SINN FEIN LEADERS TO MEET NATIONALISTS

Will Confer on Irish Draft Plan at Invitation of Dublin Mayor

PRESS IS INFLAMED

All Except Unionist Newspapers Violent in Comment Upon Lloyd George Proposal

Dublin, April 12.

Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein organization, and Prof. Edward de Valera, one of the leaders of that organization, have consented to meet John Dillon, chairman of the Nationalist party, and Joseph Devlin, Irish Nationalist member of Parliament for Belfast, for a conference on the conscription question. The meeting will take place next week upon invitation of the Lord Mayor of Dublin.

The tone of the native Nationalist press articles is exceedingly violent, and probably will provoke much mischief throughout the country. Official and unofficial newspapers have forgot their quarrels in their common fear of conscription. They declare compulsion can be enforced in Ireland only at the cost of much bloodshed and with military loss, rather than military advantage, to British forces on the western front.

These newspapers refuse to consider the empire's need or Ireland's danger. They believe, or pretend to believe, the Government's proposals are the outcome of a political conspiracy to kill home rule. There never was a time when sobriety and a sense of responsibility were more urgently needed. The Nationalist press never has time to bother with casualties, which are more conspicuous by their absence.

Welcomed by Unionists

The Irish Unionist press welcomes the Government's proposals, but does not underrate the difficulties of the situation. It admits the enforcement of conscription will cause trouble in Ireland, but blames the Government and its mismanagement of the whole problem during the last two years. The Irish Times begs the Nationalist party to reconsider its attitude. It presumes the cabinet does not propose to make Ireland begin at the point where Britain ends, but will demand at the outset only really young men who can be spared from agriculture, shipbuilding and other essential industries. The Irish Times estimates the number of such men at about 150,000.

London, April 12.—It is reported from Ireland that absolute calm prevails among the Sinn Fein party, but it is understood orders have been given to all sections of the Irish volunteers regarding action to be taken in the event Irish conscription is agreed upon.

At meetings of many public bodies, the dispatch adds, fiery speeches have been made and strong resolutions passed against application of the man-power bill to Ireland.

Irishmen maintain the right to say whether they shall be conscripted or not. Captain William A. Redmond, son of the late John E. Redmond, declared in his first speech in the House of Commons since he was elected to the constituency formerly held by his father. His speech was during discussion of the Government man-power bill. The captain was in military uniform and occupied his father's old seat in the House.

In 1914, he said, Ireland was almost ablaze with enthusiasm on the side of the Allies, but the sentiment of the Irish people had since changed toward the war, owing to distrust of the British Government and in the word of British ministers.

By the Government's present action the Ireland of tomorrow, he added, would be in open hostility to the war. It would require armies in Ireland to recruit battalions, while if the Government trusted Ireland that trust would not be betrayed. Captain Redmond warned the House that if the Government pursued its present policy there would soon be no Irish party in the House of Commons, but there would be a much harder nut to crack—Ireland.

After Captain Redmond had spoken, a sensational scene arose in the House. Leifchild Jones, Liberal for Nottinghamshire, demanded on whose advice the Government was acting in deciding to conscript Ireland. Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of Recruiting, rose to address the House, but the Nationalist members shouted for Chief Secretary Duke to speak.

Sir Auckland tried to speak, but his voice was drowned by shouts of "Duke! Duke!" The Speaker of the House appealed for order, whereupon Joseph Devlin excitedly demanded to know where the Irish Government stood in the matter. The disorders continued, however.

John Dillon appealed to his friends to allow Sir Auckland a hearing and Andrew Bonar Law eventually promised that Mr. Duke should participate in the discussion of the Irish clause. Sir Auckland Geddes was then allowed to speak. He gave some explanations on details of the bill and strongly emphasized its urgency from a military viewpoint.

DELAWARE'S GOVERNOR BUYS BOND

The first bond of the third Liberty Loan issue sold in the State of Delaware was purchased by Governor John G. Townsend, Jr. The photograph was taken at the entrance to the State House at Dover and shows him buying the bond from Mrs. Walter Morris, chairman of the Kent County committee, and Mrs. Henry Ridgely, chairman of the State women's Liberty Loan committee.

