

ULSTER CABINET IS ALREADY IN MAKING

Greenwood Hopes the Two Parliaments May Start Work Together.

CALLS OUTLOOK BRIGHT

Believes Home Rule Will Be Realized Within Six Months.

Valera in Ireland for His Christmas Goose

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Eamonn de Valera is in Ireland, where "he enjoyed his share of the Christmas goose," was a statement made to-day at a meeting of the Irish Vigilance Society by Tim McNulty, who presided.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland, today reiterated and amplified his optimistic statement on the Irish situation made last night at a dinner given in honor of the Cornell cross-country team. In his speech on that occasion he declared the two Irish Parliaments provided for by the recently enacted home rule bill would be working within six months.

"So far as Ulster is concerned," the Chief Secretary told newspaper correspondents to-day, "candidates are already being selected, and it is possible that the Ministers of the first Ulster Cabinet are being talked about. I hope it will be possible to have both Parliaments elected on the same day, so they may be able to start together, and that the Council, which is a central body composed of representatives of both Parliaments, can get on with its all-Ireland work as soon as possible."

VALERA'S WHEREABOUTS MYSTERY IN IRELAND

Sinn Feiners and Officials Deny Knowledge of Him.

DUBLIN, Jan. 1.—The American steamship Pontia, which arrived here Friday from New York and which was immediately searched by the military, was still under a strong guard of armed soldiers to-day. The crew of the vessel remained aboard, but admission to the ship was refused to all other persons.

The cargo of the Pontia is being overhauled to see if the vessel has been used for gun running.

Leading Sinn Feiners and Government officials alike deny knowledge of the arrival here of Eamonn de Valera. They assert that he did not arrive on board the Pontia, and telephonic inquiry at several Irish sports failed to reveal that the "President of the Irish Republic" has made his entry into Ireland.

It is stated that there would be no need to arrest De Valera on the old charge against him, that of having escaped from jail, as he could be taken into custody under the restoration of order in Ireland act. The ground for the detention of Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein organization, and Prof. John MacNeill, president of the Sinn Fein Volunteers, is the desire of the Government to ascertain the responsibility for the alleged employment of Republican funds on ambuscades and other operations involving the loss of the lives of troops, and it is said this desire might include De Valera as the alleged source of the funds.

There would be no difficulty in De Valera remaining hidden here as long as he chooses. The expectation is that if he is in Dublin he first will consult his intimates and then make known his presence and await arrest.

BELFAST, Jan. 1.—A unique spectacle was witnessed in Londonderry early this morning when the congregations from the watch-night services were escorted to their homes by fully armed military pickets. The curfew law is in operation in Londonderry and special permission was obtained from the general commanding the military district for the holding of the midnight services.

BULGAR-RUMANIAN PEACE. BUCHAREST, Dec. 31 (delayed).—Diplomatic relations between Rumania and Bulgaria were reestablished to-day when the Bulgarian Minister, M. Netkoff, presented his credentials to King Ferdinand.

CROWDS AT SAILING OF MRS. MACSWINEY

Band Plays and Irish Societies Bid Good-by to Widow of Cork Mayor.

GRATEFUL TO AMERICA

Panhandle State Trimmed With Flowers—Takes Message to De Valera.

Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney sailed on the Panhandle State of the United States Mail Line yesterday amid scenes which resembled, though on a smaller scale, the extraordinary reception given for her when she arrived in this country on December 4.

Representative committees from Irish societies, a delegation from the Longshoremen's Union, the Sixty-ninth Regiment Band and a crowd of curious persons were at the foot of Thirty-fourth street when the ship left her dock. Between Eighth and Tenth avenues the street was bright with the green, yellow and white flags of the "Irish Republic."

Photographs of the late Lord Mayor of Cork and his widow were sold in the streets and appeared to be in great demand. The band stationed itself in front of a warehouse at the northeast corner of Tenth avenue and Thirty-fourth street and played in intervals between speeches, which were made to help the time pass before the arrival of Mrs. MacSwiney and her party.

Crowd in Good Humor.

A few minutes after 1 o'clock the party arrived in three automobiles. Accompanying Mrs. MacSwiney were Harry Boland, secretary to Eamonn de Valera, "President of the Irish Republic," James Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Tynan, the Rev. Father Timothy Shanley, St. John Gaffney, Miss Hope Fitzgerald, Mrs. James Walsh, Joseph Beley and Catherine Flanagan. Sergeant Mike Donaldson and Miss Agnes Tansey were in the first car. They described themselves as the "escort extraordinary."

