

PRIEST HELD UP IN TRALEE

SINN FEIN HALL BURNED DOWN.

(From "Cork Examiner.")

Monday.

On Sunday night a newly ordained priest with a friend cycled to Tralee to hire a motor car, and on their way home they were held up and subjected to disgraceful treatment. Before getting outside the town the car broke down, and with the assistance of some Munster Fusiliers they pushed it into a back lane for safety. The young priest and his friend obtained two bicycles and were proceeding down town, bringing with them a tin of petrol from the motor when they were held up by a party of uniformed men.

Questioned, the ecclesiastic answered that he was a priest. He was then asked where he was doing duty, and he replied California. The retort made was "California to hell." Being subjected to severe cross-examination as to the petrol by various members of the party, and nobody apparently taking much notice of his answers he asked not to be subjected to such persecution, assuring them he would explain.

In the meantime his friend received some strokes with the butts of rifles, while language of a shocking character was used. The click of rifles was heard, and one which was pointed at the young priest was diverted by the officer in charge.

Subsequently the motor car was taken, and so far the young priest is unable to trace its whereabouts.

This morning a sailor proceeding to the military barracks was relieved of a wireless apparatus.

Ballymacelligott Sinn Fein Hall was set on fire on Sunday night and totally destroyed. The conflagration was noticed after motors had passed.

GALWAY SCENES.

Bombing and Shooting.

A telegram on Saturday said:—During Curfew-hour's last night in Galway, the vicinity of Eyre Square was thrown into a state of terror by rifle fire.

About 11 o'clock a motor lorry passed round the Square, and came to a standstill opposite the National Bank. Almost immediately shots rang out, and these were followed by two explosions.

Subsequently the lorry drove along Williamsgate street, and seven or eight further shots were discharged. The shooting lasted for about ten minutes.

This morning it was discovered that the office of Mr. Louis E. O'Dea, solicitor, Urban Councillor, had been bombed, and that bullets had been fired through the office and bedroom windows. Two holes were bored in the floor of the office apparently by bombs thrown through the window.

Pieces of metal and brass were found in the office by the clerks this morning.

The shattered window bears evidence of a number of bullet marks, and one bullet passed through the bedroom upstairs and penetrated the ceiling.

Some of the bullets fired through the office window penetrated the folding doors, passed through the partition separating the private office, through the back window, and into the yard.

The shop window of Mr. Patrick Moylette, wholesale and retail grocer, was shattered. A bullet was also fired through the glass door, and a hole was bored in the shop apparently by a bomb or hand grenade, which damaged the cashier's desk.

The bedroom occupied by Mr. Tom Nolan, who has recently opened a drapery establishment, and Mr. Edward Morgan, Secretary of the local Drapers' Assistants' Association, was searched at eight o'clock this morning by four policemen. Nothing was found.

Mr. Moylette has received 24 hours' notice from the police to vacate his private residence, The Retreat, at Salt-hill.

Maritimo, Salthill, the residence of Dr. Bartly O'Boirne, tuberculosis medical officer, is also commandeered. Dr. O'Boirne got until Tuesday next to leave the building, which he only purchased recently.

A Press Association message states that during Curfew hours on Saturday night parties of men, carrying revolvers and electric torches, and wearing black and white masks, visited the houses of three local residents, and in each instance took a daughter into the street and out off her hair.

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THE LATE MISS PEARL VALE

Impressive Funeral Ceremonies.

The G.S. and W.R. Station and precincts were thronged with people on Tuesday evening, awaiting the arrival from Dublin of the remains of the late Miss Pearl Vale. All classes and creeds of the community were assembled there to pay their last respects to the memory of the deceased, and as the train steamed in, a melancholy calm overhung the awaiting throng. The funeral cortege to St. John's Mortuary Chapel was a striking testimony of her popularity in her native town and, it is hoped, will serve as a source of consolation to her bereaved mother and family, for whom the deepest sympathy is felt. The Cumann na mBan, of which she was a prominent member, marched after the coffin. The remains were received by Rev. W. S. Behan.

On the following morning, Wednesday, at 10 o'clock, Requiem High Mass was celebrated in St. John's Church for the repose of her soul and was attended by a large congregation constituted of her wide circle of relatives and friends. Rev. W. S. Behan was Celebrant; Rev. Joseph Breen, C.C., Millstreet, Deacon; Rev. Charles Brennan, C.C., Millstreet, Sub-Deacon; and Rev. C. Hillee, Master of Ceremonies. There were also present Rev. J. Casey and Rev. W. Ferris, Tralee; and Rev. Thos. Gogarty, Drogheda.

