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ULSTER AUTHORITIES ARREST HUNDREDS OF IRISH REPUBLICANS

Every Officer of Irish Republican Army That Can Be Found in Six Counties Is Arrested—Most of Them Are Aroused From Bed.

BELFAST, May 23.—The Ulster authorities today arrested every officer of the Irish Republican army that could be found in the six counties of northern Ireland. Hundreds were seized in a surprise round-up, most of them being taken from bed.

The Ulster government announced that members of the Irish republican army, Irish republican brotherhood, Irish volunteers, the Sinn Fein, girl guides and boy scouts were liable to arrest and prosecution.

The big encircling movement was begun at about 4 o'clock, and the work of visiting the various houses, town and county, was rapidly carried out. Several hundred members of the constabulary and a large staff of officers were on duty from midnight completing the arrangements. Most of those wanted were completely surprised and in nearly every instance were aroused from sleep.

As part of the comprehensive scheme embracing all of Ulster the special police were active in Fermanagh during the night and early morning, arresting every Sinn Fein known to be an officer or to have authority in the ranks of the Irish republican army. Only about 60 Irish republican army officers were captured in Fermanagh, but it is learned the authorities are making a fairly clean sweep of the men who exercised influence in the ranks of the army in that part of Ulster.

In Belfast 52 were arrested, but these did not include any well-known party leaders, while the Falls road section, with its big republican population, was entirely unrepresented.

Absence of the republicans from their homes is ascribed to anticipation of reprisals for the assassination of W. J. Twaddell, member of the Ulster Parliament.

In county Londonderry, 14 arrests were made, those taken including several members of the irregular forces operating in the eastern part of county Donegal.

THE REVOLUTION IN NICARAGUA IS ENDED

Most Serious Phase of Attempted Uprising Is Ended—American Marines on Duty.

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, May 22.—Surrender of the fortress of La Loma to the government forces last night appears to have ended the serious phase of the attempted revolution.

After capturing the fort, the rebel leaders attempted to win over the Nicaraguan troops in barracks at the foot of the hill on which the fort is situated. Several officers had been bribed and the movement would have succeeded but for the unexpected appearance of President Chamorro.

Without a guard, and by force of character, he dominated the situation. Putting a machine gun in charge of a trusted man, he ordered the arrest of Salvador Castillon, leader of the revolutionists. The soldiers wavered, but finally obeyed, and the other revolutionist leaders fled back to the fort.

The American minister arrived at this juncture and warned the revolutionists that if they fired on the city the fort would be returned by American marines stationed here.

By an agreement signed under the auspices of the American legation, the revolutionary leaders were freed today, much to the surprise of the people, who had expected they would be either imprisoned or shot.

Another band of revolutionists, organized by minor leaders of the liberals or opposition party, assembled on a hill called Metastepe, four miles from the city, this morning, but was dispersed by government troops and fled to the mountains. No further disorder was reported and normal conditions apparently have been restored.

The uprising is ascribed to a factional fight within the conservative party and opposition to the members of the cabinet and others of the president's advisers.

Georgia Mob Storms Jail And Takes Negro Sentenced to Hang

One of Guards and One of the Mob Slightly Wounded—Negro Was Convicted Two Years Ago But His Sentence Has Been Held Up in Courts.

(By The Associated Press.)

IRWINGTON, Ga., May 23.—A mob of 50 or 60 persons stormed the Wilkinson county jail at an early hour this morning and after a battle, in which one of the guards and a member of the mob were slightly wounded, removed Jim Denson, a negro, sentenced to hang on June 16, on a charge of criminal assault.

After securing the negro, the mob placed a rope around his neck and hurried off in automobiles, with him. Up to an early hour today no trace of the missing negro had been found by the sheriff and his deputies, although they are convinced he has been lynched.

Denson was convicted in the superior court here more than two years ago on a charge of criminally assaulting a 72-year-old white woman. A long legal battle followed, in which Denson's execution was postponed several times. The case finally reached the supreme court of the United States, which affirmed the verdict of the lower courts.