'HOBO KING' ABDICATES THRONE BECAUSE DEMOCRACY IS AT WAR

Jeff Davis Becomes a Plain "Ace," Monarchs Being "on the Fritz"—Returns From Trenches and Urges Buying Liberty Bonds

New York, April 12.

"Hoboless days" are in order.

This is vouched for by Jeff Davis, erstwhile king of the hoboes, but now self-styled "Hobo Ace." Let Jeff tell it:

"No more of that king of the hoboes stuff for mine, old-timer. I've just blew in on a lumber boat from Europe and I've got a yen against kings. I'm the hobo ace. Tell it to my friends.

"And say, listen, friend, there's only a few of us left now. The hobo was always willing to work if he could get the job, and now it's so easy to grab off the long green that you can travel from here to the coast without meeting 'Frisco Slim,' 'A-No.-1' or any of the rest of the gang. They're makin' bullets."

The imperator of the knights of the road was asked why they turned especially to making bullets.

"Say, that's easy," was his reply. "They know that if the Kaiser wins everything will go on the bum again and they don't want conditions to put them back in Hotel De Ginks, where they spar for meals and hit their flop every night without knowing whether tomorrow is going to bring its Java and or its thousand on a plate."

For the enlightenment of the gentle reader it might be interjected here that "Java and" is coffee and rolls and "a thousand on a plate" is none other than your old friends the Boston baked beans.

"And listen, about that Java and, and thousand on a plate," the premier globe-trotter continued. "That makes the hobo one of the most valuable citizens this country has. He's so used to short rations that he can Hooverize and do his bit without suffering like others. And he's doin' his bit, too. Don't forget that. If it wasn't for him there'd be no crops, for he has flocked to the farms. And not only is he Hooverizing, but he's 'cooperizing'."

This was too much for the lay mind, so Jeff was asked to explain "cooperizing."

"Why," he replied, apparently astonished at the lack of know, "that's saving on rent. You live in a coop, which is hobo talk for furnished room. That's the way to help win the war. Save $20 a week of the heavy dough and buy Liberty Bonds with it. The hobo's doing that too. Watch his smoke!"

Jeff has just completed his fourth trip around the world, making a total mileage for him in twenty-two years of 700,000. He has been in Europe, where he was "bumped" twice by shrapnel, and was smuggled out of Germany by some fellow-hoboes in the German army. He has a message for Americans.

"I've seen our boys in the trenches," he said, "backing German liquid fire without a murmur, and if you folks back home don't help them, you're ungrateful, that's all. Anybody who listens to disloyalty is driving nails in democracy's cause."

It was rumored that Jeff cleaned up on war stocks, but this he denies, although he rather reluctantly concedes that he did capitalize the rumor in Cuba and dance with a lot of society folks who thought the report was true. He has just established a new hobo's hotel in Atlantic City, christened the "Water Tank," and persuaded a hotel owner to join in the move. This owner placed the bridal suite at the disposal of Jeff, but he declined on the grounds that his comrades might "knock him for a ghoul" if they heard of it.

Among the notables who belong to the hoboes' organization are "Charlie" Chaplin, nine United States Senators, eight Representatives, fifteen Mayors and three Governors.

WOUND DECORATION FOR COL. ANDERSON

Former Jersey Mustering Officer One of First to Get Honor

CHANGES AT CAMP DIX

Transfer of Major Failing Causes Regret in 311th Infantry

Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., April 12.—Colonel A. V. P. Anderson, commanding the 312th Infantry here, is one of the first American officers to win the new decoration awarded by the War Department to United States soldiers who have been wounded in action. A small gold emblem in the form of a "V," which the colonel wore on his right sleeve, gave members of his regiment their first intimation.

Colonel Anderson was shot in the right arm in September, 1915, while with a detachment of the Sixth Cavalry in a clash with Mexican bandits near Progresso, Ari., a week after the Columbus raid.

Officers and men of the 311th Infantry learned with regret of orders relieving Major Brighton E. Failing, regimental surgeon, of duty with the regiment. Captain William G. Hunter, his assistant, also is relieved and both will report to the base hospital for special duties.

