

ONE OF WILSON'S ASSASSINS MAY BE AN AMERICAN

By Ed L. Keen

London, June 23.—(U. P.)—Investigation to determine if James O'Brien, one of the assassins of Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson, is an American, started here today.

The police received information, unverified, that O'Brien is a United States citizen. A great round-up of Sinn Fein suspects in London continued this evening. Seventeen, captured last night, who were to have been released, were held at the last minute, and others are sought.

Other prominent British officials, including Lloyd George, have been marked for assassination by an Irish rebel murder ring, the police believe today from disclosures following the murder of Sir Henry Wilson, Ulster defense chief.

POLICE SEE CONSPIRACY

The London police have captured sensational documents disclosing a conspiracy to kill several prominent personages, as well as plans for a campaign of outrages throughout England.

The inquest into Sir Henry Wilson's murder will be held Monday. The slayers of the famed field marshal were given a preliminary hearing in Westminster police court today and were remanded for a week.

Three factors led the police and military authorities to suspect that Wilson's death may have been only the first blow of a widespread murder plot against opponents of republican Ireland.

First—A quantity of arms and munitions, including handgrenades and gelatin, within a house a stone's throw

of where Sir Henry Wilson was shot down, was discovered.

ARREST 18 MEN AND WOMAN

Second—Evidence of 18 men and a woman, arrested for questioning last night.

Third—Stories of witnesses to the shooting of Wilson who agree that apparent accomplices of the assassins were in the neighborhood and attempted to divert the chase following them.

It was authoritatively stated today that the assassins, James O'Brien and James O'Connell, operated in conjunction with a large organization. Both were connected with the Irish republican army; in what capacity was not made clear.

O'Connell had been employed as a night watchman at Richmond House Terrace, the government buildings just opposite the entrance to Downing street, on which Lloyd George's residence is located. Both murderers, it was said, resided at Crofton, near the airport, for some time.

DREW HIS SWORD

London, June 23.—Like a true soldier, Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson died with his sword in his hand. His sword was found unscathed beside his body, proving that he drew as he fell under the fire of the two assassins on the doorstep of his home.

Nitro Blast From Auto Kills Three

Wellsville, Ohio, June 23.—(U. S. S.) Two men were instantly killed, three others narrowly escaped injury and three houses were badly damaged today when a consignment of nitroglycerin exploded in an automobile in a street here. One of the two victims is believed to be James Kane, an oil well shooter of Jewett, Ohio. No clue to the identity of the other victims was found. It will be impossible to find all pieces of the bodies of two of the victims.

ANTI-BONUS MEN SEE NEW HOPE IN HARDING'S MOVE

By David Lawrence,

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Washington, June 23.—President Harding's assertion of leadership during the last week in persuading the senate not to sidetrack the tariff bill for the bonus has revived the hopes of opponents of the bonus that Mr. Harding's veto message will have a much more powerful effect on senatorial opinion than was at first anticipated.

There are those on Capitol Hill who mistakenly believe Mr. Harding will sign the bonus bill. Senator James Watson of Indiana so printed in a public speech which has never been specifically contradicted and members of congress are assuming that the Indiana leader wouldn't have made the statement without some assurance.

Investigation shows that if the bill were to come to the president today, Mr. Watson would be proved a bad prophet. For the president is determined to veto the bonus bill. This correspondent has been assured so positively on this point that all doubts may be dismissed. Mr. Harding stands squarely on the position he took when the bill was up in the house. He favors postponement of the bonus if a sale tax is not enacted. The measure pending in the senate doesn't provide a sale tax and is practically the same as the measure which passed the house.

NOT AGAINST BONUS

Mr. Harding wants it understood that he isn't opposed to the bonus in principle. He favors compensation to the soldiers and sailors who fought in the late war, but insists the government finances are not in shape for an expenditure on the bonus. Representatives of the ex-service

men know, however, that if they lose their fight now they will have scant chance for another year or two to revive the issue successfully, for a deficit of \$440,000,000 which may grow to a half billion dollars stares the government in the face for the fiscal year beginning on the first of next month and ending June 30, 1923.

Government finances are such a complicated matter that they permit of wide differences of opinion and interpretation. Those members of the senate who are fighting in favor of an immediate bonus take a more rosy view of the condition of the treasury than do the officials of the treasury. The latter, together with the president, believe all effort should be concentrated on funding the public debt, while the bonus advocates insist that the funding has been so successful thus far that the bonus could be financed with little harm to the treasury's funding plan. The dispute is largely academic, in which are involved many psychological factors in the marketing of investment securities. Nobody will be able to tell accurately just how much of an effect the passage of a bonus bill would have on the funding of the public debt, or on the government's ability to sell short time securities. But the men on Capitol Hill who favor the bonus insist that their opinions are as good as anybody's, and want the bill to go ahead.

BATTLE OF WORDS

The question will finally resolve itself into a battle of words between the president and the sponsors of the bonus largely on the question of how the money is to be raised, and while the advocates of a bonus feel that today they have enough votes to pass the bonus over Mr. Harding's veto, they are not of course able to calculate the psychological effect of positive statements from Mr. Harding in the veto message. For the moment, Mr. Harding has his way in keeping the bonus from being given right of way in the senate. It was thought the bonus forces were strong enough to compel immediate action. They have a majority which is sufficient to pass the bill when it does come up for a vote, but Mr. Harding's tactics have raised considerable doubt as to the necessary two-thirds to pass the measure over a presidential veto. There are many changes possible between

now and the time of the veto message, but the setback which the advocates of the bonus got this week has strengthened Mr. Harding's determination to fight the passage of the measure in its present form.

Kelly Clansmen to Gather for Annual Reunion Saturday

The Kelly clan will hold its annual reunion Saturday at the home of J. C. Kelly, East 29th and Powell streets. Dinner will be served at 1 o'clock.

The Kelly reunion is held on the last Saturday in June each year. At that time as many as can of the descendants of Clinton and Thomas Kelly and the other Oregon pioneers of the family gather at the designated place.

There are several hundred of the Kelly descendants, most of them in Portland and its vicinity, but many in California and Washington also. Penumbra Kelly, former sheriff and United States marshal, now bailiff in Circuit Judge Morrow's court, is head of the clan at present. About 100 gather each year. Take the Woodstock car to East 39th, then walk north to Powell.

Timber Fires Near Oswego Cause Loss

Oswego, June 23.—Several timber fires have been raging in the forests west of Oswego, the greatest damage so far being sustained by the McLean Logging company in the loss of a roll-way and 300,000 feet of logs. Several

other railways were saved by hard work on the part of company employees.

SERVICES FOR PIONEER

Seattle, June 23.—(U. P.)—Funeral services for Henry Gormley, Seattle pioneer who died at his home here last night, will be held Sunday. Gormley was born in Carthage, N. Y., in

1838, coming to Seattle in 1875 where he entered the contracting business.

SUZZALO IMPROVED

Seattle, June 23.—(U. P.)—That President Henry Suzzallo of the University of Washington is almost entirely recovered from his recent illness is the report of his physician, Dr. E.

P. Fick. Suzzallo is recuperating at the Mount Baker sanitarium.

HUSBAND WINS DECREE

La Grande, June 23.—A divorce has been granted Alexander L. Wutke from Josephine W. Wutke on a cross complaint. Gladys Hale Montgomery was granted a divorce from Lewis Montgomery.

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