



PREMIER'S PLAN FACES IRELAND WHETHER OR NO

Acceptability of New Home Rule Proposal May Not be Considered Declares Official Close to Lloyd-George.

SETTLEMENT OF QUESTION LISTED SECOND TO WAR

Provision of Two Legislatures With Co-ordinating Body Believed Pleasing to Ulster and Will be Supported.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Ireland may have to accept Premier Lloyd-George's new home rule plan introduced in the house of commons Monday, whether she likes it or not, an official close to the British premier declared in an interview today.

The premier is prepared to force acceptance of the measure, this official asserted. Its passage by parliament was assured before the measure was submitted, he added.

Lloyd-George, according to the official, is "heart and soul" for the passage of some legislation which will at least start settlement of the Irish question. The premier regards this as the second in importance only to the winning of the war.

It is believed in government circles that Ulster people will accept the premier's plan providing two legislatures for southern Ireland and another for Ulster, with co-ordinating body—a national assembly. If Ulster accepts the plan and its parliament is threatened by the Sinn Fein, the "entire British army" will be available for the protection of Ulster, it was asserted.

Radicals Out of Hand.

DUBLIN, Dec. 26.—A certain element in the Sinn Fein volunteers is getting out of hand, a prominent leader of the moderate Sinn Feiners admitted in an interview today. He said this element "seems to do incalculable harm to Ireland's cause, both here and in the opinion of the world."

While the leader made no direct admission, it is believed moderate elements think the new radical faction is responsible for the attempt on the life of Viscount French, lord lieutenant of Ireland, and the raid on the newspaper, Independent.

A group of young extremists has become "restless and dissatisfied with the present policy" of the old Sinn Feiners, the speaker said.

Program Extreme.

Moderate leaders, it is known, fear the outbreaks of extremists will bring harsher acts of repression from the British government. It is understood the extremists' leaders favor a campaign of terrorism and a series of assassinations.

WOOD ALCOHOL KILLS EIGHT; THREE ARE HELD

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 26.—With eight men dead and one man critically ill as a result of drinking wood alcohol, treated with coloring and sold for whiskey, Saul Joseph, Nathan Salberg, Jacob Bronerwine and Frank Rose were arraigned in court today, charged with murder. They were all pleaded not guilty and are held without bail.

TRAIN SCHEDULES RETURNING TO NORMAL WITH DAMAGE REPAIRED, WEATHER SETTLED

Train service to the west and north approximated normal today after another three days of interruption due to washouts on both the Northern Pacific Paseo line and the O-W main line toward Portland. The first train over the Northern Pacific since Monday noon arrived in Pendleton today, followed by the passenger at 12:35. Train No. 6, on the O-W line, arrived from Portland over the main line at 11:55 a. m., after a suspension of service since 6 p. m. Wednesday.

12 YEAR OLD SWAIN LOVED BY TWO "WOMEN"; PREFERS DEATH. LIVES

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—A 12-year-old boy, who is loved by two women, today declared that he would rather die than live with them. The boy, whose name is Swain, lives in the home of Florence, who is 13, she wrote him a note:

"My dear Swain, I know you love Florence and do not love me. Do you love me, Swain? If you only knew how I love you, oh, boy! I love you so I could kiss you now. Don't tell Florence I love you or she will be mad. I hate her, but if you love her better than you do me you can have her. I love you, dear."

When Swain received the note he decided life with two "women" on his hands was not worth living. He hid in an ash can where he was found by a policeman, unconscious from cold. The note from Annie was held tightly in his little fist. When Swain was asked if he loved either girl, he shook his head. He was told he would have to make a choice between them when he went home from the hospital. "I guess I'll stay here quite a while," he concluded.

CARGO OF SUGAR IS UNLOADED IN CITY; SHORTAGE IS MET

Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Sacks are Ordered Distributed After Four Days' Ardent Inquiry; Supply Copious.

Pendleton was provided with copious quantities of sugar today when Penland Brothers received orders to unload and distribute 925 sacks which have been held here for four days while the consignees burned up wires in an effort to ascertain that the shipment was for local distribution.

For the first time in several months, merchants of the city and county today report that they have an adequate supply. Several days ago 440 sacks were unloaded and apportioned among the grocers and this just about met the back orders and Christmas demand. The 925 sacks unloaded today will be shipped as far as Walla Walla and Dayton, Wash., although the greater number will be consigned to Umatilla county.