Because of threats of lynching which officers say had been made here, Denson was removed sometime ago to Bibb county jail at Macon for safekeeping. Yesterday he was carried back to Irwington to be sentenced. The judge ordered guards placed at the jail to prevent any attempt to escape. Court officials and peace officers did not believe that any attempt would be made at lynching.

Members of the mob appeared at the jail at midnight, the guards stated, arriving in seven automobiles. They demanded that Denson be turned over to them. The two guards, John B. Stanley and J. R. Bell, refused and fired a volley of shots into the mob, they said.

One of the members of the mob is believed by the guards to have been wounded, for the raiders left the jail immediately. At 1 o'clock they returned and again stormed the jail. Guard Stanley was slightly wounded during the exchange of shots, and C. H. Richards, one of the prisoners, was also hit by one of the bullets and wounded slightly.

Gaining entrance to the jail members of the mob with crowbars removed the iron bars of Denson's cell and hastened away with the frightened and trembling negro. The guards stated that a rope was around Denson's neck when the mob left with him.

Sheriff L. P. Clark, of Wilkinson county, stated at noon today that he had been unable to locate Denson. Officers searched along the river for 15 miles and went to the original scene of the crime but have been unable to find any trace of the negro. The search is still being maintained.

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PLAN TO FLY AROUND THE WORLD BY AIR

LONDON, May 23.—In an attempt to fly around the world by air, two British aviators plan to hop off from the flying field at Croydon at noon tomorrow. The aviators, Major W. T. Blake, of the Royal Air Force, and Captain Norman MacMillan, expect to complete their trip in two months.

The route lies through France, Italy, Greece, Egypt, Mesopotamia, India, Eastern China, Japan, thence via the Aleutian islands to Alaska, through the United States to New York, to Newfoundland, and across the Atlantic via Greenland and Iceland to Scotland.

The record making trip was first visualized by Sir Ross and Sir Keith Smith, of Australia, but the latter abandoned his plans when his brother was killed recently in a reparatory flight.

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Citizens of Columbus To Take Action Against Terrorism At A Big Mass Meeting Tonight

Following the Bombing of Mayor Dimon's Home and Threatening Letters, People of Georgia City Are Aroused As Never Before—Fight Is Against Managerial Form of Government and City Manager.

(By The Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS, Ga., May 23.—Action against terrorism is to be taken tonight, according to the committee in charge, at the biggest mass meeting ever held in the history of Columbus, following the bombing of the home of Mayor J. Homer Dimon, early Sunday morning.

The meeting was called by a steering committee appointed by President McClellay, of the Chamber of Commerce, late yesterday afternoon. A committee was named by the head of the trade body from the city and county commission and the local papers to handle the affair and plans have practically been completed at an early hour today.

Indignation reigns throughout the city since the attempt against the life of the mayor Sunday. Since Sunday the only topic of conversation on the streets has been the explosion. The newspapers have taken a strong hand in the matter and editorials written in the strongest language possible have appeared daily.

During Monday the chamber of commerce, American Legion, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks passed resolutions condemning the bombing. The employees of the National Shoe Case Company, of which Mayor Dimon is president, went further than any of the others, with the exception of the Ku Klux Klan, who offered a reward of \$1,000 and made up \$500 to add to the rewards already announced.

Two more missives warning the mayor and city manager that their lives were still in danger and "this is our last warning," were received late yesterday by the mayor. The first warning was issued on April 24, a few days after an attack on City Manager H. Gordon Hinkle, which he managed to escape with a slight cut on the head, from which he soon recovered.

One of the missives was a post card, which was signed K. K. K., while the other, a letter, was unsigned. They were mailed in Columbus Monday morning and delivered by postal authorities.

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SEARCH FOR TWO MEN BELIEVED TO BELONG TO A BLACK MAIL GANG

Walter S. Ward, Prominent Young New York Business Man Shoots One of Gang That Blackmailed Him for \$30,000 and Wanted \$75,000 More—Searching New York For Two Members.

