

GOVERNMENT ASKS LEGAL TANGLE BE STRAIGHTENED OUT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Asserting that there is "an apparent irreconcilable conflict between the doctrine announced by the supreme court in its recent decision defining the suitability and status of the urgency fleet corporation as a government agency," and "the Nettle rule" established by the court in a number of prior decisions, the government has filed a petition asking for a hearing.

It is pointed out in the petition that "the fleet corporation in its own capacity and not as representing the United States has no assets but has enormous debts," which the court stated "are its debts and not the debts of the United States."

It is explained there are hundreds of such claims pending against it for sums aggregating more than \$100,000,000, "and the court is asked whether all payments thereon from treasury funds must be suspended."

The government also wants to know whether funds derived from the sale of ships can be applied by the fleet corporation to the payment of damages claimed against it, or whether the money belongs to the United States.

As the opinion will become the guide for United States district courts in dealing with hundreds of suits throughout the country, the government asks for a re-argument as a means of preventing "many future appeals and much litigation, apparently inevitable."

FORUM DESIRES ACTION

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Right at the time of the defeat of the elevator provision the Non-Partisan league was born, stated Mr. Turner. The radical element organized and the movement spread like wildfire. In the 1917 session of the legislature a bill was proposed which was merely a rewriting of the state constitution. The bill was drawn up by the leaguers and eliminated old sections of the constitution providing for a heavy penalty for the misapplication of school funds, and for the teaching of patriotism and morals in the school. The bill also proposed that the governor be elected and that he have supreme power to appoint all officers in state, county and township offices.

In 1917 stated Mr. Turner the house was controlled by the league and the senate was controlled by the anti-league element. They opposed each other on every point. In 1919, however, the league came into control of everything and "then is when they shot it to us in big doses," stated Turner.

Taxes Boosted

When the league got control they forgot their former program and taxes were increased from \$1,600,000 in 1919 to \$3,600,000 in 1921. The Bank of North Dakota was instituted and a bill passed providing for the deposit of all state funds in the bank. The political leaders controlled the bank and money could be borrowed by any league exponent without good security and could be used to finance any scheme.

The Scandinavian-American bank was established and was financed by the Bank of North Dakota and it in turn furnished the backing for the Homebuilders' Association which built 250 homes for working men. The cost of the homes was estimated at \$4500 each. They actually cost \$7000, but courts have recently decided that the state will have to bear the \$3000 loss on each of the 250 homes, or nearly \$1,000,000.

The state mill at Drake was established and has been losing \$20,000 per year since its establishment according to Mr. Turner.

Mr. Turner also went over the defeat of Senator McCumber for the republican nomination and attributed it to the interference of democrats anxious for the election of O'Connor who registered in the primaries as a republican so that they might nominate Frazier and thereby receive the votes of republicans opposed to him, in the final election.

He thanked the Chamber of Commerce and the audience for the opportunity to speak and for the hospitality accorded him while in Medford.

DRUM FIRE TO GAIN BONUS

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must appeal to the judgment for a revision of the views of a year ago, he said, adding that the government could meet every dollar this bill will call for without an additional tax levy and without affecting in the slightest degree the refunding of any unpaid short time obligations.

Senator McCumber argued that the

funds necessary for the financing of the bonus legislation could be obtained from the refunded foreign debt and that if the refunding were not completed when it became effective, the interest on the British debt, which he said the British government already had planned to pay, would be sufficient.

In this connection he declared that to his mind there had been an unnecessary delay in funding the foreign obligations, adding that there should be a settlement with the principal debtors, Great Britain, France and Italy, by next January 1.

Total \$3,845,000,000

As to the cost of the legislation Mr. McCumber estimated this at a total of \$3,845,000,000, spread over forty years. For the next calendar year, he placed the cost at \$77,410,589, increased to \$95,177,720 for 1924, and decreased to \$73,100,962 in 1925. The cost would run into several hundred millions in 1926, when the veterans could call on the government for loans on the adjusted service certificates, but he said that by 1930 the cost annually would drop to \$21,000,000, with only a few millions thereafter until 1943 when the certificates would become due.

Explaining the provisions of the bill as reported, he said the cash provision had been eliminated except in the case of veterans entitled to \$50 or less with the total of these payments estimated at \$16,000,000 to be paid next year and that in its place had been substituted a certificate plan with loan privileges.

Satisfactory to Soldiers

The next plan, he declared, is the vocational training and under which the government would advance the amount due soldiers on the basis of \$1 a day for domestic service and \$1.25 a day for foreign service, to be applied toward his vocational training. He final option is the farm or home aid by which the sum due the veteran would be advanced to him as might be necessary to be applied toward the purchase price of a home or a farm.

The bill as reported is satisfactory to the soldiers, continued Mr. McCumber, it ought not to be materially changed.

"Twenty millions given to charity to Russia; \$25,000,000 to save Colombian sentiment; \$20,000,000 for ship subsidy and not a ripple of comment; we talk of \$125,000,000 for good roads, or two or three hundred million to assist railroads all in a single year, as if they amounted to nothing. Why on earth then, should we approach this soldiers' compensation bill as though it were an obligation requiring a special tax levy or as one endangering the refunding of short time obligations?"

IRISH LEADER IS KILLED

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there were expressions of profound grief and amazement that such a tragic and untimely end could have come to the military genius of the new regime. He had barely reached the prime of life, being only 31 years old.

