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SINN FEIN PROCLAIMS IRISH REPUBLIC FIRST 27TH DIVISION UNIT SAILS FOR HOME

IRISH ASSEMBLY DEMANDS BRITISH TROOPS EVACUATE AS IT PROCLAIMS REPUBLIC

Only Half of Members of Sinn Fein Parliament Present—Rest in Prison.

NO OBSTACLES RAISED.

British Tacitly Consent to Gathering in Dublin Mansion House.

DUBLIN, Jan. 21 (Associated Press).—The Sinn Fein Assembly met at the Mansion House this afternoon. The Assembly stood while a declaration of independence was read announcing the establishment of an Irish Republic and demanding the evacuation of Ireland by the British garrison.

Probably no country except Ireland could present an episode as remarkable as the assembly of the "Dall Eireann" (Gaelic for Irish Parliament) which was called to order in Dublin's ancient mansion-house this afternoon.

The last obstacle to convening of the first Irish Parliament was removed today when it was officially announced that all restrictions on public meetings had been lifted.

About half the Sinn Feiners elected to membership in the British Parliament participated in the other half being in various English prisons, charged with addition, or merely held on suspicion under the Defense of the Realm Act. The Sinn Feiners met under the shadow of Dublin Castle, where presides Field Marshal Viscount French, the first Viceroy in many years to give Ireland a purely military Government. They met with his full knowledge and tacit consent to take measures which are purely additional and in direct violation of explicit law.

This is one paradox. Another is that these Sinn Feiners, elected by about half of the voters in Ireland on a platform of independence from the British Empire, were chosen members of the British Parliament, but specifically refused to recognize that body and to call themselves members of the British Parliament. They occupy Mansion House by the permission of the Lord Mayor of Dublin, who himself is a Home Ruler, but not so much of a separatist that he does not expect to accept what most of his predecessors have accepted—a knighthood from the British Government.

Today's programme in "Independence Hall" differed in one respect from the ceremonies of 1776 in Philadelphia. They were carried out in the Irish language, which is virtually a dead tongue, so dead that the Sinn Feiners have been obliged to rehearse their parts and will be compelled to lapse occasionally into boy-cottled English terms because they cannot find Irish words to fit modern parliamentary procedure.

Ireland is a country of the unexpected, but no one predicts any trouble or disorder. The revolutionary flag floats quite freely over the houses of Sinn Feiners in Dublin. Members of the party expect protection from the authorities of the nation whom they have looked to the United States for sympathy and help, but now they think they do not command American support. They do not talk of, and apparently do not contemplate violence.

GAMBLERS HAVE PERMITS TO CARRY PISTOLS IN N. Y.

Get Them From Suburban and Up-State Judges, the Police Declare.

The fact that professional gamblers are given permits to carry revolvers in order to defend themselves against bandits who follow them around and try to separate them violently from their bankrolls was established in the West Side Police Court today when Arnold Rothstein, Benjamin Lane and eighteen others taken in a raid at No. 391 West 57th Street early Sunday morning were arraigned. Assistant District Attorney Smith asked for an adjournment until Friday and his request was granted.

Two policemen were shot in the raid. Rothstein had a revolver with three chambers empty, and Lane had a revolver fully loaded. Both men displayed revolver permits. Both deny firing the shots which wounded the policemen.

The shots were fired through a door, and the defense of the gamblers is that they thought the policemen were armed hold-up men.

Inspector Henry announced this afternoon that Rothstein got his permit in June, 1918, from a Judge in Nassau County, and that Lane's permit is signed by a Judge in Saratoga County.

DOUBLE-BREADED COAT IS BACK; BLAMED ON WAR

Sudden Large Left Manufacturers With Large Supplies of Material, It Is Explained.

The premature display by a retail clothier of the double breasted coat in which American designers plan to wrap the male members of the family next spring was discussed today by the National Association of Manufacturing Clothiers, in twenty-third annual convention assembled at Hotel Astor, and was voted to take action.

It will be remembered that immediately after the country was warned of the double breasted coat the sovereign States of America began tumbling over themselves to vote the Nation dry. A committee will take up with the retailers the matter of lifting the ban on premature displays, to the end that each merchant may decide for himself. Attendance at today's session was small. Samuel Wolf of Rochester presided. Retail stocks, it was announced, are 25 per cent. above normal. The double-breasted coat is coming back, it was confessed, because the sudden termination of the war left large supplies of material on the hands of the manufacturers.

CAMDEN GIRLS CALM IN FIRE. Lives in Peril, They March From Burning Soap Plant.

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 21.—Loss of property valued at more than \$200,000 was caused today when fire destroyed the soap plant of E. J. Davenson & Sons here.

Many lines of girl employees were endangered, but believing they were in a fire, they marched out calmly while the building burned.

NEW YORK'S 27TH DIVISION COMING HOME FROM WAR; ONE BATTERY ON THE WAY

All Units of Gen. O'Ryan's Command Ordered to Prepare to Embark, Washington Announces—30th and 37th Also to Return.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The 27th, 30th and 37th Divisions, including all attached organizations, have been instructed to prepare for embarkation home, the War Department announced today.

The 102d Trench Mortar Battery of the 27th Division and the 316th Field Artillery of the 31st Division already have sailed. All other units of the 27th are now on priority and will be embarked as shipping becomes available.

The 17th Division comprises former National Guard troops from New York; the 30th, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina, and the 37th, Ohio and West Virginia.

The 27th Division is commanded by Major Gen. John P. O'Ryan, to whom the Distinguished Service Medal has just been awarded.

