

### Amnesty Decree Issued by Head of Irish Government

Covers All Acts Committed in Course of Recent Hostilities in Ireland.

Belfast, Feb. 11.—(By A. P.)—Reports were received here today from the Ulster border that none of the captives taken in this week's kidnappings would be freed before next week.

These reports said the Ulster special constables and the contingents of the Irish republican army were watching each other like hawks across the Fermanagh-Monaghan line. Policing today was so rigid that business was suspended. The border special constables were halting every passing vehicle at Newtown, Butler and Rossie while a few miles away at Clones the republican army was doing the same thing.

London, Feb. 11.—(By A. P.)—The colonial office announced today that, pursuant to authority granted by the British cabinet, steps were being taken to release the prisoners who were taken into custody for offenses committed in England from Irish political motives prior to the Irish truce.

The cases of post-truce offenders, as well as all cases in which the offenders were members of the British forces, will be subject to further and individual consideration, says the announcement.

**Decree of Amnesty.**  
Dublin, Feb. 11.—(By A. P.)—Michael Collins, head of the Irish provisional government, has issued the following decree of general amnesty.

"Now that a treaty of peace has been concluded between the peoples of Ireland and Great Britain, the provisional government hereby decrees a general amnesty with respect to all acts committed in the course of the recent hostilities. The amnesty extends to all members of the naval, military, police and civil services of the British government, and to all other persons by whom acts of hostility against the Irish people were committed, aided or abetted, whether in Ireland or elsewhere, during the last six years, and full protection of the law will be afforded each person against violence or injury of any kind.

"The provisional government appeals to all citizens to respect this amnesty in spirit and letter. In this as in other matters, we must not allow ourselves to be outdone by our late enemies in seeking that the wrongs of the past may be buried in oblivion."

**More Troops for Ulster.**  
Belfast, Feb. 11.—(By A. P.)—Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, announced arriving from London today that he had been assured four additional battalions of troops would be sent to Belfast immediately.

He said he had set no time limit on the British action to secure the release of the unionist prisoners taken in the recent raids. This statement was supplementary to his declaration before leaving London that in the event of failure of the British authorities to secure the release of the kidnaped men he would carry out his own plans.

"We have to consider the whole situation carefully," he said. "Shooting occurred during the whole of the morning of Belfast this morning. Police reinforcements were sent to the scene."

**Favor Free Act.**  
Dublin, Feb. 11.—The text of the Irish free state act of 1922, now before the British parliament, is highly approved among the supporters of the peace treaty between Great Britain and Ireland. The bill sets up a legislature and an executive responsible to it for the exercise of all the powers within the treaty's scope. The legislature will have the power not only to deal with the constitution, but with all other business.

The main point of discussion now concerns Ulster. Under the treaty Ulster has one month after ratification of the act to decide whether to join southern Ireland and a boundary committee will follow Ulster's refusal to join.

The next meeting of the Dail Eireann, fixed for February 21, is expected to be the last. The election campaign will begin forthwith. The meeting called by Eamon De Valera and his followers for next Sunday in Dublin is to be the first of a series of mass meetings at which addresses will be delivered by the supporters of both sides of the controversy.

Michael Collins issued a reply to Mr. De Valera's statement of Thursday night, saying he cordially agrees that the issue must be submitted to the people. According to Mr. De Valera's statement, the suggestion of a constituent assembly was a clever move on the part of Premier Lloyd George, but says Mr. Collins, "it was my own proposal." If the people are invited to reject the treaty, Mr. Collins says, they should be told what is the alternative policy.

**Missing Arbuckle Witness Believed in New Orleans**  
San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Zeb Prevost, missing witness on the Roscoe Arbuckle manslaughter case, for whom federal authorities have been searching, is believed by District Attorney Matthew Brady to be in New Orleans. Brady said information had been received by his office that she told friends she was going to the southern city. He declared a determined effort would be made to return Miss Prevost to San Francisco before the Arbuckle trial begins next month.

**Donnelly Anti-Trust Law Held Unconstitutional**  
Buffalo, Feb. 11.—The Donnelly anti-trust law under which dealers in building materials were indicted after the Lockwood investigation here last June, was held to be unconstitutional in a decision yesterday by Justice A. Pooley of the supreme court. An appeal will be carried to the appellate division. District Attorney Guy B. Moore announced.

### New Scientist Church



This is the new edifice of the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Forty-first and Davenport streets, as it will look when completed next fall. The basement and Sunday school room were completed in 1916. Work on the superstructure will begin this spring.

### Arms Conference Pacts Rest on "State of Mind"

Report of American Delegation Laid Before Senate Says Accomplishments of Conclave Must Be Considered as Whole, Since Each Contributes to Combination of Conditions.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The arms conference treaties submitted for ratification yesterday by President Harding are declared by the American delegation in their report to him to rest upon a new international "state of mind," which substitutes mutual faith for suspicion and apprehension.