After Mass absolution was performed at the catafalque by Rev. W. S. Behan, assisted by the other priests present.

The funeral left at 2.30 p.m. for the family burial ground, the New Cemetery, and was one of the largest as well as the most representative that passed through the town for many years. It was attended by people from all over Kerry and many outside counties, and formed a most impressive spectacle. The Tralee Catholic Ladies' Club, of which deceased was an active member since its foundation, was well represented in the cortege. The coffin was borne to the grave by her friends and was surrounded by a bodyguard from the Cumann na mBan, preceded by fourteen or fifteen clergy on foot, eight of whom were surplices. At the entrance to the cemetery the members of the bodyguard formed up at each side, making a passage for the people to pass in.

The clergy who officiated at the grave-side were Rev. W. S. Behan, Rev. J. Casey, Rev. C. Hillee, Rev. W. Ferris, Rev. Prior Ayres, O.P., Holycross; Rev. Collins, O.P., Holycross; Rev. Charles Brennan; Rev. J. Breen; Rev. T. Gogarty; Rev. A. O'Sullivan, C.C., Milltown; Rev. J. S. Dillon, C.C., Ardfer; Rev. Fr. Smith, Boherbec; Cork; and Rev. Jas. Slattery, C.C., Aungaboula.

As a conclusion to the decade of the Rosary was recited in Irish by the Cumann na mBan and answered by the large numbers of people present for the repose of the soul of the deceased.

The chief mourners were—Mrs. Vale (mother); Messrs. John, Joseph, and Thomas Vale (brothers); Mrs. Norton (aunt); the Misses Milly Norton and Mae O'Brien, and Messrs. Jack and George Norton, and James and John Daly (cousins); Mr. Frank Cronin (nephew); Mrs. Whitty and Miss Maureen Whitty, Mrs. Barrett, Cork; the Misses Kato and Molly Breen, Killarney; the Misses Margaret and Agnes Gogarty, Messrs. Frank and Vincent Gogarty, Drogheda; Mr. D. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fitzgerald, Ardfer; Mrs. Doyle and Miss H. Flynn.

It would be quite impossible to give a complete list of the numerous dear friends of the deceased who were present.

The following wreaths were sent:—With Deepest Sympathy—L. McMahon, Ballinagow; Flor Cuimne o Cumann na mBan; From Kitty and Bill; From Maureen; With loving Sympathy from Sisters of Mercy, Moyderwell; With Deepest Anguish from her loving Frank; With heartfelt sorrow for our dear friend Pearl from Kate M'Breen, Killarney; With Sincere Regret from Sr. M. Louis; With Deepest Sympathy from Committee of Catholic Girls' Club; From Mae, Milly and George; With Deepest Sympathy from her loving Godson, Thomas F. Powell; With Sincere Sympathy from Mercy Convent, St. John's; In Deepest Sympathy from Mrs. Tuomey and family; With Deepest Sympathy from Mr. and Mrs. Reid and family; With Deepest Sympathy from Ned and Bride; In Fond Remembrance of dearest Pearl from Peggy Hayes; With Sincere Sympathy from Staff of Donovans; With Deepest Sympathy from Sister M. Angela.

TRALED BY VOLUNTEERS—George Howlett, a boy of 11, missing from St. Patrick's Square, Cobh, for the past week, was located on board a Moore and McCormack vessel at Cork by Volunteers, who sent him home.

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The Chairman, in reply to Mr. McClure, said they had forwarded £2,000 this year to the Board of Works. The principal and interest payable on the loan amounted to £4,000 and the Co. Council was liable for the balance.

The Chairman said the Admiralty furnished an account in which they show they owed the Board £126, and the Secretary said they owed £600.

The Board thought it was a matter for the auditor to have his attention called to it; and Mr. Cahill raised the question that the auditor had already certified the amount given by the Sec. and he did not see why it should be referred to him again.

The matter dropped.

THE BELFAST EXPELLED WORKERS' FUND.

Letter from the Rev. T. Trant, P.P.

The following letter from Rev. T. Trant, P.P., has been received:—

The Presbytery, Ballymacollig, Co. Kerry, 13-9-1920.

Dear Father Convery.—I have much pleasure in enclosing cheque for £73 2s 10d, proceeds of a collection made at the church door here for the sorely-tried Belfast expelled workers. The lamentable state of affairs in the North is to us, Southerners, one of those psychological puzzles not easy of solution. We have a number of Protestant families in this parish, and the kindly relations existing between them and their Catholic neighbours cannot be too highly commended and praised. It would seem, then, that it is not Protestantism but Orangeism, intensified by Orangeism, that is the root cause of all this un-Christian conduct in the North. Evidently these Orangemen are fully determined to secure for Belfast the unenviable notoriety of its being the last place in the civilised world where man's inhumanity to man will be allowed to die and be damned.—With best wishes,

I am, sincerely yours,

T. TRANT, P.P.

KILLARNEY RAIDS.