The news was all the more shock-

ing coming after the news of the death of Arthur Griffith, president of the Irish Eireann cabinet, who was considered Collins' intellectual counterpart in the arduous task of setting up the new-free state government.

The Dublin newspapers paid elaborate tribute to the slain leader and most of them in their comments on his death pointed to dire forebodings for Ireland's future.

DUBLIN, Aug. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—A national funeral with full military honors will be accorded to Michael Collins. His body will lie in state prior to interment in the Glasnevin cemetery where Arthur Griffith was buried a few days ago.

Sorry Day for Ireland

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—"It's a sorry day for Ireland."

It was the choked voice of Patrick Collins, brother of Michael Collins, when informed of the Irish leader's assassination.

Patrick Collins is a sergeant on the Chicago police force.

"I can't say it is as much of a shock to me as it might be," he said.

"We have been expecting it daily and so had Mike, for he wrote me not two weeks ago that any day we might get this news. But he wrote me that if I did get the news that he had been killed to know that he had died like a Collins, and fighting for Ireland. Where did the assassination take place?"

"At Bandon, county Cork," he was told.

"It was there, was it?" he said.

"Well, Bandon is just 12 miles from where we boys were born. We were born at Clonakilly. Many's the time Mike and I have walked to Bandon as boys. Never would I believe anybody in that town would kill my brother. If it was a real Irishman that killed Mike, I would say the Irish race stands discredited. I know it wasn't. It was some dirty blackguard not fit to wipe his boots. When this trouble has gone from Ireland, I guess I can say without boasting that the name of Michael Collins will be high on the list of martyrs that have fought and died for the 'ould sod.'"

DUBLIN, Aug. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—It was announced today that in view of the assassination of Michael Collins, the Diel Eireann will be summoned immediately, probably meeting on Saturday of the present week.

Shot from Ambush

LONDON, Aug. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The assassination of Michael Collins at Bandon, Cork, yesterday, comes directly on the heels of the announcement of the Irish irregulars of a policy of ambushes and raids in their fight against the free state government.

Collins was shot down from ambush only a few hours after he had been given an ovation by the resi-

dents of Cork city, which was freedom less than two weeks by military order Collins' command. The place where he fell is part of the constituency which he represented in the Diel Eireann.

News of the outrage, only meager details of which have been received here, came too late for publication in the morning newspapers, the majority of which comment on the breaking up of the organized warfare in southern Ireland.

Ulster Aroused

BELFAST, Aug. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—All Ulster has been profoundly stirred by the news of Michael Collins' assassination. The free state commander-in-chief was looked upon here as a more forceful personality than Arthur Griffith, and many declare he had a greater hold on the people, including those who fully appreciated the latter's cleverness.

The tragedy occurred on the anniversary of the murder in 1920 at Lisburn of District Inspector Swanzy, which was followed by one of the fiercest riots in the history of Belfast and the burning of 300 houses at Lisburn.

The Irish News says the assassination will cause profound consternation among the Irish people, to whom Collins had endeared himself by his sterling qualities of heart and mind and who looked upon him as their mainstay in the council chamber against the evil "conspiracy" which has befallen Ireland.

Battle of Propaganda

LONDON, Aug. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The assassination of Michael Collins was preceded in Dublin by a kind of battle of propaganda, both the provisional government and representatives of the irregular army posting placards which set forth their respective aims and claims.

Americans reaching London after attending the funeral of Arthur Griffith assembled about these posters. One manifesto charged that the provisional government had secretly dispatched an emissary to the south to assassinate Eamon DeValera. Side by side with this was another placard in big letters, an ironical interpretation of a manifesto which the enemies of the free state imagined as being sent out by Collins and the members of his staff. It was worded

something like this:

"Men of Ireland, your king and your country call you. You who have fought so bravely for the cause of the empire in Egypt, India and elsewhere, now are needed again for the defense of the empire."

Another and longer poster apparently placed by governmental officials dealt in detail with the destruction caused by the irregulars throughout Ireland.

It argued that the irregular movement was destroying every reasonable hope for Ireland's prosperity and happiness and appealed to the citizens generally to stand solidly behind the provisional government.

Major Dalton Wounded

LONDON, Aug. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—An Evening News dispatch from Dublin today says it is believed Michael Collins was accompanied by seven free state officers, including Major General Dalton when the free state chief was killed from ambush last night at Bandon. Several soldiers, the dispatch says, are believed to have been killed or wounded during the attack on Collins' party.

A Central News dispatch from

Dublin says it is reported that Major General Dalton himself was slightly injured during the fight in which Collins was killed.

LONDON, Aug. 23.—Eamon DeValera has become a cavalryman and consequently is more elusive than ever, says the correspondent of the Daily Mail, with the national army in the field. The republican leader and all the members of his contingent are reported to be mounted on hunters, he adds.

DeValera is believed to be either in the neighborhood of Fermoy, county Cork, where it is known he has friends, or in the Kerry hills where a large number of his followers are concentrated.

DUBLIN, Aug. 23.—The guerilla activities of the irregulars continue, a party of nationals having been ambushed near Clonmel today and two of them were killed. Irregulars sniped national troops in the Sligo court house and there was a brisk exchange of fire but no casualties. Great activities on the part of the nationals followed and two of the prominent rebel leaders, the Harmondon brothers, were arrested.

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LIONEL BARRYMORE in "THE MASTER MIND" and MARY PICKFORD with KING BAGGOTT in the 12-year old picture "GOING STRAIGHT"—a tragedy in 1910—a scream in 1922.