

COMMONS TO GET GENERAL DRAFT BILL TOMORROW

Immediate and Compulsory Service Provided for, Asquith Announces

BIRRELL UNDER FIRE

LONDON, May 2. The Government's conscription bill will be introduced in Parliament tomorrow, Premier Asquith announced today.

The great test of the present Government will come with the introduction of this measure. It will meet with sharp opposition from many quarters, and the result may be a disruption of the present Cabinet.

Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that Great Britain's total military forces now exceed 5,000,000 men.

A motion demanding the resignation of Augustine Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, was introduced in Parliament this afternoon, but immediate consideration of the measure was prevented by other business.

Premier Asquith said he hoped to give an early opportunity for debate on the motion, that arose from charges that he had not taken proper precautions to prevent the Dublin revolt, though fully forewarned.

The Premier said that the situation in Ireland had greatly improved, communication having been fully restored.

Although Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Ulster Unionists, and John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, have promised not to make political capital out of the Irish rebellion, the uprising has had such powerful effect upon the public mind that its influence will have a strong bearing upon deliberations in Commons for some time.

The Government finds itself with approximately 1000 prisoners on its hands, including four of the leaders who have done most to incite civil war. They are Sir Roger Casement, Peter H. Pearse, the provisional president of the Republic of Ireland; James Connolly, commander-in-chief of the revolutionary forces, and Countess Markievicz.

Demands are pouring in upon the Government that the sternest possible punishment be dealt out to them. Some of the Tory newspapers insist that the ringleaders in the Irish revolt be tried for treason and that long terms of imprisonment be meted out to their armed followers.

On the other hand anxiety exists in some quarters that harsh measures would raise to a still higher pitch the feeling that has already been roused in Ireland by the flames of war and bloodshed.

Whatever is done it is likely that martial law will be maintained in the danger zones of Ireland until after the principal leaders of the Sinn Fein have been tried.

In addition to the Irish situation it is likely that the Government will come in for condemnation because of the surrender of General Townshend's army at Kut-el-Amara. The gallantry of General Townshend's defense of Kut against overwhelming odds is recognized and appreciated. Criticism is not against him, but against the manner in which the Mesopotamian campaign has been conducted from the first.

MANY WOMEN FALL IN DUBLIN REVOLT

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most dejected when they saw their plans fail.

"I learned from an eye-witness who saw her, that the Countess Markievicz, dressed entirely in green, led a rebel force to the gate of Dublin Castle and personally fired the first shot from her revolver in the attack on the castle. The shot fired killed a policeman."

Train service has been reopened between the Irish capital and Belfast. Sea service for passengers is being carried on between the Irish capital and Kingstown with British gunboats.

Stores of provisions are being sent into the city to feed the hungry population. Red Cross workers are being sent for the wounded soldiers and sailors. Hundreds of wounded are in the hospitals and strict guard is being maintained to prevent any of the slightly wounded rebels from escaping.

Virtually all the armed rebels are now in the hands of the military authorities. The last band to surrender was that at Enniscorthy.

Word was also received that some bands of Sinn Feiners in Galway and County Meath had laid down their arms.

EDITOR'S STORY.

John Healy, editor of the Irish Times, who was in this city throughout the fighting, and published his paper during the stormy days, gives the following description of the uprising:

"There must be no mistake about the uprising. It was a brutal, bloody, savage business. It was marked by many cases

of shocking and callous cruelty. Innocent civilians were butchered in cold blood. Unarmed policemen and soldiers were shot down. As the result of promiscuous looting and incendiarism, one of the finest public buildings in Ireland and the most important commercial centre of Dublin are in ashes. The full toll of death will never be known. It is no exaggeration to say that scores of harmless citizens perished. Many British soldiers fell in the execution of one of the most difficult and dangerous duties ever required of military men.

"The nation must see that, in return for the heavy cost, it receives at least a sure guarantee of righteous punishment for the offenders and a powerful Government for Ireland in the future."

One of the Sinn Fein commanders in the postoffice was Sheehy Skeffington, who is reported to have been killed. He was dressed in a picturesque uniform of bright green with long top boots adorned with tassels.

Another Sinn Fein commander, Professor MacNeill, of the National University, is a prisoner.

