

IRISH VOTE ON TREATY DELAYED

Pact Introduced for Ratification Today But Ballot Before Tuesday Unlikely.

Dublin, Dec. 19.—(By Associated Press)—The Dail Eireann, which met shortly before noon today and began consideration of motions for and against ratifications of the Anglo-Irish treaty, adjourned at one o'clock until 3.30 p. m. There was every indication that the speech making would continue through tomorrow.

Dublin, Dec. 19.—(By Associated Press)—The Dail Eireann began at 11:27 o'clock this morning its public session for consideration of the Anglo-Irish peace treaty. Every seat in the hall was taken when the speaker, Professor John MacNeill, called the meeting to order.

Griffith Moves Adoption
Adoption of the treaty was moved by Arthur Griffith, foreign minister in the Dail cabinet and signer of the London agreement.

Commandant McKeon of county Longford, one of the best known of the Irish republican army leaders, seconded the Griffith motion, saying:

"The Irish people want substance, not shadows."

Immediately after the meeting began argument arose as to whether the document introduced by Eamon DeValera, the republican president, at the private meeting of the Dail last week should be introduced at the public session. It transpired that the document

in question was an alternative proposed peace agreement drawn up by DeValera.

Question of Life
Speaker MacNeill said Mr. DeValera had requested that the document be regarded as confidential until he put forward his own proposal in the public session. Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins protested, but the speaker said he could not allow debate on this point, and Mr. Griffith then moved the ratification of the treaty.

Speaking to his motion, Mr. Griffith said this was not a question of the mere rights of the people; it was a question of the lives and fortunes of the people of Ireland, and he was not going to hide from the Irish people that President DeValera's alternative proposal would mean:

"Not once did we demand recognition of the Irish republic, knowing it would have been impossible to secure it," he said, referring to the London agreement.

Concessions Outlined
He read a letter which had been received from Prime Minister Lloyd-George early in the negotiations, saying the government proposed making Ireland co-equal with the other British dominions and to secure for Ireland a place in the league of nations. The letter also promised the withdrawal of the naval and military forces from Ireland when the agreement was ratified.

Mr. Griffith said the oath of allegiance agreed upon was one "which any Irishman can take with honor."

Hearty applause was given him as he resumed his seat.

President DeValera then rose to move the rejection of the treaty

"I am against this treaty because that will not end the conflict between Great Britain and Ireland," he declared. "I am against the treaty because I am for peace, not war."

DeValera vigorously denounced the treaty as "subverting the public." He dwelt at length upon the allegiance feature of the document, inveighing in impassioned

tones against what he declared would be the ignominy of the Irish people taking the oath of allegiance to the British king. He paid tribute, however, to the delegates who signed the pact, saying what they did "was in their excess of love for Ireland."

Mr. DeValera, continuing his argument for rejection, declared: "If King George came over to open the Irish parliament, you would see black flags in the streets of Dublin."

He likened the treaty to the act of union, declaring it would lead to endless strife.

Summing up he asserted the treaty was entirely inconsistent with Ireland's position and that if it were ratified, Ireland would continue subservient to England.

Cries of "no" from supporters of the treaty followed this declaration.

Austin Stack seconded President DeValera's motion, saying that he stood for "complete independence and nothing short of it."

Count Plunkett also spoke in support of the motion for rejection.

During his address President DeValera said if a provisional government were set up by Griffith and Collins in Dublin castle it would be regarded by the people as a usurpation. They had been chosen by British power as the authority in Ireland, he declared.

Mr. DeValera said this was the moment when a "grand police" was possible and under it King George would come to Dublin.

Cries of "no, no" from his supporters.

There were loud cries of "no" when Mr. DeValera said the Irish army would be his majesty's army and the Irish ministers his majesty's ministers.

The republican president asked if the Dail representatives had been "lured" when they said the people at the election had demanded a republic.

Theft of Bread Brings Reprimand

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 19.—In stealing when you're hungry there is a moral, is the judgment of Chief of Police Cadin of this city. With father, brothers and sisters—indeed, the whole family out of work, with an empty cupboard and no prospect of even a loaf of bread to relieve that gnawing sensation in the stomach, two youngsters—Philip and Ezekiel, 17 and 14, respectively, of the Logash family here—were caught while stealing bread. Their pitiable story of "want" at home appealed to the chief, who, after investigation, liberated the youths with a warning not to steal again.

Syndicate Offer to Soviets.
London, Dec. 19.—It is reported from Moscow that a syndicate has offered to organize a Persian-Dutch company to work the Russian oil industry, guaranteeing that the work in the southeast areas will be on the same level as in 1916 within three years.

Foreign War Vets Will Elect Officers Dec. 21

Election of officers for the coming year will be held Wednesday night at a meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, in the veterans' room of the armory, December 21, at eight o'clock.

James S. Gay, commander of the state department of the organization, with Roy R. Knox, state adjutant, and Senior National Vice Commander Jones will be present at the meeting to make their annual inspection of the post.

The Salem post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was organized last spring, C. F. Hageman being elected president. Its membership includes service men who have served on foreign soil in any war in which this country has participated.

The meeting Wednesday night is expected to be of importance for the continued growth of the post here, and there has been a great deal of speculation as to who will be elected commander.

An electrical instrument has been produced to measure three one-billionths of an inch. The apparatus is so enormously sensitive that it can be used only between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning, when there is a minimum of mechanical and electrical disturbance.

Emulates Mother Eve; Is Arrested

Detroit, Dec. 19.—"They have nothing on me," says "the Princess La France," with every-day name of Agnes Blackell. And that's right, say the police, "she had nothing on."

Agnes was arrested by Harry La Rue, detective, on an indecency charge. At a 15-foot range he saw what "came off" before 700 men in a smoker in Bricklayers' hall.

Agnes, he said, came out dressed in about 500 spangles and a pair of pink silk stockings. After fifteen minutes all that remained of the costume were the stockings.

Agnes is being held for trial in \$1000 bail.

John D. Jr. Turns Out "Regular Guy"

New York, Dec. 19.—John D. Rockefeller Jr., heir to the world's largest fortune, proved himself a real "fellow" among reporters in an interview granted recently, following his return from China and Japan. After answering and evading questions shot at him from all sides, he consented to face the camera in company with the news hounds.

"If they are not afraid of their reputations I am willing," he said, and he sat down in a chair beside an office table while the twenty odd reporters grouped themselves behind him.

Two news photographers snapped flashlights of the group.

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