SINN FEIN PLANS RISING MORE SERIOUS THAN FIRST

Easter Week Horror Perhaps to Be Repeated if Secret Order Is Obeyed.

PARNELL POLICY DENOUNCED

Plot Now Is to Use Armed Force at Time When England Is Least Prepared to Combat It—Hun Aid Expected.

BY DAVID BOLGER, P. P.

(International News Bureau.)

[The following is a Sinn Fein circular that was recently issued by the order of the body of Irishmen known in Ireland as the "Executive Irish Volunteers," under the date of May 22, 1917.]

DUBLIN, IRELAND, December 14.—

"(Secret.)

"OGLAIG NA H-EIREANN.

"(Irish Volunteers.)

"An all-Ireland convention of the Irish Volunteers has been held recently, and a new executive elected. The principal duty of this executive will be to carry on the reorganization of the Irish Volunteers throughout the country, and put them in a position to complete by force of arms the work begun by the men of Easter week.

"In order that we may not be hampered in our next effort by any misunderstanding such as occurred on the last occasion, as a result of conflicting orders, the Volunteers are notified that the only orders they are to obey are those of their own executive. All orders of the executive will be signed 'For and on behalf of the executive.' This does not apply to matters of detail pertaining to organization, training and communication, which will, of course, be signed by the respective directors.

"They are at liberty and are encouraged to join any other movement that aims at making Ireland a separate and independent nation.

"They are reminded, however, of what occurred when Parnell induced the Fenians to fall into line with him—a fusion that resulted in the almost complete abandonment of physical force as a policy.

"They are warned, therefore, against devoting too much time or energy to any movement other than their own, but to help them solely for the reason that they may enable them to spread the principles of their own organization, which is the one to which they owe and must give first allegiance.

"Each Volunteer is expected to do his own part under the present difficult circumstances towards making himself an efficient soldier of the national army, and each county is expected to see to the training and arming of its own men. It must also see that well-defined lines of communication are kept with the surrounding counties.

WAGE WAR ON ENEMY WHEN MOMENT COMES

"The executive, of course, are in the last degree responsible for all this work, and they call with confidence on all officers and men to co-operate with them in carrying it out as speedily as possible. They guarantee in return that they will not issue an order to take the field until they consider that the force is in a position to wage war on the enemy with reasonable hopes of success.

"Volunteers as a whole may consequently rest assured that they will not be called upon to take part in any forlorn hope.

"Let each one get to his work at once, and when the executives are satisfied that the right moment has come—that is, when they are strongest and the enemy are weakest—they will give the order to strike, and then let it be done relentlessly.

"By order

"EXECUTIVE IRISH VOLUNTEERS.

"Dated 22nd May, 1917."

All this language is very clear. It points in the most emphatic and distinct way to one thing, and one thing only—rebellion. Rebellion, perhaps, in a contingency. It is not difficult to guess the contingency. It is this—that if Germany can land a few thousand rifles in Ireland, our brave lads are to seize the rifles and march to attack England's power. The landing of arms by Germany, in conjunction with the Sinn Fein leaders, was tried before; I believe it was tried twice. The first time was prior to Easter week, 1916. The arms were sent, with the ship that carried them, to the bottom of the sea. The second time was some time in the spring of this year, when, suddenly and without warning, a number of Sinn Fein leaders were arrested and deported. At any rate, the reason alleged for the deportation was, I understand, that there was such a concerted attempt.

The third time will come. That is certain.

Germany will again try to use Ireland as a pawn in the game. Germany cares nothing for Ireland save to use her. The Kaiser will use or abuse Ireland as he used and abused Belgium—when and how it suits him.

What will happen when the third time comes along?

Our poor, brave, misguided lads will no doubt get their orders and act upon them.

They will fight, and fight gallantly. But with what an awful result!

They will be mown down in thousands by England's bombs, machine guns and artillery. Full many a widow will mourn her husband, many a mother her child.

And the destruction of civilians and civilian property will be immeasurable.

