

\$15,000,000 FIRE PLACES CAP ON ERIN TROUBLES

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ence MacSwiney, who became the hero of the Sinn Féin through his voluntary death for the cause, was formerly lord mayor of Cork.

BRITISH TROOPS IN SOUTH IRELAND.

All of South Ireland is crisscrossed with British troops. Measures are being taken to tighten and possibly extend martial law. All the motor cars were commandeered at Queenstown by British troops, which was interpreted as a preliminary move to more drastic military activity.

The severity with which the British troops are putting down sniping and ambush attacks was revealed from Clonane, County Cork, where bombs were thrown from two houses at a military patrol. The bombers were attacked; one man killed, two others wounded and two made prisoners. Then both houses were burned to the ground.

CORK, Dec. 13.—Heavily armed British troops and black and tan police were on guard about the fire-swept ruins in the heart of Cork under orders to shoot all looters on sight.

The whole central part of the city was burned with loss estimated at \$15,000,000. Hundreds of persons are homeless. Many have fled from the city in panic. Large numbers of refugees from the city passed the night in the fields. Their sufferings were intensified by cold weather and snow.

Business is at a standstill in Cork. Even the restaurants are closed. The city is without gas.

Many streets that were bustling arteries of traffic forty-eight hours ago, were only piles of fire blackened brick today. Four blocks were wiped out entirely. Only the walls of the city hall remain.

Firemen from Dublin arrived during the morning. They were met in the suburbs and conveyed to the scene of the fire by troops.

It is reported that some lives were lost in the burning buildings, but it was impossible to check the civilian population of the general panic and the exodus of thousands.

The firemen, under military guards, still were pouring water on the debris. It is declared by Sinn Féin sympathizers that, before the fires broke out Saturday night, black and tan policemen broke into shops and looted them, carrying off the booty in valises. The con-

flagration followed an ambush of a military detachment at Pillons Cross. Martial law was enforced with the utmost rigors Sunday and today.

Cork was calmed down after passing through a veritable reign of terror. During the height of the conflagration the city was filled with tumult. Fusillades of shots rang through the streets. Panicked mobs surged to and fro. Rioting broke out in which many were wounded. Three persons were reported to have been killed.

Before the outbreak a number of special constables had arrived in Cork to reinforce the black and tans. Some of these "specials" were in the lorries that were ambushed.

More than 100 buildings were burned or damaged, including the City Hall, which previously had been wrecked by fire. The Public Library was destroyed and the quay side gutted. The Corn Exchange, one of the finest buildings in the city, was gutted. Two of the biggest stores in the city were said to have been looted before being burned. They were Grant's dry goods store and Egan's jewelry shop. The Palace Theater and Cinema were fireproof.

**OUTBREAK FOLLOWS
HURLING OF BOMB.**

The outbreak which led to the conflagration occurred at 9 o'clock Saturday night, when some one hurled a bomb into a lorry containing between ten and fifteen black and tans and "specials." The lorry was wrecked and all the occupants except the driver wounded. An hour afterwards, while people were hurrying to their homes in obedience to the curfew regulations, large forces of black and tans, soldiers and "specials," appeared on the streets and began holding up belated pedestrians. Fighting broke out and many persons were taken to hospitals.

At the height of the disorders, the electric lights went out and the city was plunged into darkness. Suddenly there were muffled explosions and flames shot upward from a building in the heart of the city. The flames quickly spread.

Early Sunday the black and tans began making many arrests. Some of the civilians arrested were accused of setting street cars on fire. Street car traffic and telephone service were suspended and by the afternoon the heart of Cork resembled Verdun after the German bombardments.

**RESIDENCE DISTRICT
REPORTED RAIDED.**

Black and tans, soldiers and "specials" have raided the residential districts continuously since early Sunday morning searching for arms.

This was the first appearance in Cork of the "specials." They are Unionists and were recruited and trained at Bel-

It's a Nervous Time!

A prominent Indianapolis woman called the police and excitedly informed the desk sergeant that there was a burglar, dressed in a light-colored suit, prowling in one of the rooms of her house—she could see him by reflections in a hall mirror, she said.