LOOKING FOR ARBITRATION COURT.

Asylum and Union Buildings Searched

At 11.15 on Monday morning, armed military and police in three motor lorries arrived at the Killarney Union, and made a thorough search of the entire buildings, including boardroom, offices, male and female hospitals, infirm wards, boys' and girls' school-rooms, in quest of an Arbitration Court. A military officer, accompanied by D. I. Dignan, entered the boardroom, and asked the acting clerk if an Arbitration Court was being held there. He got a reply in the negative, to which the officer retorted "Better luck next time."

While this raid was in progress armed military and police visited the lunatic asylum. The re-re portion of the institution was examined and searched but the patients' wards were not inspected. A female patient became very violent when she saw the Crown forces and had to be restrained.

MILITARY SEIZE MAILS.

AT CORK AND LIMERICK.

Censorship Believed to be the Object.

Cork, Friday. The military taking a leaf out of the S.F. book, have apparently adopted similar means to procure information about the movements of the forces opposed to them in this country.

On the arrival of the mail train from Dublin in the early hours of this morning a force of military were in waiting at the Cork terminus of the line, and immediately boarded the train.

They took charge of all mails, which they removed to a lorry, and drove off to Victoria barracks. The object, it is stated, being to abstract the letters and documents addressed to prominent members of the Sinn Fein organisation in Cork.

Limerick, Friday. A strange occurrence took place at Limerick to-day on the arrival of the goods train about 9 a.m. this morning.

Military in waiting at once took possession of all letters, etc., from home, cross-Channel, and foreign sources, which they placed in vans in readiness for the purpose, and brought to the new barracks for examination and censorship.

It is thought that this examination is proceeding. It is variously accounted for by the public.

The mails are still in possession of the military.

CORK COURT MARTIAL.

Courts martial were again busy at the military barracks, Cork, on Friday, where the following, among others, was tried:—

Denis Spillane, Co. Kerry.—Accused on a charge of being one of an armed party who attacked and disarmed a military guard at Tralee railway station on July 20. The decision will be promulgated in a further charge against accused of having one round of ammunition. The prosecutor read a statement in which accused declared he had been haymaking all day on the occasion of the hold-up; the ammunition he found 4 months previously. Prisoner refused to recognise the court.

CAPTURE OF A POLICE CYPHER.

In County Cork.

Dublin, Friday. Official details reached Dublin to-day of the capture of a police cypher from a police sergeant.

The sergeant was cycling from Mallow to Mitchelstown yesterday when he was held up by a party of armed and masked men, taken down a lane, and searched.

According to the official account the sergeant's daughter, who was with him, was also searched. A copy of the cypher was found on the sergeant and taken away.

FARMING MACHINERY

of every description at O'Keefe's, Pembroke Street, Tralee.

KERRY TRAIN HELD UP

MILITARY PROVISIONS CONFISCATED.

Tralee, Monday Night.—A goods train proceeding from Tralee with military provisions, was held up between Tralee and Gortalea, and a large quantity of military supplies confiscated.

Farmers coming to Tralee pig fair complain of being held up by English policemen this morning and relieved of whatever money they possessed.

The houses of several prominent Sinn Feiners were subjected to vigorous searches to-day, but nothing resulted.

POLICE PATROL AMBUSHED NEAR ABBEYFEALE.

Constable Shot Dead—Two Others Wounded.

A Press Association, Limerick, message says:—A constabulary patrol was ambushed about 11 o'clock on Saturday night near Abbeyfeale and fired on by an armed party of men. Constable Mahony was shot dead and two other members of the patrol, the head constable and a constable, wounded.

A large force of military and constabulary proceeded from Limerick to the scene of the ambush.

Further Particulars. Abbeyfeale, Monday.—On Saturday night a police patrol, consisting of about six, were ambushed by a party of armed men some short distance outside Abbeyfeale, and between the Convent and some cottages on the roadside. The police on being challenged appear to have extended themselves on the road, and in the firing which immediately followed Constable John Mahony fell mortally wounded.

One of the constables ran immediately to the Presbytery, a short distance, and Father Fitzgerald, C.O., and Fr. Carr, C.C., were on the scene in a few minutes and administered the last rites to the dying constable.

Both clergymen accompanied the remains to the barracks.

The Head Constable in charge and another constable were slightly wounded.

