

Anglo-Irish Dublin Awaits Talk Results

Dublin—(RNS)—The recent Anglo-Irish conference—the importance of which is underscored by the fact that it caused Prime Minister Clement Attlee to make his first visit to London since 1938—has served to focus attention on Ireland's economic position, especially as it is affected by the present British crisis.

Announcement of the forthcoming conference between the heads of the Irish and British governments met with general satisfaction in Ireland. The whole country is now awaiting with deep interest the outcome of the negotiations which were inaugurated at the meeting in Downing Street, the residence of the British Prime Minister.

According to the official communiqué issued after the conference, these negotiations aim at exploring "the possibilities of dovetailing to their mutual advantage plans for increasing supplies from each country to the other."

THE WHOLE PROBLEM of Ireland's situation amidst "the economic storm which is sweeping over Europe" was recently reviewed by Sean Lemass, Irish Minister for Industry and Commerce, in a speech at Letterkenney, County Donegal. He made it plain that "we cannot insulate ourselves from the effect of economic collapse or social upheaval in Europe, and these disasters are now definitely in sight."

The best contribution we can make to European recovery is by developing our own economic resources to the utmost.

Although butter, sugar, tea, bread, flour and soap as well as clothing are still rationed in Ireland, rationing allowances in this country are larger and the overall supply position is better than in most other European countries, according to Lemass. "Despite many causes for complaining, this is still the best country in Europe in which to live," he said.

LEMASS, TAKING ISSUE with widespread criticism of price-control measures, explained that governmental subsidies are merely a means of concealing higher prices. The government has no way of getting money to pay subsidies, except taxation, he said, adding that "subsidizing out of borrowed money is a high road to a financial crash."

"Every country which did it," he added, "is now wallowing in unprecedented difficulties and yelling for American aid. The Americans are telling them that they will not get aid until they balance their budgets. The line taken by the government here may have been tough and unpopular but it has left the country one of the very few in Europe which can get along without foreign help. If only the rest of the Continent can put its own affairs in order."

Touching on Ireland's policy of war-time neutrality, the minister held that "contrary to the views of many who feared that because of this stand Ireland would incur the disfavor of the victorious and allied powers and be compelled to take an inferior position in international contacts—Ireland could today claim that her relations are better and her influence greater with all other countries, with the exception of the Soviet Union."

Negro Center to Open Alexandria, La. (RNS)—A newly-purchased recreation center for Negroes of the Catholic Diocese of Alexandria has been named Stritch Auditorium in honor of Samuel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago.

ON GUARD!

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what the world calls death but she calls as Christ!

THAT'S THE WAY she died at Lourdes on September 30, 1937. She was twenty-four and had been a Carmelite sister of Lisieux for the last three years. Neither the sister of Lisieux nor the sister of a grave could keep Therese's story from the world. Thirty-eight years after the thirteen-year-old Therese made her surprise appeal at the feet of Pope Leo XIII, another Pontiff, Pius XII, stood in a throng-packed St. Peter's and proclaimed her a saint of the Church.

TODAY WE KNOW the story of St. Therese. We know the famous spiritual philosophy of life which she developed in her monastery at Lisieux. Therese, of course, was too simple to call her spiritual doctrine a philosophy. She called it her "Little Way." As explained by the saint, this doctrine urges us to abandon ourselves humbly and confidently to the love of God even as little children place their total trust in the protective love of their earthly parents. This doctrine of spiritual childhood is not meant only for the members of a cloistered convent. It is meant for all men and women everywhere. As Pius XII, speaking of St. Therese, proclaimed: "It is our desire that the faithful followers of Christ study her life attentively in order to imitate her and become themselves 'like little children,' since according to our Lord's own words, that is the essential condition for reaching the Kingdom of Heaven."

HER INSPIRED SENSE of values made Therese see only one thing as really important—the love of God! The hour of death found her more hungry for God's love than the first day she entered Carmel. Surrounded by her sisters and clutching her crucifix she awaits eagerly her meeting with Christ. She has come to the end of her "Little Way." Her last words before she fell asleep in death are:

"Oh . . . I love Him! . . . My God, I . . . love . . . Thee!"