As the sergeant was mobilizing an emergency squad, the telephone rang again. "This is the same woman that just called," the voice said. "You needn't send a policeman. I've just found out that the 'burglar' was a suit of underwear swaying from a door."

fast and Tyrone. It is feared their presence will add fuel to the flames of Irish hatreds throughout South Ireland.

1 KILLED, 2 HURT IN PATROL AMBUSH

DUBLIN, Dec. 13.—One person was killed and two others were wounded when military patrol that was enforcing martial law, was ambushed and bombed from two houses in Clonane, County Cork, today. The troops fired on the houses, killing one of the attacking party and wounding two. Two prisoners were taken. The houses were burned.

**WOMAN LOOTER
KILLED IN RUINS**

LONDON, Dec. 13.—A woman looter was shot and killed by troops at Cork in the fire-swept area, according to a Central News dispatch from that city.

**BRITISH SEIZE
MOTOR CARS**

DUBLIN, Dec. 13.—British troops have seized all the motor cars in Queenstown with a view to making martial law more effective in that part of County Cork, according to a dispatch from Queenstown today.

**MANY REPORTED
KILLED AT CAMLOUGH**

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Many persons were reported killed in a battle at Camlough barracks today, according to a dispatch from Dublin.

ROOT TALK MAY HELP IN LEAGUE UNDERSTANDING

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be speeded up and the high seas be kept open, thus avoiding the danger of unemployment. Mr. Hoover, it is understood, has sounded out employers on this subject and brought their views also to Senator Harding's attention.

The intimate relationship of Mr. Hoover with both employers and employees has caused increased speculation here as to the possibility of his appointment as Secretary of Labor in the Harding Cabinet.

The proponents of an amended or reconstructed league are having their day in court at Marion just now and will continue to be represented throughout the week. Col. George Harvey, sturdy opponent of the league, continues, however, to remain at the Harding home, where he has been a guest since the arrival of Charles Evans Hughes last Friday.

The Rev. John Wesley Hill, former pastor of a prominent New York church, is expected to visit Senator Harding today.

12 Hurt in Collision

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 13.—Twelve persons were injured, one seriously, today when two tramway cars collided at Twenty-Third and Larimer streets. A. J. Wood, motorman, suffered a broken leg and internal injuries. Several of the eleven injured passengers were removed to hospitals. Many narrowly escaped death. Both cars were practically demolished.

GREENSBURG WOMAN DIES.

GREENSBURG, Ind., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Nathaniel Gentry, 52, is dead at her home on North Broadway following several months' illness of a complication of diseases. She is survived by three sons, an aged mother, two brothers and four sisters.

Bandits Use Picks and Axes in Robbery

SHAMROCK, Okla., Dec. 13.—After a search extending through twenty-four hours, officers today admitted they had not found a trace of the band of bank robbers who robbed the First State Bank here of more than \$5,000.

The bandits used picks and axes in tearing out the vault doors and emptying the safe deposit boxes of all the money.

**PASTOR AND GIRL
ARE FORCED OUT**

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given her husband, was reported to be suffering a nervous breakdown.

The future status of Deane may be determined at a meeting of the church consistory tonight. It was believed generally a call would be extended to some minister in Holland and that the local pulpit would be occupied meantime by the dominie of one of the nearby churches or the elder.

**Cable Conferees
May Quit Capital**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Foreign delegates may return home to consult their governments before continuing the communications conference which has vainly been trying to agree on disposition of ex-German cables seized during the war. It was learned in official quarters today. A temporary adjournment would not mean the breaking up of the conference, it was stated.

Another meeting of the conference was scheduled for today. At this time, it was expected that either arrangements for an immediate settlement of the German cable question would be concluded or a temporary adjournment taken, in which case it is not likely that the dispute will be cleared up before the middle of January, when the meetings would be resumed in Washington.

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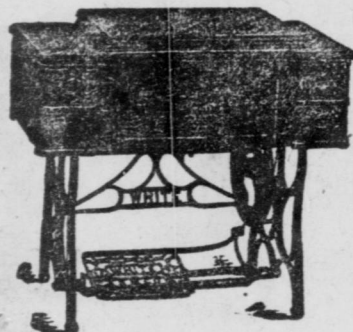
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