The police had an easy time with the crowd, which was in good humor. Mrs. MacSwiney and Miss Kathleen O'Connell, who are making the voyage together, were met at the pier by Miss Rose Kennedy of the Peulart Parish House and nine little girls dressed in the colors of the "Irish Republic." Together they marched up the gangplank and to the deck.

The Panhandle State was dressed for the occasion. Flowers and vases of American beauty roses decorated rooms 2 and 4, on the saloon deck, which had been reserved for Mrs. MacSwiney and Miss O'Connell. Even the alleyways had been trimmed with flowers, under the orders of Captain Harold A. Cunningham.

Harry Boland sent a message to "President" de Valera by Mrs. MacSwiney.

"Tell the chief all is well," he said, adding that he spoke as the representative of all the Irish sympathizers in the United States. He intimated that he would soon go to Ireland to join De Valera.

Before she left the Hotel St. Regis Mrs. MacSwiney issued a statement expressing her appreciation for the treatment given her during her stay here. "It is with a feeling of the greatest regret," she said, "that I must take myself away from the shores of your great republic. Your hospitality and affection toward me have created in my heart such appreciation and affection that I fear I cannot adequately express."

"My last expressions are those of deepest gratitude and my last request is that you may speedily relieve the devastation of Ireland and help it to stand by your side a free and independent nation."

Among the other passengers on the Panhandle State, which is en route for Bournemouth and London, where Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Ford, Mr. Ford is going to London, Paris, Switzerland, Sweden and Italy for the purpose of representing the Consolidated Pocahontas Coal Company of Baltimore.

RUSSIAN AND POLISH PEACE ENVOYS AT ODDS

Armistice Violations Charged by Each Side.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Friction has developed between the Russian and Polish peace delegates at Riga, says a despatch to the HERALD from Riga.

M. Dombki, chief spokesman for Poland in the negotiations, protested that the Russians violated the armistice line, while M. Joffe, head of the Russian delegation, in reply is declared to have charged the Poles did not evacuate certain villages in accordance with the armistice undertaking, besides accusing them of plundering and other outrages.

M. Joffe demanded the withdrawal of all Polish troops to the armistice line, declaring that otherwise Russia would take action.

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An unusual showing of discontinued patterns in some of our best grades of carpets.

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COTTON SHIRTS... Values 2.95 to 8.00 Now 1.65 to 5.50
FLANNEL SHIRTS... Values 7.50 to 10.50 Now 5.50 to 7.75
SILK SHIRTS... Values 14.50 Now 9.95

Tax not included

Men's Pajamas

Percale, Madras and mercerized grades— Values 3.50-4 Now 2.95
Fine plain mercerized pongee suits, Values 4.50 Now 3.50
English flannels of good weight, Values 12.00 Now 8.50

Men's Underwear

Merino, grey—good weight shirts and drawers, Value 4.50 3.50
Merino Union Suits—medium weight, Value 4.00 2.95
Merino Union Suits—extra heavy, Value 9.50 7.50

Wool Motor Robes

Reduced Less Than 1/2 Price to

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Regular Value 28.00

Remainder of the present stock for clearance during January—those who come early are assured the best selection of patterns and colorings—all wool extra size self fringed Rugs in

STEAMER STYLE

Indispensable for motors and suitable for couch covers, hunting blankets and traveling.

Heavy Plush Robes—Special 19.50

The best rug of its kind on the market and at the quoted sale price an exceptional value. Regularly 30.00.

Other Robes now priced for clearance at 8.95 to 42.50

Winter Bedding

At Substantial Savings

Blankets, Comfortables and Bed Spreads offered at special prices in a clearance sale during the month of January.

White Blankets

Single Bed Size... 5.95, 7.65, 10.85 and 11.45
Finer Grades 12.75 to 37.25.
Double Bed Size... 8.30, 10.85, 11.90, 13.40
Finer Grades 17.95 to 40.80.
Extra double size... 10.65, 12.30 and 15.95
Finer Grades 17.95 to 36.25.

Comfortables

Figured Silkoline—plain mull borders... 7.25
Figured Cambric—plain sateen borders, wool filled... 10.85
Figured Jacquard Mull—plain mull borders and backs—wool filled, 14.75
Crinkled Dimity Bed Spreads... 2.65, 3.00, 3.20, 3.40

Silk Hosiery Specials

Women's Pure Thread Silk Hosiery twisted with Fibre to insure long wear—a fine even weave with elastic cotton tops and seam at the back—in black and cordovan. Regularly 1.75.