In the Easter rising of 1916 the number of civilian casualties was 300 killed and 700 wounded.

If there is another rising they may well be ten times that. Nobody can view without alarm the elaborate military preparations going on in our midst. It is not for mere amusement that English regiments are being sent to Ireland, with their horrible accompaniment of artillery, airplanes and tanks. Every district will be isolated; communication by rail, motor, telephone or telegraph cut off. Trade will be at a standstill; hunger and suffering will ensue. And then the awful aftermath.

RESPONSIBILITY RESTS ON CATHOLIC LEADERS

Listen to what the Irish Catholic has to say:

"On the prelates, priests and parents of Catholic Ireland rests to-day a great responsibility, which we know full well will be worthily discharged. To talk about 'patriotism' in connection with the conspiracy is akin to blasphemy. To seek to save our people from the material and moral perils it portends—to preserve our gallant boys from death in the toile of the hangman's noose—seems to us the truest service we could render to the country we love as sincerely as do any of those who—wittingly or unwittingly—are now engaged in a criminal and futile propaganda all over the land."

AMUSEMENTS

"The Birth of a Nation."

"The Birth of a Nation" has become to theatergoers a sort of perennial classic. Easily the most pretentious of motion pictures, as well as the pioneer in the historical fields, it still retains its first appeal, and many will see it on this visit for the second, third, or, perhaps, the tenth time.

Presented twice at the Academy of Music yesterday to large audiences, it is as graphic a portrayal as ever of ante-bellum, as well as intrabellum, days; the opportune arrival of the Ku Klux Klan at the precise psychological moment holds the same intense appeal as when the picture was first flashed upon the screen, and, augmented by the musical, though frequently discordant, strains of the bugle, just makes one rise in his seat. The scene representing the assassination of President Lincoln impressed the audience so vividly last night that one feminine spectator screamed aloud.

Much has been said of the musical selections and their direct relation to the picture, this remains as wonderful a part of the picture as ever, and the orchestra on this visit of the film is a very good one, well balanced and capable, though it did seem as if there were not quite so many trumpets as usual. This may be due to the fact that on the first hearing of or seeing of the picture, the auditor is so impressed by the music that he regards the orchestra as all trumpets. This is especially true of the Ku Klux motif, or call.

This is said to be the last presentation of the film in Richmond; we hope that this statement may be taken with the same allowance that obtains with the farewell visits of prima donnas and tragedians, since this is too wonderful a picture not to have it come again and again. It behooves any who still remain ignorant of the entertaining and edifying qualities of "The Birth of a Nation" to see it, by all means, as it is a most graphic picturization of war-time romance, Southern home life and customs in the old days, and of the perils and trials of the days of reconstruction.

J. G. H.

At the Lyric.

The bill at the Lyric for the remainder of the week offers quite a variety of entertainment introducing some clever and novel acts. Scot Gibson, a Scotch comedian of the Harry Lauder type, has some very good jokes and catchy songs, while Eddie Webber and Marion Ridnor in a song and dance act contribute some clever dancing, which is above the ordinary. The remainder of the program consists of a troup of tumblers, Vare and Belle in comedy repartee and a rather novel act by Lewis and Norton in which the boomerang plays the prominent part.

Neil O'Brien Minstrels.

The Neil O'Brien Minstrels, now on their sixth annual tour, will be the attraction at the Academy Monday and Tuesday, and Tuesday matinee. Eddie Ross, who scored a hit in previous seasons, will again be with the organization, and will have a new monologue, and be heard on his banjo, which he plays to perfection.

NEW ORLEANS RESULTS

First race—five and a half furlongs—Partisan, 106 (Walls), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, won; Mary's Bean, 104 (Lyke), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Lady Eileen, 102 (Johnson), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:19 1-5. Onico, Miss Bryn, Miss Sweep, Paul Connelly, June Bug also ran.