On Sunday, General Sir John Maxwell, the British commander, issued a proclamation to the people of Dublin saying he intended to blow up with dynamite the property in the affected region, if necessary, to clear it of snipers. The residents were warned to leave, but the men were told that they must carry white flags as they approached the sentries and must hold their hands in their pockets for fear of having weapons concealed.

The Earl of Donoughmore, commander in France of the British Red Cross Society and former Under Secretary of War, who married the daughter of M. T. Grace, of New York, was among the British officers wounded in the fighting.

IRISH REBEL CHIEF REPORTED DEAD KNOWN IN THIS CITY

F. Sheehy Skeffington Spoke Here Several Months Ago

F. Sheehy Skeffington, a Sinn Fein leader in Ireland, who is reported to have been killed during the fighting about the Irish rebellion in Dublin, is well known in Philadelphia, where he spoke on November 24, 1915. He had been imprisoned for speaking against recruiting in Ireland before his visit to America, but after a hunger strike of a week had been released. He came to this country to give the attitude of Irishmen toward the war to the various Irish societies in America.

In Philadelphia he spoke before the Clan-na-Gael at the Irish-American Club, 726 Spruce street.

"Opposition to recruiting," said Mr. Skeffington at this meeting, "is bound to increase whenever conscription of Irishmen is imminent. The young men of Ireland are migrating to America lest they be forced to fight with England."

"We claim that Ireland has no interest in fighting for England's dominance of the sea. Anything that smashes and weakens England's dominance of the sea is good for Ireland."

"We have a supreme interest in keeping every Irishman at home to build up the nation. If there is any power we should like to see crushed in this war, it is not Germany but England."

Mr. Skeffington made a tour of the United States, speaking on the Irish problem from the viewpoint of the Irish. His ambition was to present the claims of Ireland to independence as a small nation.

After his return to Ireland, all Irish-American newspapers were taken from him at Liverpool, and at every station on the way from Liverpool to Dublin the police inspected his compartment to make sure he had not eluded them.

While in this city, Sheehy Skeffington was the guest of Joseph McGarrity, president of the Irish Volunteers of America, at his home, 5412 Springfield avenue.

STORE PURCHASES REALTY

Strawbridge & Clothier Acquire Property They Occupy

Strawbridge & Clothier have purchased from the Bowers estate the premises 311-13-15 Market street, 63 feet 4 inches, on that thoroughfare, with a depth of 206 feet to Filbert street. The lot has been leased by Strawbridge & Clothier for a number of years and is included in their store. Its assessed valuation is \$850,000.

The purchase gives the ownership of all properties included in the store from the northwest corner of 8th street to 321 Market street, inclusive, to Strawbridge & Clothier.

Roller Scares Horse; Cyclist Hurt

The puffing and snorting of a steam roller at Broad and Chestnut streets caused a horse attached to a heavy team to run away. The wagon, careening from side to side, went zig-zag across Broad street and struck William Franklin, 3612 Franklin street, who was riding a bicycle. Franklin was taken to the Hahnemann Hospital, where he is in a serious condition with a fractured skull. The driver of the team, Thornton Collier, 1815 South street, was arrested.

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WORLD COURT URGED TO STOP FUTURE WARS

John Hays Hammond Advocates International Tribunal at League Meeting

NEW YORK, May 2.—At the opening of the meeting of the World's Court League in Carnegie Hall this afternoon John Hays Hammond, the mining engineer and financier, declared that the proposed court of all the nations is the only possible way of preventing future great wars.

The present war would have been impossible with such a court in operation, he said. All the nations contending now, he added, are imbued with the same virtues and high ideals. Publicity in international relations alone would have done much to prevent the present stupendous conflict, he said.

The meeting of the league will continue three days. Ex-president Taft, Judge Alton B. Parker and many other prominent men will speak.

Finance Minister to Support Chief

PARIS, May 2.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Athens says that Mr. Repoulis, Minister of Finance in the Cabinet of Mr. Venizelos, addressed a large meeting in Patras on Sunday in favor of the policy of Mr. Venizelos. There was no disorder, the correspondent adds.

Oldest Montgomery Editor Dies

NORRISTOWN, Pa., May 2.—Albert Knouele died last night in his 85th year. He was the oldest editor in Montgomery County, and published the Norristown Register. He was Postmaster of Norristown under Cleveland.