Captain Drew R. Handley, heretofore attached to the 307th Field Artillery, and Captain Henry Lang, with the 302d sanitary train, have been assigned as new medical officers for the South Jerseymen. Captain Charles R. Coll has been assigned as new medical officer for the 302d sanitary train and Lieutenant Nicholas K. Edrington succeeds him as commander of sanitary squad A.

Graduation exercises will be conducted by Major General Scott for several hundred students of the officers' training camp on Saturday, April 20. About 75 per cent of the 800 men at the school have demonstrated their fitness, and their diplomas will be commissions as second lieutenants. A number of reviews will be held for the students during the coming week.

The largest communion service ever held in Camp Dix brought to a close the Catholic mission conducted during the last week by the Dominican Fathers, of New York. More than 2500 soldiers attended the services, which were held in Knights of Columbus buildings Nos. 1 and 2. Religious services were also held for patients in the base hospital by the Rev. John P. Grady, of Rahway.

Sergeant George L. Dye, who has been attached to the ordnance department here, was transferred to the aviation corps and will report for duty at once at one of the flying camps.

Experts of the psycho-psychiatic board of the War Department has begun among South Jersey boys of the 311th Infantry the final tests on mental health that are to eliminate from the ranks intended for overseas duty any men unfitted to withstand the nerve shock of hard campaigning and battlefield activities. Every officer and man in the Seventy-eighth Division will submit to this examination.

By reorganization and co-ordination of several departments at division headquarters Captain W. B. Davis is made division personnel officer and will have the directing of work of the returns office, records, personnel, insurance and qualifications.

GOVERNOR INVOKES THE SPIRIT OF SONG

Calls on People of State to Organize Community Marching Clubs

Harrisburg, April 12.

Publicly commending the work of Dr. John C. Freund and others interested in community singing, Governor Brumbaugh, in a proclamation issued at noon today, suggests that marching clubs of singers be organized in every community in the State. "The moving masses of singing souls," he says, "will effectively summon all to loyalty and to sacrifice."

The Governor's proclamation follows:

Whereas, When a people is at war it is vital that they be united in spirit. There can be no severance of purpose. We must be spiritually in unison or we cannot nationally survive. There is no more potent power to mold the national will than song. Music is the language of the race universal. It has a meaning that finds interpretation and acceptance in all people. Music is supremely significant in unifying and arousing the American spirit. The rendering of music to our people is not enough. They must make music and become themselves the voice of America, calling to the world for justice, righteousness and victory. This soul-call will best universalize itself if our people sing and march. The moving masses of singing souls will effectively summon all to loyalty and to sacrifice; and.

Whereas, Mr. John C. Freund and many others in this war crisis sensitively feel this opportunity and have called upon our people to give effective and practical expression to the spirit of America in song and procession.

Now, therefore, I, Martin Grove Brumbaugh, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do call upon and earnestly urge all of our people in all communities in this Commonwealth to organize marching clubs or singers. With flag and band to lead, let our children and our men and women march the streets of our cities and the paths of our people with songs of the republic and with stately hymns of religious fervor.

Let all lovers of music meet and plan to do this high service. Let all our people heartily co-operate. Let our municipal officials publicly commend the movement. Let our newspapers urge its importance, and let Pennsylvania be first and best in giving, by marching bands of singers, lofty expression of loyalty to God and to country.

It is believed Governor Brumbaugh's call on the patriotic sense of the people will result in the organization of singing clubs in every part of the State, which produced many similar bodies during the Civil War and the war with Spain.

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Have crossed belt, set-in pockets and pearl buttons. Sizes 14 and 16.

Basket-Weave Frocks, $3.49
Two-piece jacket style. In rose or Copenhagen with embroidered white piqué collar and cuffs, crossed belt and patch pockets. Sizes 8 to 14.

Lingerie Dresses, $7.98
Of Persian lawn trimmed with lace, embroidery and ribbon. Sizes 8 to 14. Pictured.

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Gray buck, champagne kid and white buck, trimmed with combination of same leather. New long vamp models. Military heels. Wing tips of leather.

Men's $5 Shoes and Oxfords.... $3.98
Tan calf in English last.

