

the A. T. & T. agreed that if federal prosecution of it as a monopoly would stop it would not make further grabs of small companies without first getting the consent of the local authorities and of the federal department of justice. The interstate independent operated 29 exchanges, including Joliet, Springfield, Aurora, Elgin and Sterling. It had been using the automatic system in Chicago for long distance connections.

Independents from Danville and E. St. Louis will be at the hearing before the utilities commission this week in protest against the sale of the automatic because it will stop their Chicago long distance connection.

MERELY COMMENT

The Trib is so war-mad that it froths at the mouth.

Better muzzle it.

What do YOU think of a few political bosses getting together to hand-pick YOUR judges?

We're about due for another vice crusade, because—

Sam Insull wants to put over big traction and gas deals.

It's easier to pull the public leg when the folks are all fussed up over vice and crime.

Probably Billy Sunday will put on the finishing touches.

And then Walter Fisher will get busy again.

Walter is Chicago's greatest little Mr. Fixit.

Bill Shakespeare seems to be running behind his ticket in Chicago.

This doesn't appear to be a good year for Bills.

Art Meeker's well-known North Side mansion is still oozing limburger cheese.

New York.—No more can the "hot dog" vender juggle his wares with bare hands. Coney Island board of health has ruled that from now on "dogs" must be handled with gloves.

IRISH IN REVOLT—PART OF DUBLIN CAPTURED

London, April 25.—Irish rebels are in possession of four or five parts of the city of Dublin, after twenty-four hours of most serious rioting. Augustine Birrel, chief secretary for Ireland, announced in the House of Commons this afternoon.

Telegraphic communication with Dublin has been cut off, indicating that the principal portion of the city is held by the rebels.

The rioters seized the Dublin post-office. Soldiers arriving from Curragh quelled the rioters after a street battle in which twelve persons were killed. The situation is now under control of the authorities, Birrell announced.

The outburst of rioting, it is considered certain, was part of a well-organized German attempt to stir up a great revolution in Ireland.

For several weeks some Irish newspapers have been appearing, carrying seditious articles opposing any participation in the war on the part of Irish men. The organization known as the Irish Volunteers has held parades as counter demonstrations to the efforts of English recruiting agents.

London, April 25.—Sir Roger Casement, whose capture off Irish coast spoiled reckless attempt to foment disorder in Ireland, probably will escape execution.

Officials are said to be convinced that Sir Roger has been mentally unbalanced for last 3 years. Despite his traitorous conduct after long years in service of his country, he probably will be confined in some institution and closely guarded for remainder of his life.

Attempts were made to wreck a crowded excursion train southwest of Dublin. Railway employes who attempted to remove telegraph pole that had been placed across track were fired on from ambush.