their machines, accompanied by their husbands who will drive the cars away and be left to spend their time in the poolrooms and other places of amusements," said Idaho congressman, presenting his view of the case at the joint congressional hearings on reclassification of government jobs.

Mr. Smith suggested that the employment of women tends to discourage marriage and home building, each promoting a woman employee taking her one step further away from the desire to have a home. By the time she is 25, he said, she is fully paid, and she has the idea of making money for herself, and enters the old maid state.

Along this line Mr. Smith fired a broadside of questions at Mrs. Maude Wood Park, chairman of the national league of women voters, but he was unable to shake her adherence to the doctrine that for the same work women should have the same pay as men.

Large numbers of women are forced to engage in useful employment, and in many cases are paid less than men, said, and it is a condition, not a theory, merit, not sex, should govern the pay, said Mrs. Park.

New Mount Olivet Building Fund Gains \$5824 Over Sunday

Cash pledges of \$5824.27 were received Sunday night at the Mount Olivet Baptist church during the new building rally held under the direction of the Rev. J. W. Anderson, pastor.

Mr. Anderson, pastor, of this amount of \$5824.27, which is the largest amount of whom were business men of the city. Negotiations are under way for the purchase of a church site on the corner of Third and Main streets, which will be dedicated next Sunday if the deal is closed. The congregation plans the erection of a modern brick structure. Pledges totaling \$12,000 and payable within the next 18 months have been received.

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"This question is one which must be considered carefully and gravely," said a Sinn Fein member of parliament, who also is a general in the Irish Republican army. "Obviously we cannot, and De Valera cannot, say anything offhand without due consideration."

"The question of accepting the invitation is being put up to the Daily Eireann (the Sinn Fein parliament). It is probable that it will be accepted," said Michael Collins, former commander-in-chief of the Irish Republican army, who will be one of De Valera's colleagues on the trip to London. Another probably will be Richard Mulcahy, "quartermaster general of the Irish Republican army."

Both Collins and Mulcahy have been known as "marked men" as they were held by the British military authorities to be chiefly responsible for the numerous ambush attacks upon crown forces during the past few months.

In Sinn Fein circles it is believed that the release of Arthur Griffith and Dr. MacNeill soon will be ordered. Both are in Mount Joy prison. Griffith is president of the Sinn Fein party. It is reported that they will be liberated, so they can consult with De Valera on Premier Lloyd George's proposals.

SINN FEIN PARLIAMENT WILL MEET TO HEAR REPLY

Dublin, June 27.—(L. N. S.)—Daily Eireann (the Sinn Fein parliament) today was summoned to meet here tomorrow to consider formally Eamon de Valera's reply to Premier Lloyd George's invitation to an Irish peace parley. It is believed that Daily Eireann and De Valera will accept the premier's invitation.

Paroled Patients Escape

Salem, June 27.—Lawrence Holland and James F. Agnew, paroled patients at the state hospital, took "French leave" from the institution this morning. Holland was here from Portland on his sixth commitment. Agnew was committed from Eugene about a year ago.

Fifty Shots Fired In Battle Between Posse and Robbers

Council Bluffs, Ia., June 26.—More than 50 shots were fired in a battle late Sunday between a posse of eight men and two robbers, Joe and Ed Rice, brothers, in a corner of a little peninsula which juts into the Missouri river near River Sioux, Iowa.

Driven to the river, Bert surrendered, but jumped into the river and escaped.

The brothers had robbed the Moss & Dunsavage pavilion, near River Sioux, and had been conducting a reign of terror.

TRUCK HITS AUTO; TWO WERE INJURED

Oregon City, June 27.—C. D. Lawrence of 1867 East Main street, Portland, sustained a broken cheek bone and W. H. Rusco of the same address, was badly bruised and the skin torn on his arms and legs, when the machine in which they were riding collided with an auto and truck on the Pacific highway near Coacoma, south of this city, Saturday afternoon.

Lawrence was driving and had parked his car at the side of the road. D. L. Felster, 426 East Fiftieth street, Portland, who was driving a light car, attempted to pass the truck, driven by J. R. Potter, also of Portland, just as they drew opposite the parked machines. The truck and Felster's machine collided on the narrow roadway, and the truck was swung into the parked car, which rolled over against the fence.

Lawrence and Rusco were pinned between the car and fence. Lawrence was brought to the Oregon City hospital for treatment.