1.15 Pr.

Women's English Wool Hosiery—fine ribbed, light weight quality in dark brown. Value 3.75. Now 2.95

Full Sized Cap and Fringe Hair Nets, 1.00 Dozen

Arnold, Constable & Co.

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Drastic Reductions in the January Clearance

January Linen Sale

Offering the Most Unusual Values of the Season

CLEARANCE OF ODD TABLE CLOTHS—Ninety-five of our standard all linen dinner cloths to be closed out at about 1-3 less than prices of a month ago.

Sizes 68 x 98 to 7 1/2 x 3 yards. Regularly 10.50 to 45.00

Clearance 6.95 to 33.00 Each

EXTRA HEAVY ALL LINEN SATIN DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS AND NAPKINS in several round designs—specially priced.

Table Cloths Size 2 x 2 yards... 13.50 and 16.75 Ea.

Table Cloths Size 2 x 2 1/2 yards... 17.50 and 21.00 Ea.

Napkins to match... 15.00 and 21.00 Doz.

IMPORTED PURE IRISH LINEN WEEF (LINEN AND COTTON) TABLE CLOTHS—priced less than to-day's wholesale quotations. Size 67 x 68 inches—Now 4.85 Each

EXTRA FINE IRISH SATIN DAMASK NAPKINS—seventy-five dozen only—size 22 x 22 inches. Regular 19.75 grade. To Close at 16.50 Dozen.

Extra Special

Italian Luncheon Sets

Consisting of 25 pieces and one centerpiece (all square shape) made of soft ecru linen and all beautifully hand worked—only a limited stock at this very special price. Regular 47.50 Grade. Now 31.50

TOWELS of Various Kinds and Grades

Hemstitched Union Linen Huck Towels (Linen and Cotton); practically impossible to distinguish them from all linen. Owing to the manufacturer's concession we have taken the balance of our entire stock and priced them for this sale at .65 Each. Our regular 1.15 grade.

Extra heavy Turkish Towels—all neatly hemmed and full bleached—size 22 x 44. .50 each while they last. Our regular 1.00 grade.

All linen Huck Towels at about to-day's wholesale price—(Webb's Dew Bleached all linen quality) hemmed—size 19 x 34—extra heavy. Now 12.75 Dozen. Our 16.75 grade.

Hemstitched all linen (Webb's Dew Bleached) Huck Towels—size 19 x 37—extra heavy quality with neat border designs. Now 15.00 Dozen. Our 21.00 grade.

Hemmed Cotton Huck Towels—red borders. 4.25 Dozen.

Kitchen all linen Crash, Twill and Glass Towels. Now 8.75 to 14.25 Dozen. Our regular 10.00 to 17.50 grade.

(Phone and Mail Orders Promptly Filled.)

Further Markdowns on Wholesale Silks

Bringing the prices to less than mill cost in some instances.

35 Inch Chiffon Taffeta

In Ivory, Coral, Turquoise, Mais, Lilac, Copen, Belgian, Royal, Marine, Navy, Emerald, Havana, Taupe, Gun Metal, Wistaria, Purple, Garnet and Black; also changeable effects in Turquoise and White, Turquoise and Cerise, Orange and Magenta, White and Pink, Dahlia and Mais.

Former Price 3.00 Yard

1.95

Georgette Crepe—40 in. Formerly 2.00... Now 1.45
Crepe de Chine—40 in. Formerly 3.00... Now 1.75
Extra Fine Taffeta—35 in. Formerly 4.50... Now 2.75
Black Chiffon Taffeta—35 in. Formerly 3.00... Now 1.85
Satin Brilliant—35 in. Formerly 3.75... Now 1.65
Satin Charmeuse—40 in. Formerly 4.75... Now 2.50
Dress Satin—35 in. Formerly 4.50... Now 2.35
Satin America—35 in. Formerly 5.50... Now 3.45
Fancy Radiums—40 in. Formerly 5.00... Now 2.50
C. J. Bonnet & Cie Black Silks and Satins—Formerly 5.00 to 7.50 Now 4.00 to 6.00

Blouse Clearance

Entire Stock at Great Reductions

Satins and Crepe de Chine Blouses and Over Blouses—also beaded, embroidered and hand drawn models—Tailored Satins and Batistes.

Formerly 4.95 to 100.00

To Close 3.75 to 75.00

Knitted Jackets

Close fitting models in various colors—a dainty accessory for wear under loose coats and suit jackets.

To Close at 2.68

Knitted Spencers

Smart surpliced model with a neat clasp at the back—nicely finished throughout.

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