(By The Associated Press.)

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., May 23.—Search for two men known only as "Ross" and "Jack," declared by Walter S. Ward, of New Rochelle, N. Y., to have been present when he shot and killed Clarence Peters, of Haverhill, Mass., near here the night of May 15, was continued by West Chester county officials today. Ward, after confessing he had killed a member of a gang that had blackmailed him for \$30,000 more, went to New York last night in company of officers and conducted a search of resorts where he declared the men wanted might be found. It was an unsuccessful quest. Ward, who is the son of the president of the Ward banking company, is at liberty under a bail bond of \$30,000. He was accompanied to New York by Sheriff George J. Werner, and four deputies, who were joined by two New York detectives.

The sheriff said that Ross was a "confidence man of the highest caliber," while "Jack," the only name the other is known by, is the type of a chaffeur. He added that Ross was the better dressed of the gang and is about 26 years old. The names of the blackmail plots remains untraced as the lawyers representing Ward decline to make public any of the bundles of letters given them by Ward, which he received in the six weeks he was being threatened.

The telephone call which resulted in the meeting by Ward, of the men the day of the killing, was said to have been the threat by Peters. "We want \$75,000 or your life will pay." This is the threat in the only letter disclosed. Sheriff Werner said that he had read a threatening letter with a demand for that sum.

When Elwood M. Babenold, counsel for Ward, was asked if there was a woman in the case, he answered: "The threats were aimed at his family."

Allen R. Campbell, another of the lawyers, was asked if the blackmail plot involved a woman and answered, "I don't think I should answer that question."

"Did he start, as reported, at a race track?" "I think it did."

"Did it involve Ward's war record?" "I can assure you that it did not," answered Mr. Campbell.

Mrs. Ward said that she had not known of the plot for very long and added: "I'm with my husband and I want to do everything I can for him. I have the utmost confidence in him. I am sorry that I cannot answer any further questions."

Much surprise is displayed in New Rochelle that Ward waited for almost a week before surrendering himself, especially as he was known as a strict disciplinarian in his position as chairman of the police commission.

49 EMPLOYEES OF
N. Y. POSTOFFICE HAD
CRIMINAL RECORDS.

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Discovery through "finger printing" that 49 of the 460 employees of the registry division of the New York postoffice had criminal records was reported to President Harding today by Acting Postmaster General Bartlett upon his return from an investigation of the New York office. All of the 49 have been dropped from the service, Mr. Bartlett said.

The Acting Postmaster General told the President the discovery came during his inquiry into the arrest last Thursday of seven employees of the office which arrest, postal officials assert, cleared up postal robberies extending over the last six months and involving nearly \$200,000. The arrests also are said to have thwarted a gigantic robbery planned for last Friday night in the registry division itself.

Mr. Bartlett declared that the men arrested had admitted that they had secured employment in the registry division for the purpose of robbing the mails. Mr. Bartlett said he had ordered all of the 15,000 employees of the New York office be required to have "finger-print impressions made. Both Postmaster Morgan and himself, he added, "were finger printed" and he was of the opinion that such a step would be of benefit to the service, eliminating the untrustworthy and protecting the great bulk of honest employees.

FOX AND KIRBY TO BE
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COLUMBIA, S. C., May 23.—S. I. Kirby, C. O. Fox and Jesse Gappins, the murder trio who were last year convicted of the murder of William Brazell, a Columbia taxi driver, and who were pursued prior to their trial through this state and a part of Georgia, appeals later delaying their execution, were to be taken to Lexington this morning, to be sentenced again to the electric chair by Judge Devore, who is presiding over a criminal court in Lexington.

Solicitor Callison stated this morning that the men would be brought into the courtroom at noon in accordance with Judge Devore's order and sentence would be passed forthwith. The men were to be taken to Lexington by automobile.

A girl in love is often unable to express her thoughts, but it's quite different at...

THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight; Wednesday partly cloudy; probably local showers in west portion; little change in temperature.