The report, a 90-page printed document, was laid before the senate by Mr. Harding along with the treaties. It reviews the conference negotiations, contains abstracts from treaties and resolutions approved, and quotes at length from various "declarations" and speeches made in committee or plenary session.

The delegation declares that to appraise correctly the accomplishments they must be considered as a whole, since each contributes to a combination of conditions "in which peaceful security will take the place of competitive preparation for war."

**Competition State of Mind.**  
"The declared object was, in its naval aspect, to stop the race of competitive building of warships. Competitive armament, however, is the result of a state of mind. To stop competition it is necessary to deal with the state of mind from which it results. A belief in the pacific intentions of other powers must be substituted for suspicion and apprehension."

"The four-power treaty itself was the expression of that new state of mind. It terminated the Anglo-Japanese alliance and substituted friendly relations in place of wars as the first reaction from any controversies which might arise in the region of the Pacific. It would not have been possible except as part of a plan including a limitation and a reduction of naval armaments, but that limitation and reduction would not have been possible without the new relations established by the four-power treaty or something equivalent to it."

**Understanding Essential.**  
"The new relations declared in the four-power treaty could not, however, inspire confidence or be reasonably assured of continuance without a specific understanding as to the relations of the powers to China. Such an understanding had two aspects. One related to securing fairer treatment of China and the other related to the competition for trade and industrial advantages in China between the outside powers."

"An agreement covering both these grounds in a rather fundamental way was embodied in the first article of the general nine-power treaty regarding China. In order, however, to bring the rules set out in that article out of the realm of mere abstract propositions and make them practical rules of conduct, it was necessary to provide for applying them so far as the present conditions

of government and social order in China permit. This was done by the remaining provisions of the general nine-power treaty and Chinese customs treaty and the series of formal resolutions adopted by the conference in its plenary sessions and the formal declarations made a part of the record of the conference."

**Quoted President.**  
At the beginning of the report the delegation recounts the diplomatic steps leading up to the conference, quotes from the president's opening address and sets forth the manner in which the conference was organized. It says regarding publicity:

"While the sessions of the committees were not public, a complete record was kept of all their proceedings and at the close of each session of the committee on armament and on Pacific and far eastern questions, respectively, a communique was made to the press, which generally stated all that had taken place in the committee and in all cases set forth whatever matters of importance had received attention."

Excerpts from the report as it touched on specific subjects under negotiation, follow:  
**Limitation of Land Armament.**  
"So far as the army of the United States is concerned, there was no question presented. The British empire has also reduced its land forces to a minimum. The situation on the continent was vividly depicted by M. Briand."

"Further consideration made it quite clear that no agreement for the limitation of land forces could be made at this time."  
**Limitation of Naval Armament.**  
"It was obvious that no agreement for limitation was possible if the powers were not content to take as a basis their actual existing naval strength. Accordingly, when the argument was presented by Japan that a ratio more favorable to Japan than that assigned by the American plan should be adopted, the answer was made that if Japan was entitled to a better ratio upon the basis of actual existing naval strength, it should be, but otherwise could not be accepted."

"Before assenting to this ratio—5-5-3—the Japanese government desired assurances with regard to the increase of fortifications and naval bases in the Pacific ocean. It was insisted that the capital ship ratio proposed by the American government could not be regarded as acceptable by the Japanese government if the government of the United States should fortify or establish additional naval bases in the Pacific ocean. The United States, the British empire and Japan made an agreement that the status quo would be maintained."

**British Object.**  
"In view of the insistence on the part of the French delegation that they could not abate their requirements as to auxiliary craft and sub-

marines, the British delegation stated that they were unable to consent to a limitation of auxiliary craft adapted to meet submarines. For this reason it was found to be impossible to carry out the American plan so far as a limitation of auxiliary craft and submarines was concerned."

"With respect to capital ships, while there are certain changes in detail, the integrity of the plan proposed on behalf of the American government has been maintained."  
"It is obvious that this agreement means ultimately an enormous saving of money and the lifting of a heavy and unnecessary burden. It was deemed to be inadvisable thus to hamper the development of a facility which could not fail to be important in the progress of civilization."

**Pacific and Far East Questions.**  
"When the conference was called there existed with regard to the far eastern causes of misunderstanding and sources of controversy which constituted a serious potential danger. These difficulties centered principally about China, where the development of the past quarter of a century had produced a situation in which international rivalries, jealousies, distrust and antagonism were fostered."

"A situation had been created in which the Chinese people nursed a sense of grievance and even of outrage. The foreign nations found their relations complicated by mutual suspicion and resentment."  
"It may be stated that one of the most important factors in the far eastern situation was the Anglo-Japanese alliance. Originally designed as a measure of protection against the policies of Russia and Germany in far eastern affairs, the continuance of the alliance after all peril from those sources had ceased could not fail to be regarded as seriously prejudicial to our interests. Without reviewing the reasons for its disappearance, it was greatly increased by the state of international tension which had arisen in the Pacific area."

