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SIR ROGER CASEMENT

Honored with knighthood—a title since taken from him by King George's order—for his many years of service for Great Britain as Consul and Consul-General, Roger Casement assumed leadership, at a period of his country's crisis, in the recent Irish rebellion, the plans for which were laid while Casement was in Berlin, where he was reported to have negotiated an understanding with the German imperial authorities.

British naval supremacy brought an abortive close to Casement's plans. The German tramp steamship on which there was transported an armed expedition from Germany nearly to the West coast of Ireland in April of this year was blown up by its own crew when the latter foresaw that it was inevitable that the blockading English warships would capture it. crew was made prisoners.

The tramp had been convoyed from Kiel by a German submarine, from which Casement and a companion landed on Irish soil, where they were taken into custody before their plans matured.

In May, Casement was given a preliminary hearing and was committed for trial on the charge of high treason. Late in June the trial was begun, Casement pleading not guilty and uttering a denial that he had worked in Germany's interests and that he had accepted German gold as a bribe.

The court's verdict was guilty, and the sentence of death by hanging was, after appeal by his counsel, confirmed by the Court of Criminal Appeal, late in July.

The London Press generally approved the fate legally fixed for Casement, but in America persistent efforts were made to save the noted prisoner from death.

In Washington, a resolu-

tion was introduced in the senate which would have President Wilson intercede with the British government, and numerous petitions received at the White House from many sources asking that a plea for clemency be cabled. The senate resolution was not adopted. President Wilson took no official action.

In England, the Manchester Guardian and a number of other papers pleaded for mercy and petitions asking for a reprieve were circulated in London. Adherents of Sir John Redmond forwarded to Premier Asquith a petition signed by six bishops, 26 members of Parliament and 51 other persons, including a number of educators.

Pope Benedict interceded in Casement's behalf, endeavoring to obtain grace for him from the British government, influential Irish Nationalists having urged upon the Pontiff that the prisoner was not a traitor but was inspired by Irish patriotism.

Roger Casement, prior to the war, established a reputation through his investigation of the Congo and South American rubber atrocities committed on natives by the Belgian and British rubber hunters. The then Sir Roger headed a commission of inquiry which brought about reforms.

In 1913 he became actively identified with the organization of the Irish national volunteers. He was in the United States when the war began and addressed an open letter to the Irish press advising Irishmen to remain neutral.

In October 1914 he went to Norway and thence to Berlin, whence came the news that startled the world: Casement was plotting what his country looked upon as high treason. His friends, recalling his years of service in Africa and South America, claimed for him that the high tropical sun had unbalanced him mentally.

Casement was born on September 1, 1864; he was hanged at London yesterday for treason.

SUPREME PYTHIANS TO ENJOY AN OUTING

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 4.—The 29th Biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, continued in session here today. The program called for both morning and afternoon meetings. The Supreme Temple, Pythian Sisters, also were to hold two sessions. Tonight the knights and ladies planned to enjoy an outing at a river resort.



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BLAISDELL COMPANY CHANGES OWNER

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cost. Men less domineering would have given it up; but they persevered and gained recognition for themselves and Yuma.

The citizens of Yuma welcome the new owners and Manager Day (who is here) and wish the Blaisdell's success in their other enterprises.

FLIES, HEAT AND DUST FEATURE IN BIG WAR

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, Mesopotamia, Aug. 4.—Flies, heat and dust, the three principal plagues of Mesopotamia, are what have stopped the fighting for the past several months in this theatre of the great war.

Flies are so thick that soldiers say it is impossible to keep them out of their food. A squadron of cavalry coming down a road looked as if they were wearing chain armor. When they came close enough it was found that what looked like mail was steely blue metallic mesh of flies.

At night the flies disappear and the mosquitoes and sand-flies relieve 'em. Many species bite or sting.

The thermometer runs up to 130 degrees in a tent. All the men wear a suncard over their helmet, and a spine pad, for a person can get sunstroke here through the small of the back.

The persistent hot wind is better than complete stillness, though it flings sand and dust in the faces of the men, who eat sand, breathe sand, lie in sand, have sand in their eyes, ears and clothes.

There are different kinds of heat—the moist and tropical heat of the swamps of the Euphrates and the Shat-al-Arab, the parched and desert heat of the Tigris and the Karun. Each variety has its attendant insects and peculiar ailments, which often take the form of boils and eruptions. Disease has incapacitated more troops than bullets.

