

# IRELAND GIVEN TWO YEARS IN PEN

## PREMIER OF QUEBEC CRITICIZES UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

### Former Relief Officer In Vancouver Confessed To Corruption Charges

Final Scene In Sensational Civic Scandal Played Today In County Court Before Judge Cayley

VANCOUVER, Sept. 27.—George D. Ireland, former Vancouver city relief officer and one time minister of the Gospel, was sentenced to two years imprisonment in New Westminister Penitentiary by Judge H. C. Cayley in County Court today after he had pleaded guilty to five charges of corruption in connection with the handling of city meal tickets. Among other things, Ireland admitted that he had received large commissions from restaurant operators in return for orders for relief meals.

Ireland held out for some time that he was not guilty but finally confessed.

### WERE OFTEN NEAR DEATH

Harrowing Experiences of Missionary Trio Held By Chinese Reds Told From Platform

TORONTO, Sept. 27.—A story packed with thrills, adventure with death lurking frequently along dangerous roads and the fear of impending murder hanging like a shadow over missionaries held captive by Chinese brigands for more than 90 days gripped the audience attending a recent session of the China Inland Mission annual meeting. As Rev. A. B. Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Kiangsi Province, unfolded this amazing narrative regarding the capture and the release of Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Porteous pulses quickened. Eyes fastened upon Rev. and Mrs. Porteous seated upon the platform but as yet denied the privilege of making public addresses as they convalesce from their harrowing experience.

The news that reached fellow missionaries on March 24 stating that Mr. and Mrs. Porteous and Miss N. E. Gemmill had been captured by the Communist brigands, was heart breaking, said Rev. Mr. Lewis.

One year before five Chinese evangelists, who had been taken captive by the same group of Communists had, following the payment of \$500 ransom money, been murdered. Only a few weeks earlier three Finnish women missionaries of an associate mission had been taken into captivity and foully done to death by the same group. The Red Army surrounding the city early in the morning had captured the missionaries while walking in the garden. Mr. and Mrs. Porteous had had their hands bound with ropes, but upon the entreaty of a non-Christian Chinese, who recounted the story of Mr. Porteous risking his life for the people of the city when the Northern Army had made an attack, their hands were released.

There followed days and weeks of helplessness, the Christian Chinese sparing no effort to raise money to free the beloved missionaries. The Chinese do not worship courage, Mr. Lewis pointed out, and it is customary when faced by trouble to flee, yet these young Christian Chinese sacrificed from their meagre earnings and the women gave their bits of jewellery and trinkets to help pay the ransom. Braving death these loyal Chinese journeyed the almost impassable roads, carrying their collected moneys, jewellery and entreaties to the headquarters of the Communists holding captive the missionaries pleading for their release.

With the ransom price set at \$60,000, the brigands scorned the paltry hundreds secured by the Christian Chinese. Then upon the impassioned request of Mr. and Mrs. Porteous their fellow missionary Miss Gemmill, was released and returned to the mission station. Again and again the Chinese Christians—a scintillating light among them being young Cheng—faced death and visited the camp of the Reds, fighting valiantly for the freedom of the missionaries.

Medicines Accepted  
Finally, despising the moneys offered, the leaders among the brigands suggested that medicines, so necessary to the wounded soldiers would be as acceptable as ransom. Although the workers of the China Inland Mission had deemed it unwise, if they had possessed the \$60,000 ransom price to have paid it, thus putting a price on the head of every missionary, consideration  
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### United States Army Bombers



Squadron of army bombers flying in formation over the grandstand at Curtiss Field, Chicago, during national air races.

### Dominion Government Hoists Burden On To Provinces And Cities

Taschereau Reminds Senator Robertson of Promises Made In Campaign — Calls Proposed Scheme Impractical

QUEBEC, Sept. 27.—“You will find that the municipalities in the most cases will be unable to take advantage of the proposed relief,” Premier Taschereau of Quebec yesterday wired Senator Gideon Robertson, minister of labor, in response to a telegram from the minister outlining the government's plans for unemployment relief. Premier Taschereau said that he thought “your plan is hardly practical and I regret to find that, after having promised to stop unemployment, in the first case, you have put two-thirds and, in the second case, three-fourths of the burden on the provincial governments and municipalities.”