The attack appears to have occurred about 11 o'clock, and it was only next morning the townspeople were aware of the terrible occurrence. Father Carr, at first Mass requested the prayers of the congregation for the repose of the soul of Constable Mahony. They had been congratulating themselves on the peaceful state of their parish, when the terrible occurrence of the previous night involved the life of an inoffensive man. He did not think anyone in the parish capable of such a deed, and they extended their sympathy to the deceased's relatives.

Large numbers of soldiers and police arrived in the town. The local Temperance Hall was subsequently barred, Mr. Woulfe's pharmacy was considerably damaged, and the windows broken in Mrs. Leen's and Mr. D. O'Neill's house. Kilkenny Temperance Hall was set on fire, and the office at Devon road Creamery damaged. Military and police have been patrolling the country in search of the raiders.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO QUARTER SESSIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER FOR PUBLISHER'S LICENCE.

TAKE NOTICE that it is my intention to apply at the next Annual Licensing Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held at Killarney, in and for the Division of Killarney, and County of Kerry, on the 11th day of October next, for a Magistrate's Certificate to entitle me to receive a Transfer of Publisher's Licence to Sell Beer, Cider, and Spirits by retail at my dwelling-house, situate at High Street, Killarney, in the Parish of Killarney, Barony of Magonihy, and County of Kerry, from the name of Robert D. Slattery to my own name.

Dated this 15th day of September, 1920.

MARGARET SLATTERY, Applicant.

S. P. TARRANT, Solicitor for Applicant, Killarney.

To William Martin, Esq., J.P., New Street, Killarney; Robert Hilliard, Esq., J.P., High Street, Killarney; John Kelly, Esq., J.P., Main Street, Killarney; Denis McCarty, Esq., J.P., New St., Killarney; D. M. Morarty, Esq., Clerk of Crown and Peace, Peace Office, Tralee; John Dignan, Esq., D.I., R.I.C., for the District of Killarney.

"THE KERRYMAN."

PRICE TO BE INCREASED TO THREEPENCE.

On and after our issue of Saturday, October 2, the price of "The Kerryman" will be raised to Three Pence, and the price of the "Liberator" to Twopence.

The reason for the increase is briefly that owing to the existing high cost of production it is impossible for us to publish the newspapers on sound financial lines at the present price. As soon as conditions alter for the better the price will reduce proportionately, and there are some grounds for hoping that as regards the price of paper—which is now 800 per cent. higher than the pre-war figure—a reduction to something like normal may be looked for within a reasonable period. Some of the leading provincial newspapers, including "The Kilkenny People," "The Carlow Nationalist," "The Leinster Leader," "The Westmeath Independent," "The Roscommon Herald," and "The Connacht Tribune," have already increased the price to Three Pence, and it is only a question of weeks before the other provincial newspapers follow suit. Like "The Kerryman" and "The Liberator," all these newspapers have very extensive circulations, and it is the papers with large circulations that are hit most heavily under existing conditions. The Dublin daily newspapers have all increased their price to 2d. even "The Independent," which was published at 4d up to three years ago; and the evening newspapers, which were also sold at 4d., are now 1d.

From October the following will be the rates of subscription to "The Kerryman," sent by post:—

Quarterly ... 4s. 4d.  
Half-yearly ... 8s. 8d.  
Yearly ... 17s. 6d.

IN THE DUBLIN MOUNTAINS.

Drilling Party Surrounded.

ONE MAN KILLED.

A Press Association telegram says:—News reached Dublin on Sunday of a sensational affair at Enniskerry, in the Dublin mountains, when forty men were captured. They were drilled in a field, where they were surrounded by the Royal Irish Constabulary.

A short fight ensued, in which one man was killed and several wounded.

The coup is believed to have been effected by the police auxiliary corps, which consists largely of ex-service men.

The Central News Dublin Correspondent, telegraphed on Sunday night:—The military carried out a big coup to-day in the Dublin mountains, where sections of the Irish Volunteers at drill were surrounded and captured by large bodies of the military. Over 40 were arrested, and in the course of the struggle, bombs were used, one person being killed and several wounded.

The "Dublin Correspondent" of the "Cork Examiner" wired on Sunday night:—About 40 young men were brought to the Dublin Bridewell tonight guarded by police in khaki. They arrived in six motor lorries. One man was seen to be lying on the bottom of the wagon either dead or wounded.

It is stated that forty Republican Volunteers were drilling in the mountains between Dublin and Enniskerry when they were surprised by a strong force of the new members of the constabulary.

What followed is not yet certain, but when the party scattered and endeavoured to escape fire was opened by the police. Most of the Volunteers were unarmed, and it is still in doubt whether a skirmish took place. Most of the men were eventually rounded up and brought to prison. The official report will be issued later.

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