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which he is banking everything on it and if it works it may spill our champ. But Jim won't divulge what kind of a trick, however, a trick is a trick and will at least save a grand slam. NO HARM IN WONDERING

I am not saying if I think Georges needs a trick or not, but they're no harm in wondering what it is like and as the Frenchman's method of strategy it may be a whole lot better trick than most people expect. Like for Inst. Georges might come out from his corner and just as Dempsey was going to lead, the Frenchman might point to the 310 seats and tell Jack that he was somebody up there trying to attract attention and when he turned to see who could it be, Georges might hit him in the jaw.

Of course, you get an eye under your cheek, and reach over like he was going to brush his hair, then he would push his face forward Georges could fall off and make him.

Georges might have somebody make up like him setting in his corner and when the substitute got up and told Dempsey that he was Carpenter, and Dempsey went after him, Georges could climb in the ring and sneak up behind Jack and slug him. That is why we think the Georges might pull, but I won't numerate no more of them as I might mention the one he is working on and he would half to think up another which he couldn't hardly do in a week's time.

THEN THERE'S HYPNOTISM

They have been some talk that Georges wouldn't half to try to strategy or exert himself in any way to win as going Descamp is a hypnotist and is going to use his hypnotic power while they're nothing in the rule book to stop that, Descamp's better look out Dempsey don't pay him back in his own coin as I presume he'll be in the ring in a trance and the boys that tended the Mike Seance claims that Dempsey made Bill do things against his will.

Also the people that has faith in Francois' hypnotic eye alleges that it was what he used to win early, but others claim that he was silly before he ever seen Descamp and further and more Frank Moran also slapped him around a good deal.

Whether Svenall is a Violinist or a red ink restaurant.

During the war the shippbuilding plant was granted special rates which, representatives of the railway administration claim, were applicable to shippbuilding materials.

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Steel Company Case Against Railroads Is Heard by I. C. C. Man

An effort to gain reparation of approximately \$7000, which it is claimed, was obtained by the railroads through excessive freight rates during federal control, is being made today by the Willamette Iron & Steel company before Examiner Flynn of the interstate commerce commission. The hearing is being held at the courthouse.

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Cox Editorial on "Economic Stress" Put in U. S. Record

Washington, June 27.—(L. N. S.)—An editorial by James M. Cox of Ohio, Democratic candidate for president at the last elections, declaring that the economic breakdown in this country was due to failure to enter the League of Nations was placed today in the congressional record, on motion of Representative Garnett, Democrat, Texas. The request was supported by Republican Leader Clegg and by Democrats, and the widest publicity for the Cox declaration.

Two Cadet Aviators Are Killed in Fall

Sacramento, Cal., June 27.—(U. P.)—Cadets Harold E. Page and Joseph W. Weatherly, Mather field aviators, were killed in a fall near Visalia early today. Mather field headquarters has been notified. No details have been received. Lieutenant Hacker, accident officer, and Lieutenant Smith have started for the scene of the tragedy.

Conductor Injured When Hit by Auto

C. La Fountain, 513 Montgomery street, a conductor for the P. L. & S. Co., was struck by an unidentified automobile at Twenty-first and Washington streets at 9 o'clock this morning. He suffered from the instant the right leg and injuries to the right arm. Nurses at St. Vincents hospital, where he was taken, said he is not in a serious condition.

Youth Injured by Discharge of Gun

John Auda, 18-year-old student, was taken to Good Samaritan hospital this morning following the accidental discharge of his revolver Sunday morning while he was cleaning the weapon. The bullet entered the left side of his abdomen. Hospital attendants said the youth probably would recover.

CITY OFFERS NEW \$683,405.66 BOND ISSUE FOR SALE

Three different lots of municipal bonds, aggregating \$683,405.66, are being offered for sale by the city of Portland. The dates for opening bids on these lots are July 5, 8 and 12.

Bids will be opened July 5 at 11 o'clock for the purchase of improved bonds in the amount of \$157,405.66, bearing 6 per cent interest, payable semi-annually and to be issued in 20-year installments as desired by the purchaser. These bonds will run 10 years.

The next opening of bids, at 11 o'clock of July 8, will be for the purchase of \$28,000 in department construction bonds, the sale of which is for the construction of the slip and firm-avenue on the Oregon street, from the foot of Randolph street. These bonds will bear 5 per cent interest, payable on January 1 and July 1 of each year and to run to 1941.

The third lot, bids for which will be opened at 11 o'clock of July 12, will be \$500,000 worth of water bonds, bearing 4 per cent interest, payable semi-annually to run 20 years. The proceeds from this sale will be used for the construction of the new Bull Run headworks and construction of new mains.

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