The consignment unloaded today belonged to five wholesale houses and was a pooled order from the Utah refiners. When it arrived no one was certain that the car belonged to Pendleton and several days' effort had to be expended before it could be unloaded. Another shipment, containing 600 sacks, is due here in a few days, according to Clarence Penland, who is in charge of the sugar situation much better but fuel is moving into the city rapidly now, according to Ben Burroughs, who recently returned from the Utah mines. Local dealers, he said, do not find the demand so heavy now as during the cold snap and are able already to divert some of their cars to points more remote from the mines, where transportation was badly handicapped by the recent strike.

GETS THREE OF KIND, WITH THREE IN HAND, IT'S A FULL HOUSE

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—When three of a kind are drawn, with three in your hand it is a misdeal, but Mrs. John M. Miller, does not think so. Triplets were born to her today and she already has three. She calls it a full house.

SEVEN GERMAN LINERS HELD IN HARBOR AT N.Y.

Vessels Are Retained for Delivery to British as Soon as Arrangements for Transfer Have Been Completed.

THESE, WITH IMPERATOR, ALLOTTED BY CONFERENCE

Ships Waiting in United States Harbor Do Not Include Six to be Sold and Kept Under American Registry.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Seven former German liners are now held in New York harbor to be delivered to the British as soon as arrangements are made for their transfer, the shipping board announced today. These ships, with the Imperator, were allotted to the British by the peace conference.

The Imperator was delivered to the British recently after some delay over American oil tankers held in British ports.

The seven do not include six which will be sold by the shipping board and kept under the American registry.

HOUSE AND \$4000 GO TO MRS. BROWNFIELD

Mrs. Clara A. Brownfield, widow of the late Charles W. Brownfield, left life insurance in the sum of \$4000 and the family home on East Court street, according to provisions of his last will, filed with the county clerk today. All other property in the estate is left in equal shares to his daughter, Gladys Irene Brownfield, and son, Walter E. Brownfield. James W. Maloney is nominated as executor. The will was drawn in the presence of James H. Raley and Dr. H. H. Hattery as witnesses, in St. Anthony's hospital on December 19, 1919. Mr. Brownfield died on Monday night, December 22. The document is brief, consuming less than two pages of typewritten manuscript to give it legal force. No petition for admission to probate accompanied the will.

FEW BLOWS EXTENT OF CHRISTMAS RIOT

TACOMA, Dec. 26.—A small miner's Christmas celebration in which a few blows were exchanged, was the extent of "rioting" reported between union and non-union miners at Wilkeson, a mining town near here, late yesterday, according to reports reaching officials here today. Everything is peaceful there now. No troops will be sent to Wilkeson.

SALVATION ARMY GIVES TOYS TO 50 CHILDREN

The Christmas tree given by the Salvation Army last night, was a great success, it is reported. Fifty children were given a good toy each, one pair of stockings and other ornaments. The church was full and all in the house were treated to a sack of candy and nuts. Captain Jennie Conrad wishes to thank all those who so kindly donated their money and services.

BABY BORN AT SEA IN STEERAGE DURING STORM WINS GIFT OF \$2000

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Born in the height of a storm at sea in the steerage of the Muretania, Frances Maria Klingensmith Astley had a unique christening today. Cabin passengers donated to her \$700 and a \$2000 which was raffled for \$1300.

\$1000, ALL IN \$20 GOLD, BROUGHT FROM HIDING IN PAYMENT OF DEBT

One thousand dollars in gold, all in \$20 pieces, was deposited in a local bank today, marking the largest receipt of this kind in more than two years. Since the war with Germany, gold has been virtually out of the channels of business and \$1000 is more than is usually received in a year at one bank here. The unusual collection was brought out of hiding in payment of a debt, it is thought, and found its way to the bank from the freightman. From a knowledge of the amount of gold in circulation in the last two years, the teller believes that the gold was part of a "poke" which has been in seclusion for quite a period of time.

GERMANY SEES NO ULTIMATUM IN LAST PROTOCOL DEMAND

Usual Inspired Press Statements Are Missing; Delay May Come But Parallel of Weimer Case is Forecast.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—There are no indications in government circles today that Germany considers the allied reply to the latest German note on the protocol an ultimatum. All the usual signs preceding "crises" in Germany are missing.

