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IRELAND DOING ITS PART FOR EMPIRE

About Hundred and Sixty Thousand Men Volunteer for War, Though Not Half Accepted.

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(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)
DUBLIN, Nov. 12.—Recruiting in Ireland has been placed upon a new basis. Hitherto the work has been entrusted to voluntary committees formed in each county, with a central recruiting council for Ireland. The lord lieutenant of a county, usually a peer has been at the head of the work in his county.

Meetings have been held in every part of Ireland, and much zeal has been displayed by the speakers at the assemblies which have included representatives of all parties and creeds.

The result has been announced by Major General Lovick Friend, the commander of the forces in Ireland, the enlistment of 160,000 men for the infantry.

As the percentage of rejections for unfitness has been as high as 50 per cent, the total number from Ireland who offered themselves for service in the army was about 160,000. Ireland at the outbreak of the war had more than its proportion of men in the army and in the reserves and this total has been described by the highest military authority in a public letter as "magnificent." There must be added to it also Ireland's recruitment for the navy, to which a substantial number of men have gone.

A fresh appeal has been made for more men to fill up the wastage in the Irish divisions at the front. To keep them up to strength, a recruitment of about 1,100 men a week is officially stated to be necessary and unless the Irish divisions are to be filled up from Scottish and English drafts, that number will have to be found in Ireland.

Ireland was chided by action on the part of the military authorities such as that which refused to allow the Irish division to have its own colors. Even yet, though the colonies and the Ulster division have distinctive badges, the other Irish divisions have not.

There also is a feeling that the exploits of Irish regiments at the front have not had all the publicity they deserved. Except for individual exploits such as that which gave Sergeant O'Leary the Victoria Cross, they are felt to have a poor show in the dispatches or descriptions of the official eye witnesses.

SHOOT AND KILLS HIS WIFE AND THEN HIMSELF

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—H. Carl Rupert, a real estate and bond broker of Richmond, Va., shot and killed his wife and then killed himself in an uptown hotel today. From a diary left by Rupert, describing his movements in the last three days the police learned the couple had frequent quarrels. A note

book containing the names of persons in Richmond to be notified in case of emergency was found among Rupert's effects.

Livietta's Captain Says Bomb Caused Explosion on Ship

PORT ARTHUR, Tex., Nov. 12.—The fire on the Italian ship Livietta, which sailed from here Tuesday with a cargo of oil for Buenos Ayres, was caused by an explosion believed to have been a bomb, according to a report of Captain Rizzo of the Livietta to the Italian consul here.

Captain Rizzo and the entire crew of the Livietta, twenty-six men in all, arrived here today on the tug Russell after beaching the Livietta in thirty feet of water off Sabine shoals. The fire on the steamer still was burning tonight.

"I am positive a bomb started the fire on my ship," said Captain Rizzo, an opinion which was concurred in by every man of the crew. "The explosion was terrific. Every lamp on board the Livietta was smashed by it. Members of the crew were dazed by the shock, but quickly recovered themselves and put out the lifeboats. We were picked up by the Russell after midnight."

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 11.—Fire here today in the plant of the Thomas P. Skelly Bolt company, Inc., which is indirectly filling orders destined for European belligerents, caused a loss of more than \$200,000. An officer of the company said that it had not been determined whether the fire was of incendiary origin.

Serb Government Is On the Move Again

PARIS, Nov. 12.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Athens, dated Thursday, says the Serbian government has retired from Mitrovitz toward Kruchovo, northeast of Priple.

KAISER COMMUTES DEATH SENTENCES OF TWO WOMEN

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 12.—(Via London.)—A dispatch to the Tidd Tuesday from Belgium confirms the report that Emperor William has commuted to penal servitude for life the death sentence pronounced by the German court martial against Countess Johanne De Bellevue, Mlle. Louise Thullier, a school teacher, and Louis Severn, a chemist. These three persons were mentioned in the official proclamation announcing the election of Miss Edith Cavell, a British nurse, as having been sentenced to death by the German authorities in Belgium.

Bulgarians Gather Before French Front

PARIS, Nov. 12.—A dispatch from Saloniki to the Havas News agency under date of Wednesday says:

"The Bulgarians have retired from Buna and have concentrated before the French front around Cerna. In a heavy fog that has prevented operations for the last twenty-four hours.

The Serbians are attacking Katchaneh from the north and have captured the station.

"Tetovo has changed hands several times in violent fighting. It is now held by the Bulgarians."

LORD MURRAY WILL ACT AS RECRUITING DIRECTOR

LONDON, Nov. 12.—The minister of munitions, it is officially announced, has appointed Lord Murray of Ellbank to act temporarily in the honorary capacity of director of recruiting for munitions works. The appointment is made with the purpose of giving executive effect to

the policy of the ministry of munitions with regard to securing the most effective and economic use of munitions factories and the distribution of skilled and unskilled labor, both male and female, among them.

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