### WINDING UP POLE DRIVE

Hanson Timber & Lumber Co. Expects to Have Timber Down River By October 15

The Hanson Timber & Lumber Co. expects to wind up its pole drive on the Skeena River for this season about the middle of October, a little ahead of last year.

During the coming winter it is expected that two pole camps will be operated by the company, one at Bell Lake and one at Nine Mile. In both cases the time limit for getting out the poles expires in March next year and the company will probably get the timber removed to skidways on the river or on wagon roads before that time.

### Two Women Went Meet Same Man Divorce After

VANCOUVER, Sept. 27.—When Miss Edith Alice Lewis was travelling to Vancouver she met another Mrs. Lewis and they found on comparing notes that they were both going to meet the same husband. Mrs. Lewis was granted a divorce here yesterday.

### Fraser Lake Man Is Laid to Rest

John Anderson Interred in Fairview Cemetery With Rev. C. E. Motte Officiating

The funeral of the late John Anderson of Fraser Lake, whose death occurred yesterday morning in the Prince Rupert General Hospital, took place at 2:30 this afternoon from the chapel of Haynor Bros., undertakers, to Fairview Cemetery. Rev. C. E. Motte officiated and Charles P. Balagno presided at the organ. A number of friends were in attendance and there were several floral offerings.

### Power Opening May Be Delayed

Bad Weather Just Now Is Holding Up Completion of New Development

The unfavorable weather which is prevailing just now may hold up the completion of the Power Corporation of Canada's local power development and it may be somewhat later than October 15, the originally scheduled date, that the new Falls River power is turned in to the city lines.

### TRAIN LATE TODAY

Owing to weather conditions in the interior, today's train, which was due at 12:30 noon, is four hours and twenty minutes late and will not, therefore, arrive before 4:50 p.m.

### AVIATORS ARRIVE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27.—Dieudonne Coste and his companion, Maurice Belonte, French goodwill aviators, arrived here yesterday and were given a great reception.

### LIE GIVEN TO REPORT

Statement That Thornton is to Be Old Country Railway 'Dictator' Denied

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The London and Northeastern Railway today issued a statement denying a report that Sir Henry Thornton, at present president of the Canadian National Railways, was to be appointed “dictator” of British Railways.

The statement also denied Sir Ralph Wedgewood's alleged visit to Canada and discussions with Thornton. “Sir Ralph, who is the chief general manager of the London and Northeastern, has not been in Canada and has not seen Thornton,” it was declared.

### LEAVING HERE TO LIVE IN VANCOUVER

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gonzales and daughters, Gerry and Barbara, will sail on the Prince Rupert tomorrow night for Vancouver where they will take up future residence. Mr. Gonzales, who has been in charge of the local office for several years, will be in charge of court work in Vancouver for the law firm of Williams, Manson & Gonzales of which he is a member.

Mrs. E. Thompson and daughter sailed last night on the Princess Maquinna for a trip to Vancouver.

### NEW TRIAL IS GIVEN ALEXANDER PANTAGES

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 27.—The Appellate Court yesterday granted the appeal of Alexander Pantages, millionaire theatrical magnate, from a conviction and prison sentence for assaulting Eunice Pringle, 17-year old dancer, ordering a new trial.

### HAPSBURG MAY RULE

English Cardinal's Utterance Construed As Favoring Accession of Otto to Crown of Hungary

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Will the Hapsburg dynasty again sit on the throne of Hungary in the person of the young Prince Otto, son of the last Emperor Karl, of the combined realm of Austria-Hungary? This is a question agitating the press and public in England as well as upon the Continent. The Archduke Albrecht, having renounced his right to the succession, the way now has been paved for a union of legitimist forces. A correspondent of The London Observer, notes the peaceful passing of St. Stephen's Day and speaks of the situation in the following terms:

“St. Stephen's Day, the critical date when public opinion was prepared to see an attempt made to bring Prince Otto to the throne, or at least to disturb the existing order of things, has passed quietly. It is rumored that the Legitimist party perceive the moment to be an unfavorable one for an attempt to install a King on the throne, and that even Prince Otto's birthday (November 23) will pass without event. The party are said now to be looking forward to next April or May. It is pointed out that the autumn will see the annulment by parliament of the law barring the Hapsburgs from the throne.