**Alliance Terminated.**  
"It was a matter of the greatest gratification that the American delegation found that they were able to obtain an agreement by which the Anglo-Japanese alliance should be immediately terminated. No greater step could be taken to secure the unimpeded influence of liberal opinion in promoting peace in the Pacific region."

**Four-Power Treaty.**  
"The parties do not agree to give any support to claims, but only to respect the rights that actually exist. When controversies arise, the powers merely agree to confer together concerning them. No power binds itself to anything further and no consents or agreements must be made at this time."

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"It was quite clear, however, that the conference furnished a most favorable opportunity for negotiations between China and Japan. In order that the parties might be brought together, the good offices of Mr. Balfour and Mr. Hughes, individually, were tendered to both parties with their consent, and conversations looking to a settlement were begun. These conversations had the happy result of complete agreement."

The report embodies the declarations of national policy made in regard to "the 21 demands" and Siberia, declaring that the Japanese statement of intention to respect Russian territorial integrity and to withdraw the Japanese troops from Siberia as soon as conditions warrant, should be regarded as of the utmost importance.

"This constitutes a pledge," the report says, "which no doubt will be fully redeemed. While Japan has not fixed the date for the withdrawal of her troops from Siberia, she has renounced all claims of territorial aggrandizement of political dominations or of exclusive or preferential privileges."

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### German Doctor Urges Fingers to Brush Teeth

Use of Index Digit as Toothbrush Advised by Physician in Face of Soaring Prices.

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND.  
Berlin, Feb. 11.—"Use your index finger as toothbrush." That is the slogan of a South German physician who claims to have found in the index finger an admirable substitute for this supposedly necessary adjunct of the toilet.

Like many other discoveries this also was born of necessity, as the prohibitive prices now prevailing in Germany make even the acquisition of a toothbrush difficult for large numbers of the population. In the country schools, for example, it has been found that but few of the pupils possess a toothbrush, and those who do, display a fine disregard for its hygienic qualities. Under these circumstances the practical suggestion is made that the forefinger be used as a substitute, after first being subjected to a thorough-going process of soap and water and the nails given careful attention.  
The inventor claims that the forefinger, rendered flexible by its three

### Skirts and Prices Both Lower This Year, But Women May Balk

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Prices on women's wearing apparel this year are 40 per cent lower than last year, and the skirts are about two inches longer, according to manufacturers attending the National Women's Apparel association exhibit here. But while style decrees that skirts are a little longer, some of the exhibitors expressed doubt whether the women will wear them.  
The big difference in styles will be in colors, exhibitors said, which will be brighter and brighter.

joint, can be used more effectively on the inner surface of the teeth and gums than the unyielding toothbrush, and after all particles of food have been carefully removed by the aid of a toothpick it is a simple matter to keep the teeth in a clean and wholesome condition.  
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London, Feb. 10.—A dispatch to the London Times from Athens dated Wednesday, says a Royal decree issued that day ratified the sentence of degradation and confinement in a monastery passed by the Holy Synod of Old Greece upon the Most

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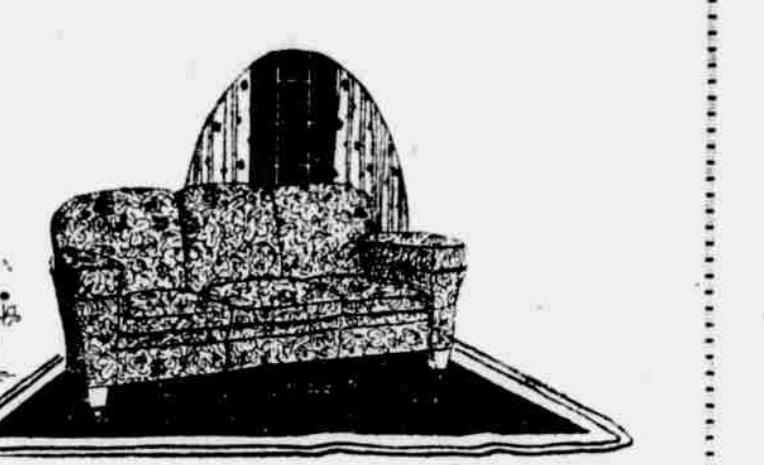
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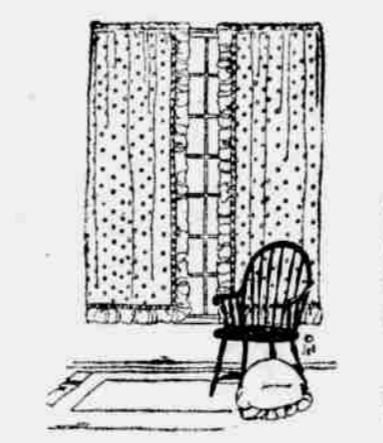


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