This scene someday should challenge the men of Hollywood. Or perhaps it is too great for their genius. Or perhaps the death of a saint is precious only in the eyes of God!

M'Arthur Views Found Sincere

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men that is now familiar to Tokyo. Three or four of his honor guard stood at attention as, unarmed, he crossed the sidewalk, returned their salute and entered his car.

The occupation of Japan has not been a marvel. Its personnel has included misfits. But, thanks to General MacArthur, the paralyzed, burned-out Japan of August, 1945, is today an oasis of order, peace and industrious effort instead of the mess of disorder and hopeless misery that it might have been. In all the history of conquest there has never been an occupation to parallel this in humane, constructive statesmanship.

One hears talk sometimes of the welcome that General MacArthur will get when at length he returns to the United States. Still more impressive will be the "sayonara," the grateful, sorrowful farewell that the plain people of Japan will give to their conqueror who has proved himself their best friend.

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Paris—(RNS)—About 10,000 French railway workers—An occupation generally recognized as a Communist stronghold—have completed a pilgrimage to the Shrine at Lourdes. They were joined by a delegation of Belgian rail workers.

Irish Cathedral Consecrated
Dublin—(RNS)—State and church leaders gathered at Cavan to witness the consecration of the new Cathedral of St. Patrick and Felix which was recently completed, largely through donations received from Catholics

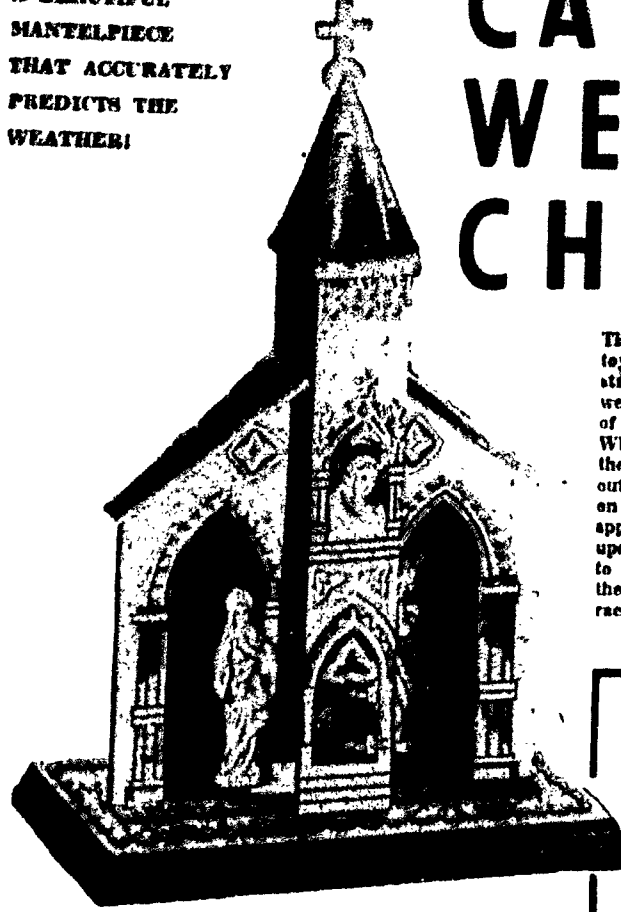
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UNITED STATES HOURS WORKED	TO BUY	RUSSIA HOURS WORKED
3 HOURS	DAILY NEEDS FOR 5 PEOPLE	9 HOURS
1 HOUR	COTTON STOCKINGS	24 HOURS
3 HOURS	COTTON SHIRT	320 HOURS
2 HOURS	WOOLEN GLOVES	100 HOURS
4 HOURS	ALARM CLOCK	160 HOURS
15 MINUTES	TOOTH-BRUSH	4 HOURS
75 HOURS	LADIES COAT	1000 HOURS
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