“The Legitimists deeply resented the speech of the War Minister at Mezokeresztur, when he declared that a nation in a state of ferment needs a strong hand and not a child's hand to rule it. Since the speech General Gombos has poured oil on the troubled waters by announcing in the press that the phrase was no personal allusion, but referred entirely to the political question.

“A remarkable feature of the St. Stephen's procession was the enthusiastic applause with which the populace greeted the governor. After 10 years both peasants and ci-

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### Pioneers' Card Party Enjoyable

Nearly One Hundred Persons at Affair Last Night—Manson and Newton Are Speakers

The Prince Rupert Pioneers' Association held a very enjoyable whist and bridge party last night in the I. O. D. E. Hall, old timers of the city to the number of nearly one hundred gathering in an affair that was both happy and homelike. One of the features of the evenings proceedings were speeches by A. M. Manson K.C. and S. M. Newton both of whom recalled incidents of the early days and both of whom reiterated their confidence of twenty years' standing in the future of the city. The pioneers enjoyed these speeches of Mr. Manson and Mr. Newton who were well qualified, through long residence, to address them.

There were 18 tables of cards and prize winners were:  
Bridge—Ladies' first, Mrs. Fred Cameron; consolation, Mrs. W. W. C. O'Neill; men's first, J. G. Vierbeck; consolation, John Bulger.

Whist—Ladies' first, Mrs. Frank Clapp; consolation, Mrs. Herbert Hampton; men's first, J. G. Vierbeck; consolation, Herbert Hampton. After cards, delicious refreshments were served and a brief program followed. Mrs. J. H. McLeod and Mrs. William Millar sang vocal solos, accompanied by Miss Matzie Macdonald; Misses Molly and Nellie Lawrence and Bert Cameron played violin and piano trios, and the speeches of Mr. Manson and Mr. Newton followed.

Mrs. O. A. Johnson was convener of the committee, other members of which were Mrs. G. W. Johnstone, Mrs. Fred Cameron, Mrs. R. A. McLeod and Mrs. A. Ivarson. A. R. Phillips was master of ceremonies for whist and G. W. Johnstone for bridge. O. A. Franks presided at the door.

### ROBBERY OF BANK

Four Clerks Tied, Up, and \$1400 Taken By Bandits at Queenstown, Alberta

LETHBRIDGE, Alta., Sept. 27.—Two armed masked men held up the branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Queenstown yesterday afternoon and escaped with \$1400 after having tied up four clerks with rope.

### CLAIMS SOLD BY SHERIFF

Holdings of Marmot Consolidated Mines Ltd. Brought Only \$200 At Sale Yesterday

For the sum of \$200 J. K. Green of Stewart yesterday afternoon acquired at sheriff's sale all the estate right, title and interest of the Marmot Consolidated Mines Ltd. in several mining claims located on Marmot River in the Portland Canal mining division.

The sale was conducted by Sheriff S. A. Nickerson to satisfy a County Court judgment obtained by John Ryan et al against the defendant company. Only one other offer besides Green's was made.

### FISH SALES

Summary  
American—45,800 pounds, 8c and 4c and 12c and 7c.  
Canadian—35,500 pounds, 8c and 4c and 11.6c and 7c.

American  
Northern, 40,000, Cold Storage, 8c and 4c.  
Venus, 5,800, 12c and 7c.

Canadian  
Takla, 19,000, Atlin, 8c and 4c.  
White Hope, 7,000, Cold Storage, 10.4c and 6c.  
Livingstone, 7,000, Pacific, 11.5c and 7c.  
Nuba, 2,500, Atlin, 11.6c and 7c.

### Vancouver Wheat Price Still Lower

Bids Dropped to 67 3/4c on Exchange of Southern City Today

VANCOUVER, Sept. 27.—Wheat price dropped to a still lower figure on the local exchange today when the quotation was 67 3/4c.

### Thanksgiving and Armistice Day On November 10 Set

OTTAWA, Sept. 27.—Thanksgiving and Armistice Day were proclaimed for Monday, November 10, at a meeting of the cabinet yesterday.