Second race—six furlongs—Sandy Lad, 110 (Dominick), 7 to 5, 1 to 2 and 1 to 6, won; Contestant, 110 (Kelsey), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 1 to 3, second; Petrograd, 110 (Robinson), 10 to 1, 3 to 1 and 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:24 4-5. Buchmi Robert Rhodes, Adeline L., Christabel, Billeta also ran.

Third race—mile and sixteenth—Lynn, 108 (Sterling), 4 to 1, 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, won; Tarlotoo P., 104 (Johnson), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5, second; Huda's Brother, 104 (Mooney), 9 to 5, 7 to 10 and 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:54 3-5. Rubicon, Hatwa, Flying Feet, Lewis Opper, Sister Riley also ran.

Fourth race—mile and seventy yards—Dolina, 103 (Walsh), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and even, won; Merchant, 97 (Mooney), 7 to 2, 6 to 5 and 1 to 2, second; Pew, 108 (Garner), 5 to 2, 3 to 5 and 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:48 4-5. Redland, Reno, Checks and Kelso also ran.

Fifth race—mile and sixteenth—Brian Boru, 109 (Borger), 12 to 1, 5 to 1 and 5 to 2, won; Napoleon, 110 (Rice), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 8 to 5, second; Blue Rock, 104 (Mooney), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:53 1-5. W. W. Clark, Hester Smith, Elkton, Lady Worthington, Executor and Pas de Chance also ran.

Sixth race—mile and sixteenth—Little Cottage, 99 (Mooney), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5, won; Taxi, 99 (Walls), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 8 to 5, second; Minnie F., 106 (Poole), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:54. Jabot, Toddling, Rose Juliette, Colfax, Duke of Shelby, Requiam also ran.

HAVANA RESULTS

First race—five and a half furlongs—Elizabeth Lee, 105 (Collins), 7 to 5, 7 to 10 and 1 to 3, won; Dora Collins, 104 (Howard), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Water Wings, 108 (Peitz), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1:09 1-5. Cousin Bob, Baby Cole, Lily Orme, Moonstone and Maltabar also ran.

Second race—five and a half furlongs—Ischgabible, 115 (Gauger), 3 to 1, 6 to 5 and 3 to 5, won; Sleeper, 108 (Wingfield), even, 1 to 2 and 1 to 4, second; Frank Coleman, 108 (Hinphy), 6 to 1, 3 to 2 and 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:09 2-5. Confiscation, Otisco, Charmeuse, Page White, Prohibition also ran.

Third race—five and a half furlongs—Sybil, 121 (Lunsford), 7 to 10, 2 to 5 and out, won; Lola, 115 (Cooper), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, second; Ruth Strickland, 107 (Hinphy), 7 to 2, even and 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:08 3-5. Honeycut, Paulron, Luzzi, Colors also ran.

Fourth race—six furlongs—Circulate, 119 (Kleeger), 10 to 1, 5 to 1 and 5 to 2, won; Ed Garrison, 106 (Howard), 3 to 5, 7 to 10 and 1 to 3, second; Rhyme, 111 (Crump), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 4-5. Rio Brazos, Lady Jane Grey, Joe Finn, Sargon, Adelia, Wodan also ran.

Fifth race—six furlongs—Merry Jubilee, 107 (Taplin), 3 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, won; Wavering, 110 (Hynphy), 8 to 5, 7 to 10 and 1 to 3, second; Biddy, 110 (Morrissey), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:15 2-5. Cash Up, Safe and Sane, Highway, Eastern Greetings, Galar, Janquin, Paul Gaines, Purple and Gold also ran.

Sixth race—mile and twenty yards—Bright Sand, 94 (Lunsford), 2 to 1, 7 to 10 and 1 to 3, won; Jack Hanover, 103 (Humphries), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, second; Kneelet, 103 (Peitz), 5 to 1, 8 to 5 and 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:45 3-5. Battle Abbey, Nephthysis, S. R. Meyer also ran.

COLLEGE STARS DEFEAT Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL FIVE

Turner Bethel Leads All-Stars to Victory Over Local Team—Rixey Out of Game.