THREE SHIPS BRING 5,800 SOLDIERS AND NAVAL MEN

George Washington Lands 3,550 Men From France at Hoboken Army Piers.

Three of the fourteen ships scheduled to arrive in New York today with 14,784 soldiers and sailors returning from the war came into port today—the George Washington, the De Kalb and the Giuseppe Verdi, with a total of 5,800, many of them New York men. A number of the other transports have been delayed by storms and may be several days late. The Manchuria, with 4,537 officers and men abroad, reported by wireless that she would be in tomorrow morning. The Celtic, carrying 1,557 uniformed men, also reported that she would arrive tomorrow. The battleships New Hampshire and Louisiana, bringing the 59th Coast Artillery, formerly the 13th National Guard Coast Defense command of Brooklyn, also are delayed and may not arrive until Thursday.

The George Washington brought 3,550 army and navy officers and men, nurses and army workers. The George Washington, formerly a big merchant ship of the Hamburg-American line, was the vessel which took President Wilson and his party to France and is scheduled to bring the President back again, leaving Brest on or about Feb. 12.

The transport left Brest on Jan. 12 and was buffeted by storms all the way across the Atlantic. Among her passengers was David Harrel, a special representative of the State Department, who spent fifteen months in Spain and France and is bringing to Washington to make his report as an observer.

Gen. John Chamberlain of the regular army, who commanded the 27th Division, was on the advance to Metz, a passenger on the George Washington. He was in charge of the 27th division that threw those big shots into

Mme. Lebaudy, Freed of Killing Her Husband, and Jacqueline



GERMANS VOTE FOR REPUBLIC; CONTROL BY REDS IS DOOMED

Assembly to Be Held at Weimar to Avoid Meeting in Prussia.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 21.—The new German National Assembly will meet at Weimar, Capital of the Grand Duchy of Saxe-Weimar-Eisenach, according to the Berlin Lokal-Anzeiger. This was decided upon in a conference between the German Government representatives and the Prussian Ministry, after they had agreed that the session ought to be held in a non-Prussian town.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Early returns from the German elections are interpreted here to signify a promising prospect for the establishment of a fairly stable German Administration at an early date.

The Majority Socialists and the German Democrats, who are the sponsors of the old Radical Party, apparently will go into the Constituent Assembly with a big lead over the Independent Socialists.

Friedrich von Payer, former Vice-Chancellor and leader of the Democrats, and the Socialist leaders, Ebert and Scheidemann, demonstrated their ability to work together in the old Reichstag. They can also count on Konstantin Fehrenbach, the Socialist leader, as an ally in their efforts to institute a Government with a basis of popular support.

Had the elections brought in two fairly evenly balanced Socialist groups with an insignificant representation from the moderate and non-socialist elements, as was feared at

MME. LEBAUDY EXONERATED FOR KILLING HER HUSBAND; WILL RETURN HOME TO-NIGHT

Grand Jury in Presentment to Court Announces Investigation Does Not Warrant Indictment—Accused Woman, Overjoyed by the News, Leaves Jail.

Mme. Marguerite Lebaudy was released from the Nassau County (L. I.) Jail at Mineola late this afternoon, following the report of the Grand Jury that they could return "no indictment" against her.

The Grand Jurors filed into the courtroom at Mineola soon after 3 o'clock. Supreme Court Justice Aspinwall was waiting for them. To him Foreman Pearsall handed their presentment.

"We have," said the presentment, "thoroughly investigated the crime as charged against Marguerite Lebaudy, have examined all the witnesses who appeared before us and have gone carefully over the scene of the crime. At the conclusion of a most thorough investigation we can return no indictment."

Judge Aspinwall, it was announced, signed the formal release without delay.

At 3:15 o'clock Sheriff Phineas Seaman was waiting in person for the official papers. The good news had gone ahead of him to the jail, however, and was bristling. Mme. Lebaudy by the Sheriff's wife.

"Within half an hour," Sheriff Seaman said, "I hope to have Mme. Lebaudy and Jacqueline in the automobile with me and headed for Phoenix Lodge."

Mme. Lebaudy and little Jacqueline heard the good news together in the residential part of the jail, not far from the court house.

The woman was overjoyed by the good news. "Oh, thank God! Thank God!" she said. She laughed, cried and then swooned.

Jacqueline was quite as unimpressed, quite as unimpressed, as she had been by each succeeding change of scene in the tragedy which removed her father from the world and brought her mother to jail.

Arrangements for Mme. Lebaudy's return to Phoenix Lodge, an inn immediately, Mrs. Seaman, wife of the Sheriff, who had been Mme. Lebaudy's hostess more than a year, urged mother and daughter to "stay another night."

"As to the immediate future," Mme. Lebaudy said, "I have had no time to make plans. My first feeling is one of thankfulness to the jurors for their consideration, to District Attorney Weeks for the spirit of fairness he displayed toward me from the beginning, to Harry W. Moore, who has been my friend and brother as well as attorney, to the people of Westbury and their steadfast confidence and support, and above all, to Father McGinnis of St. Brigids Church at Westbury. Many others believed in me, I know, because they felt that Father McGinnis would not champion the cause of a vicious woman."

The people of Mineola and vicinity took the finding for granted. They made little fuss over it. They had been saying for more than a week that the Grand Jury would never indict and that, if it should do so, no petit jury would convict.

Lebaudy and his wife had been living apart, he at various hotels in Manhattan and Mme. Lebaudy and Jacqueline, thirteen, at Phoenix Lodge.

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Custard Bread & Butter..... 25c
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