UNION OF METHODIST CHURCHES INDORSED IN BISHOPS' TALK

Episcopal Address Condemns Pastors Who Marry Divorced Persons Contrary to Denominational Laws

CHILD LABOR ASSAILED

SARATOGA, N. Y., May 2.—Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South was indorsed by the bishops in the annual Episcopal address read before the General Conference here today.

The paragraph favoring Methodist church union follows:

We are convinced of the essential unity of the two great Methodisms in doctrine and life, and this essential union must in due season express itself in outward and organic form. Without presuming to pronounce upon the terms of union, we declare ourselves earnestly in favor of the organic union of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South and of such other bodies as may share our common faith and experience.

The bishops favor agreements between employers, investors and wage earners for wage adjustments and profit-sharing plans; condemn Sabbath desecration, Mormonism and the season, and severely censure clergymen who perform the rite of marriage for divorced persons contrary to the laws of the church.

All forms of child labor are condemned, and the Keating-Owen bill is indorsed. No specific direction regarding amusements is given. Warning is issued against any movement tending to create a union of Church and State. An increase in membership of between 300,000 and 400,000 in the last four years is reported.

Injured Passing Between Cars

The eagerness of William McCabe, 28 years old, of 21 North 54th street, to be on time for work this morning at the Spreckels' Sugar Refinery, Swanson and Reed streets, may cost him his left foot. McCabe, who was blocked from crossing Swanson street by the passing of a freight train, was run over when he tried to pass between the cars.

Sketch Club Exhibit to Stay

Owing to the great interest shown in the present exhibition at the Philadelphia Sketch Club, 215 South Canal street, it has been decided to continue it for the present week. The collection displayed consists of works in oil, pastel and water color by members. The gallery is open every afternoon from 1 until 6 o'clock, and in the evening from 7.30 to 9. Admission is free.

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SARATOGA DELEGATES

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Plant for Gasoline "Wizard" NEW YORK, May 2.—Ground has been broken at Farmingdale, L. I., for a fire-proof laboratory for experiments by Louis Enrich, who says he has invented an extremely cheap substitute for gasoline as a motive power. The laboratory site is on land owned by R. Y. Youkum, Enrich's millionaire backer. Enrich visited the Ford plant in Long Island City yesterday to arrange to supply his substitute for hobbitt metal at half cost. The Ford plants use seven and one-half tons of hobbitt metal daily, it is said.

Chauffeur Picks Up \$1000 Dog Publicity certainly helped the cause of "Billy," the \$1000 pet pomeranian dog of Mrs. T. B. Warner, of the St. James Annex. The dog strayed from his luxurious home last Sunday and for many hours was sought by scores of private detectives, not to mention members of the police force. "Billy," however, has returned, having been picked up by a chauffeur on Broad street near the Walton Hotel. The driver took him home, gave the dog a meal, and then learned his identity through a newspaper.

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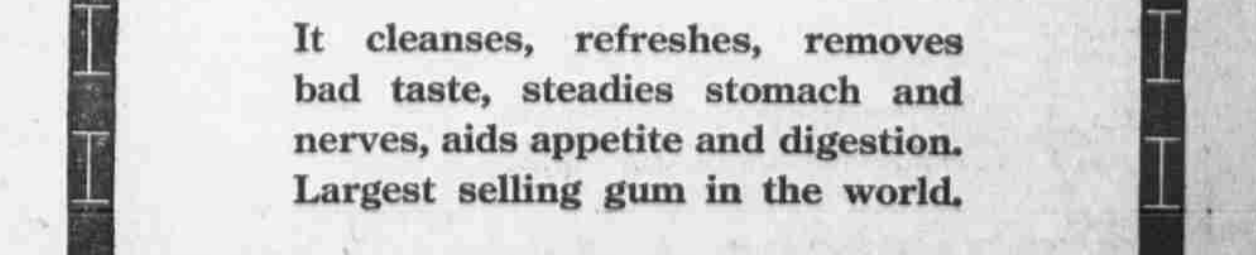
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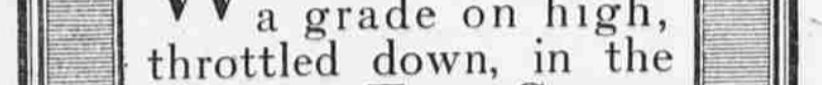
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