The usual inspired press statements did not appear, following receipt of the allied answer demanding immediate acceptance of the protocol with the matter of delivery of marine materials to be decided later.

There may be more delays with certain members of the cabinet standing out against "concessions," but in the last analysis the situation looks much like that at Weimar last June—with ultimate signing of the protocol.

125 MINERS STRIKE, SAY PAY IS WITHHELD

DES MOINES, Dec. 26.—One hundred and twenty five miners of the Eagle mine, near here, struck today, claiming their employers refused to pay them the 14 per cent wage increase awarded by the Indianapolis was a misunderstanding, expressing the belief that union leaders will order strikers to return to work.

HOWELL JURY UNABLE TO AGREE, DISCHARGED

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 26.—Standing seven to five for conviction the jury in the second trial of Harold Howell, accused of the murder of Lillian Leuthold, was unable to agree and so reported to Judge Coke Christmas morning. The judge ordered the jury discharged. In the first trial of young Howell the jury stood eight for conviction and four for acquittal.

DECISION TO DELAY RETURN OF RAILROADS UNTIL MARCH BRINGS UP POLITICAL ISSUE, SIMULTANEOUSLY AVERTING NEAR CRISIS

PENNEY EMPLOYEES GO UP WITH 1920 EXPANSION

The establishment, on January 1, of the new J. C. Penney stores throughout the United States will result in promotion for a number of employees in the local store, it was announced today. One manager and two assistant managers will be chosen from the force in the J. C. Penney store here.

V. S. Wennersten, who was formerly manager of the Bendleton branch, will leave for Shenandoah, Pa., to become manager of one of the new stores there. He has been connected with the company here for several months.

C. Dudley will be moved to Athens to become assistant manager of that branch. Mrs. Dudley, who has conducted a dressmaking establishment here, will dispose of her business and join the Athens force. The vacancy in the store there is caused by the promotion of Geary Taylor, manager, to the management of a new store in Kirksville, Mo. Mr. Taylor was formerly in the Pendleton store. He will be succeeded as manager at Athens by W. C. Enail.

T. H. Rembolt, now manager of the shoe department in the store here, will be promoted to assistant manager, in place of Mr. Wennersten. His place will be taken by J. C. Whitehouse, who has already arrived to join the force. C. L. Noble, also a new-comer, will succeed Mr. Dudley in charge of the dry goods department.

The opening of the 100 new stores gives opportunity to the new managers to purchase a one-third interest in the business in their branch. All men chosen to be managers of new stores must have worked up from the bottom with the J. C. Penney system and the appointments are the reward of men who are considered to have made good.

THREE BANDITS HOLD ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD AT BAY, RIFLE SAFE

TACOMA, Dec. 26.—Holding the entire neighborhood at bay with revolvers three masked automobile bandits today blew the safe at the Frye & Company meat market at Buckley, Wash., a small lumber town near here, escaping with \$250 in cash.

Breaking a heavy lock, two bandits gained entrance through the front door of the store, while a third waited outside in an automobile. Apparently they were novice at the use of explosives to break the safe.

HUGE SUGAR SHIPMENT FAILS TO FILL DEMAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Although eighty million pounds of sugar were received by eastern refiners last week from Cuba, there seems to be no relief in the shortage on the retail market. Last week's shipments were four times greater than the preceding week, three times greater than those of a week ago. It takes only a few days to put the refined article on the market but grocers say they are still unable to buy.

RELATIONSHIP TO NEW, U. S. SENATOR, PROBED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—An alleged tooth postponed the time when Harry New, on trial here for murder, will know his fate. District Attorney Woolwine owned the tooth. It has been bothering him for a week. Woolwine arose during the proceedings today and told the court he could not stand the pain any longer. The court adjourned out of sympathy.

Fate Decision Distant

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—Harry New, accused of killing his sweetheart Frieda Lesser, may not know his fate until New Year's. This was indicated today when the court opened after allowing only a single day for celebration of the Christmas season. Defense attorneys stated they still have a number of witnesses to be called. There will be chiefly New's jailmates who have been in close touch with him, all testifying to support the insanity plea.