NEWSPAPER BUSINESS BEING TAUGHT AT BERKELEY COLLEGE

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a city editor, is edited at a copy-desk, sent to the students in the composing-room and eventually printed in the school paper. The commercial department of the school will train the pupils in the business end of the publication.

The aim of the course is stated as "not so much the evolution of a finished reporter or copy-reader as the development of a well-rounded product who may take up practical newspaper work and printing with a general knowledge of the craft and enough particular knowledge to enable him or her to build a successful career."

WET TERRITORY IS GRADUALLY NARROWING

It is estimated that one-half the population living in wet territory lives in four states. One-sixth of lives in six cities. One-half the saloons in the United States are in fourteen big cities. In a list of thirty-six states there are fewer saloons than in New York City. There are fewer saloons south of the Mason and Dixon line than in the city of Chicago. There are about 2,000 counties in the United States and over 1,800 are now dry.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR GOVERNOR OF ARIZONA
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Governor of Arizona, subject to the Democratic primaries, Sept. 12, 1916. I am opposed to any special law for the taxation of mines or any other class of property.
GEO. A. OLNEY.

FOR STATE SENATOR
WINSOR—We are authorized to announce Mulford Winsor as a candidate for the State Senate, subject to the will of the Democratic party at the approaching primary election.

FOR CONSTABLE, YUMA PRECINCT

PURTELL—We are authorized to announce A. E. PurteLL as a candidate for the office of Constable of Yuma Justice District, composed of the voting precincts of Yuma Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and Crane and Blaisdell, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the district at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR
MING—We are authorized to announce the name of County Assessor A. B. Ming for re-nomination to that office, subject to the will of the Democratic primary.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE
EDWARDS—We are authorized to announce James L. Edwards as a candidate for the office of Representative from Yuma county in the next legislature of Arizona, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

EDDY—We are authorized to announce A. J. Eddy of Yuma as a candidate for the office of Representative from Yuma county in the next legislature of Arizona, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR SHERIFF
GREENLEAF—We are authorized to announce Sheriff Mel Greenleaf for re-nomination, subject to the will of the Democratic primary election.

DONOVAN—We are authorized to announce J. A. Donovan of Yuma valley as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

GRIFFIN—We are authorized to announce A. J. Griffin as a candidate for Sheriff of Yuma County, subject to the action of the Republican election at the primaries, Sept. 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER
RILEY—We are authorized to announce Walter D. Riley, of Yuma, as a candidate for County Treasurer of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY
WUPPERMAN—We are authorized to announce H. Wupperman of Yuma as a candidate for County Attorney of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

EVANS—We are authorized to announce Pierce Evans of Yuma as a candidate for County Attorney of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY RECORDER
HODGES.—We are authorized to announce James T. Hodges, of Yuma, as a candidate for the office of County Recorder of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democrats of the county at the primary election to be held on Sept. 12, 1916.

WINN—We are authorized to announce Rosser I. Winn, of Yuma, as a candidate for the office of county recorder of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democrats of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY SUPERVISOR
ELLIOTT—We are authorized to announce F. E. Elliott of the Crane precinct, Yuma valley, as a candidate for the office of county supervisor of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on Sept. 12, 1916.

STURGES—We are authorized to announce W. W. Sturges of Yuma as a candidate for County Supervisor, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters at the primary election to be held Sept. 12, 1916.

SHANSSY—We are authorized to announce J. H. Shanssy as a candidate for the office of County Supervisor of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held Sept. 12, 1916.

GARVIN—We are authorized to announce former Senator James S. Garvin as a candidate for Supervisor, subject to the Democratic primaries, September 12, 1916.

HOPKINS—We are authorized to announce B. F. Hopkins as a candidate for the office of County Supervisor of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

ROSE—We are authorized to announce Prof. H. W. Rose as a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Schools of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

MORROW—We are authorized to announce Miss Nora E. Morrow as a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Schools of Yuma county, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the county at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

J. C. JONES—We are authorized to announce J. C. Jones of Yuma as a candidate for Justice of the Peace of Yuma precinct, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.

SMITH—We are authorized to announce Charles M. Smith as a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace of the Yuma precinct, subject to the indorsement of the Republican voters of the county at the primary election, to be held on September 12, 1916.

MAYES—We are authorized to announce Ed Mayes as a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace of the Yuma justice district, composed of the voting precincts of Yuma Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Crane and Blaisdell, subject to the indorsement of the Democratic voters of the district at the primary election to be held on September 12, 1916.