With Eppa Rixey, having joined the army, out of the line-up, the Y. M. C. A. basketball team was defeated last night by the College Stars, in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, by a score of 33 to 30, with Woodward starring for the association team and Pettway and Hatcher for the College Stars.

The College Stars were composed of the following Richmond boys: Turner Bethel, of Washington and Lee, center; Hatcher and Pettway, of the University of Virginia, forwards; Jennings and Snyder, guards. For the Y. M. C. A. the players were Levin and Bell, forwards; Becknor and Ehmig, guards; Woodward, center. Substitutions Becknor for Levin, Frank for Becknor.

The preliminary game between the Y. M. C. A. second team and the McGill Catholic Union resulted in a score of 31 to 10 in favor of the Y. M. C. A. For the Union Meoni was the star, with all the goals to his credit. For the association King registered six goals; Scheer, four; Waldrop, Ward and Fletcher, two each.

TEUTONIC PEACE TERMS FORMALLY OUTLINED BY CZERNIN TO RUSSIANS

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cate most clearly that the proposals of the Russian delegation could be realized only in case all the powers participating in the war obligate themselves scrupulously to adhere to the terms in common with all peoples.

"The powers of the quadruple alliance now negotiating with Russia cannot, of course, one-sidedly bind themselves to such terms, not having the guarantee that Russia's allies will carry out these terms honestly, without reservation, with regard to the quadruple alliance. Starting upon these principles, and regarding the six clauses proposed by the Russian delegation as a basis of negotiations, the following must be stated:

"Clause 1. Forcible annexation of territories seized during the war does not enter into the intentions of the allied powers. About troops now occupying seized territories it must be stipulated in the peace treaty, if there is no agreement before, regarding the evacuation of these places.

"Clause 2. It is not the intention of the allies to deprive the political independence of those nations which lost it during the war.

MUST BE SOLVED BY PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENTS TOGETHER

"Clause 3. The question of subjection to that or the other country of those nationalities who have not political independence cannot, in the opinion of the powers of the quadruple alliance, be solved internationally. In this case it must be solved by each government, together with its peoples, in a manner established by the constitution.

"Clause 4. Likewise, in accordance with the declarations of statesmen of the quadruple alliance, the protection of the rights of minorities constitutes an essential component part of the constitutional rights of peoples to self-determination. The allied governments also grant validity to this principle everywhere in so far as it is practically realizable.

"Clause 5. The allied powers have frequently emphasized the possibility that both sides might renounce not only indemnification for war costs, but also indemnification for war damages. In these circumstances every belligerent power would have only to make indemnification for expenditures for its nationals who have become prisoners of war, as well for damage done in its own territory by illegal acts of force committed against civilian nationals belonging to the enemy. The Russian government's proposal for the creation of a special fund for this purpose could be taken into consideration only if the other belligerent powers were to join in the peace negotiations within a suitable period.

"Clause 6. Of the four allied powers, Germany alone possesses colonies. On the part of the German delegation, in full accord with the Russian proposals regarding that, the following is declared:

"The return of colonial territories forcibly seized during the war constitutes an essential part of German demands, which Germany cannot renounce under any circumstances. Likewise, the Russian demand for immediate evacuation of territories occupied by an adversary conforms to German intentions. Having in view the nature of the colonial territories of Germany, the realization of the right of self-determination, besides the above outlined considerations in the form proposed by the Russian delegation is at present practically impossible.

REMAIN FAITHFUL TO GERMAN FRIENDS

"The circumstances that in the German colonies the natives, notwithstanding the greatest difficulties and the improbability of victory in a struggle against an adversary many times stronger and who had the advantage of unlimited import by sea, remained in the gravest circumstances faithful to their German friends, may serve as proof of their attachment and their resolve, by all means, to preserve allegiance to Germany, proof which by its significance and weight is far superior to any expression of popular will.

"The principles of economic relations proposed by the Russian delegation in connection with the above six clauses are approved wholly by the delegations of the allied powers, who always have denied any economic restrictions and who see in the re-establishment of regulated economic relations, which are in accord with the interests of all people concerned, one of the most important conditions for bringing about friendly relations between the powers now engaged in war."