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Infants' $1.50 to $2 Shoes & Pumps 98c
Patent coltskin, white kidskin and tan kidskin. Sizes 1 to 5.

Children's $2 to $2.50 Shoes & Pumps..... $1.59
White Nubuck, patent coltskin and tan calfskin. Sizes 4 to 8 in lot.

Misses' $2.50 to $3.50 High & Low Shoes.. $2.39
White Nubuck, patent coltskin and gun-metal. Sizes 11½ to 2.

Children's $2.75 to $3.50 Pumps & Oxfords, $2.19
One and two strap pumps. Dull and shiny leather; also white Nubuck. Sizes 8½ to 11.

Boys' $3.50 to $4 Shoes, $2.69
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The poplin and velour coats at this price also show diversions of collar and pockets.

Misses' Serge and Poplin Suits..... $25
Serge, in spring shades with braid-trimmed Eton jackets and skirts in graduated tunic style. One sketched.
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Winsome taffeta frocks with three-tiered skirt and Georgette crepe sleeves.
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Women's Coats and Capes $25
Spring-weight velour in navy blue, buffan, clay, Pekin blue and Quaker gray. Shirred and clever belted—some with over-collars of white bengaline. Satin lining.
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PARENTS IMPEACH THEIR IDLING SONS

Patriotic Mother Appeals to Reading Mayor to Put Loafer to Work

Reading, Pa., April 12.

Appeals are coming to Mayor Filbert from all sides, by telephone and letter, from parents who want the Mayor to put their husky idling sons to work or send them to the army, where they can serve their country.

Here is a sample of letters received by the Mayor:

Dear Sir—Will write you to let you know that I have a son nearly twenty-four years old, a big, strong man, six feet tall. He has never worked for us and we can't get him to do anything. He hangs around the poolroom day and night. It is a shame for the country to have such men walking around at such a time like our country is in when so many men are needed to help win the war.

Now, Mayor, we have several children at home. My girls all work and father works every day. Such a big son ought to help along. I wish you would use all the power you can to make him work or call him in front of you. Now do with him whatever you see fit. Do it as soon as you can. This is from his father and mother.

The announcement by the Mayor that the police have about 200 names of young men who are virtually in the class of habitual loafers has hit a responsive chord in many homes, and there are any number of patriotic parents who would give the Mayor assistance.

Philadelphia Man in Navy Dies

Word has been received here of the death of John McCorkle, a negro, twenty-eight years old, a mess attendant in the navy. A sister, Mrs. Viola Johnson, lives at 1816 North Ringgold street. It is expected the body will be shipped to Virginia, where he lived.

QUEER APRIL WEATHER HITS ORCHARDS HARD

Reports of Damage Coming From Maryland and Southern Pennsylvania

Washington, April 12.

Extraordinary April weather is being experienced by southern New England and the Middle Atlantic coast districts—sleet, snow and driving rain accompanying a high northeast wind blowing along much of the coast from Cape Hatteras to Cape Cod.

The Weather Bureau reported temperatures from 20 to 30 degrees below the seasonal average, but nowhere had they reached the freezing point. In most of the storm-swept area, however, they were only a few degrees above it.

Wind and hail did a great deal of damage to fruit trees in northern Maryland and southern Pennsylvania counties. In the country near Hagerstown, Md., $250,000 in damage to plum, apricot and pear trees is reported. At Cumberland orchardists have canceled basket orders on account of the extensive damage.

Baltimore also received reports of damage to orchards. Other than to fruits no great damage is reported. The peach orchards in Delaware have not suffered.

The cyclonic depression of Wednesday night off the Carolina coast, instead of passing to sea, as the weather forecaster had predicted, increased in intensity yesterday and began moving slowly northeastward. High northeast winds blew over the Virginia and North Carolina coasts during the day and last night they reached as far as Nantucket, where the wind attained a velocity of forty-two miles an hour. At Cape Henry the wind blew fifty-two miles an hour, but had moderated this morning.

Naval officials felt some uneasiness about the safety of some of the small patrol boats cruising off the coast. No news of marine disasters had been received from the coast ports early today.