CEMETERY NEAR PARIS CHOSEN FOR U. S. DEAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Bodies of American dead buried outside the zone of armies in France, which are to be returned to the United States will be buried in a cemetery at Suresnes near Paris, the war department today announced. The bodies outside the zone of armies may be returned to the United States when desired by relatives. All bodies of American soldiers buried in Europe outside of France may be returned to the United States for permanent burial in national cemeteries or for disposition by relatives when so desired.

NORTHCLIFFE PRAISE OF PREMIER, SUDDEN TURN

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Some political observers saw in the unanimously laudatory attitude assumed by the Northcliffe press toward Lloyd George's Irish proposal possible rapprochement between the great publisher and the premier. Northcliffe papers are profuse in praise of the premier's plan. Heretofore these papers have been bitter in attacks on the premier, following Northcliffe's break with him during the peace conference.

WITNESS DESCRIBES HOW HALF BROTHERS FOUGHT DEATH DUEL

GREEN RIVER, Wyo., Dec. 26.—With his life-blood gushing from a wound that had severed the femoral artery, Joe Starts lifted himself to a sitting position, took steady aim and sent a bullet through the heart of the man responsible for his death-wound, Edward Karel, his half-brother. As Karel fell, Starts fired a second time, putting another bullet with in two inches of the already dead man's heart. Starts then collapsed and within a minute or two was dead from hemorrhage.

SUGAR BOARD ASKS DELAY IN SIGNING OF McNARY BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The sugar equalization board today requested that President Wilson withhold signature of the McNary sugar bill until a paper explaining some features of it is filed and filed with him. It was stated at the white house today.

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UNIONS WERE ON VERGE OF DEMANDING IMMEDIATE PAY INCREASES DUE TO FAILURE OF H. C. O. L. TO DROP; HEADS WILL MEET MONDAY TO DECIDE QUESTION OF POSTPONING CLAIMS.

Washington, Dec. 26.—President Wilson's decision to turn the railroads back to their owners March 1 brought into prominence two phases of the already complicated railroad problem. First the president's action apparently postponed a "near crisis" brought on by requests of railroad workers for more money with the demand that they receive an answer to these requests before the roads pass out of the government's hands.

Second, the railroad question has apparently been made a political issue. The two phases are interwoven since the railroad workers threaten to carry their agitation for continuation of government control to the ballot box. Until Wednesday night when the president's proclamation was issued, the workers have gone on the assumption that the roads would be turned by January 1. Some of them were actively pressing demands for increases before that date. Now that March 1 has been set for the return, two months are left for negotiation.

Decide Action Monday

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Heads of all railroad unions met here Monday to decide their future action on demands for wage increases now before the railroad administration. It was announced today at the American Federation of Labor. The question of whether workers will wait until March 1 to take action to force compliance of their demands will be considered.

NEW TRIAL LOOKS LIKE THAW CASE PARALLEL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—Even though Harry New may be saved from the gallows or prison he may not win freedom. Should the jury find that New killed Frieda Lesser but that he was insane, observers agree there is every indication that an effort will be made to send him to some institution for the criminally insane.

The New case may parallel the Harry Thaw case, for New's defense seems well financed and he has attorneys with the ability to wage a long, hard fight from most any angle.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—Reading of depositions was resumed today by the defense at the trial of Harry New, charged with the murder of Frieda Lesser, his sweetheart. New came in to the court even more stolid and apparently indifferent than in the past days. He nodded to his mother and half sister and then took his seat. He did not smile.

Court room gossip was spread by word passed around that Burger, New's mother, is anxious to prosecute the witness who testified in the case for alleged perjury.

"I am about ready to ask for a perjury warrant on the witness," Mrs. Burger stated when asked regarding the report. "There has been some sharp conflicting testimony."

JUST A FEW OF THE THOUSANDS OF BARRELS OF KENTUCKY WHISKY ON LONDON DOCKS AWAITING DISTRIBUTION TO ENGLISH BUYERS.



The Prince of Wales raised a laugh when he remarked at a recent banquet in London that he was glad to be back in a country where one did not have to pretend to be "drunk." It he acquired a taste for American whiskey during his visit here he will have no trouble pampering it. This photograph, taken at West India docks, shows some of the thousands of barrels of Kentucky whiskey which have been discharged at the port of London and are waiting distribution to English buyers.

THE WEATHER FORECAST. Tonight and Saturday fair.