Chairman Ioffe, of the Russian delegation, expressed gratification at the willingness of Germany to conclude peace on the basis of no annexations, no indemnities and the self-definition of peoples, but pointed out that the self-definition of peoples within the limits granted by constitutions, as stated by the German reply, was not complete.

"Renouncing the application of the right of the stronger nation with regard to territories occupied during the war," he said, "the powers of the quadruple alliance at the same time give all their opponents an immediate peace ground. They affirm that the right of the stronger, after unprecedented bloodshed, shall be preserved with all its integrity within each of the countries, with no regard for little and oppressed nationalities.

VIOLATED RIGHTS MUST BE RE-ESTABLISHED

"The war cannot end without the violated rights of those nationalities being re-established. The Russian delegation insists that those nationalities must in the very next peace treaty establishing a general peace among all nationalities receive, on the basis of international agreement, guarantees that their lawful rights will be protected. The lapse of time in no case legalizes the violation of one people by another."

Regarding compensation for the maintenance of prisoners of war, the Russian chairman said it might be construed as an indemnity. He insisted that an international fund be used to pay damages against private persons. He had no objection to Germany's request that her colonies be evacuated by entente troops.

Russia's delegation, he stated, in conclusion, notwithstanding differences of opinion, thought that the German declaration that Germany has no aggressive plans offered the possibility of the immediate beginning of negotiations for a general peace among all belligerents. He proposed a ten days' recess until January 4, "so that the peoples whose governments have not yet joined in the negotiations for a general peace may have an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the principles of such a peace as now is being established."

"At the expiration of the indicated time," he declared, "the negotiations must be resumed, disregarding whether or not other belligerents have joined in the negotiations or how many."

The next session of the conference was set for December 26.

RAIDING BANDITS KILLED BY AMERICANS IN MEXICO

MARFA, TEXAS, December 27.—Ten of the Mexicans who raided Candelaria Christmas morning were killed and a number wounded when American cavalry, under Colonel George T. Langhorne, overtook the bandits on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande early to-day. One American soldier was wounded, but will recover. Many of the horses stolen were recovered.

After pursuing the Mexican bandits for a distance of ten miles into the mountains of Mexico, the American troops recrossed the Rio Grande to American territory at noon to-day.

THINK RAID INSPIRED BY GERMANS IN MEXICO

EL PASO, TEXAS, December 27.—Federal officials to-night began an investigation of reports that the Mexican bandit raids into the Big Bend districts of Texas were inspired by the Germans now operating south of the border in connection with American draft evaders.

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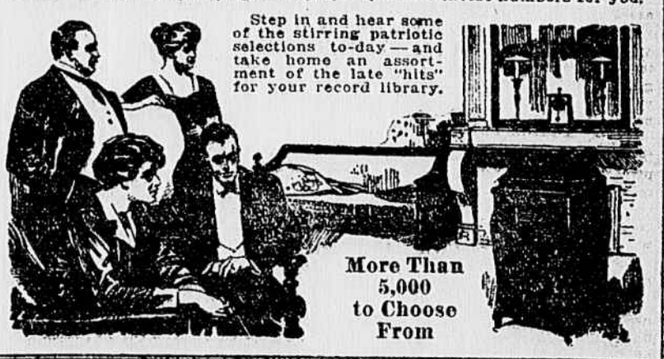

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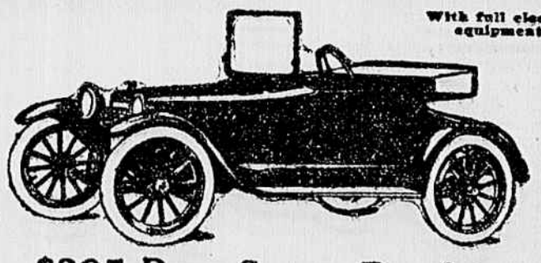

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