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EDUCATION IN TYRONE.

Omagh Committee Averse to Opening New School.

STAFF PROBLEM AT BERAGH.

At the meeting of Omagh Regional Committee on Monday, Mr. Thomas Johnston, J.P. (chairman), presiding, reference was made to a new school which is recently erected at Deverry Bridge to replace Rosaroon and Tattykeeran schools.

Mr. R. J. Mahon moved that the new school be opened as an average attendance would be more than thirty pupils. He went on to say the Ministry of Education, sad said they were prepared to enter into a scheme of reconstruction which could not be carried out, and they now up to them to get the committee to open a school so that the Roman Catholic children attending it would be forced to go to another school.

Mr. ... spoke in opposition to the proposal and said that it be adjourned for a month.

Mr. ... Hutton, B.A., was not willing to support the Regional Committee altogether, and seconded Mr. Lynch's amendment.

The ... was carried by four votes to three.

The Omagh Regional Education Committee on behalf of the Ministry of Education wrote intimating that the joint managers of the Memorial Public Elementary School, were the Rev. A. A. G. Kirkpatrick and Mr. R. M. Clendinning, C.B.E., D.L., the ... been recognised in that capacity on the ... of Clogherney School, of which Mr. ... is manager, with Johnston Memorial School, ... stated that the staff of the amalgamating ... consisting of four teachers, was ... on the average attendance ... have warranted only two teachers ... having due regard for economy. ... the committee had appointment of a ... from outside the staff on the ... Mr. Hutton in 1926, seeing that ... teachers qualified for the position, ... moving in the school. They were ... to meet the views of the ... If the committee had reason ... the Johnston Memorial School ... can be legally withdrawn from ... elementary school, they should ... for securing suitable premises for ... so as to meet the needs of the ...

... decided not to take any further ...

ATTACKED BY WOLVES.

Girl Driven Dumb with Fright in Poland

Warsaw, Sunday.

... wolves are reported to be ... districts of Eastern Poland, and ... uncommon hardihood, penetrating ... cages. One man is reported to ... and devoured, and a dairy ... entered a pack, but who managed ... to escape. Attacks ... have not been able to speak since. ... some wolves on the railway line ... at bay by flashing his lantern ... The animals fled at the approach ... Central News.

AWARDS IN COUNTY DOWN.

... Curran and E. Crangle, judges, ... ports of the members of Killyleagh Farming Society during the ... to report the yields on the whole ... heavy and of good quality, ... their awards:—

... Cup, for the best two acres ... grown from Victor seed:—1, J. ... W. Clarke; 3, T. Lindsay; 4, ... T. J. Kennedy; 6, W. Hutchinson; 8, T. Robinson.

... T. Lindsay; 2, R. C. Orr; 3, ... Carnds—1, T. Lindsay; 2, J. ... Kargel wurzel—1, T. Lindsay; ... W. Hutchinson; 4, J. M. ... Hutchinson.

... Lindsay; 2, J. Hutchinson; ... 4. T. Hay; 5. W. R. Smyth.

BROADCASTING.

Variety; and a Captain Cook Programme.

BELFAST.

Wave, 306.1 Metres; Kilocycle, 980.

12-0–1-0—The Radio Quartet, and Alicia M. Bristow (mezzo-soprano). 2-0–3-15—London. 3-30–4-45—William Bagill (tenor), and the Radio Quartet. 4-45—Organ Recital, relayed from the Classic, Belfast. 5-15—Children's Hour. 6-0–6-30—London. 6-30—Regional News. 6-35—The First Voyage of Captain Cook. A programme descriptive of one of the most glorious records in our sea history, written specially for broadcasting by Munge M. Dewar. Artists taking part:—Hubert Leslie, J. P. Lambe, Wyn Weaver, Halbert Yates, Arthur Malcolm, Philip Harper, G. Coffey May, S. Weir M'Cormick, Invid Wilson, Hugh Carson, James Newell, Chas. K. Ayre, Jack Gavin, and Albert Bayes. Incidental music by the Orchestra. 10-30 (app.)—11-0—Dance Music from the Plaza, Belfast.

LONDON.

Wave, 361.4 Metres; Kilocycle, 830.

10-15—Service. 12-0—Ella Gardiner (soprano) and Claude Pilgrim (tenor). 12-30—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. 1-0—The Piccadilly Orchestra. 2-0—Broadcast to Schools. Readings for secondary schools: French—Camille Vierte. 2-20—Musical Interlude. 2-30—Miss Rhoda Power. 3-0—Musical Interlude. 3-25—Miss Pennar Williams (violoncello), Euphemia Gray (pianoforte), and Leon Sighera (violin). 4-15—Orchestra from the Hotel Cecil. 5-15—Children's Hour. 6-0—A Listener's Talk. 6-15—Weather, News, and Time Signal. 6-30—Local Announcements. 6-35—Musical Interlude. 6-45—Foundations of Music. 7-0—Mr. James Agate. Dramatic Criticism. 7-15—Musical Interlude. 7-25—Signor S. Breglia: Italian Reading. 7-45—Vaudeville: Tommy Handley (compere); Dorothy Dickson and Geoffrey Gwyther; Elspeth Douglas Reid (character studies); Arthur Prince and Jim; Billie Hill and Horace Percival; Charles Shadwell (banjo solos); and the B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. 9-0—Weather and News. 9-15—Sir Valentine Chirol. 9-30—Local Announcements. 9-35—11-0—"X." a Radio Play.

DAVENTRY.

Wave, 1,604.3 Metres; Kilocycle, 187.

10-15—Service. 10-30—Time and Weather. 11-0—Gramophone Records. 12-0–2-0—London. 2-20—Fishing Bulletin. 3-25–9-30—London. 9-30—Shipping Forecast. 9-53–11-0—London. 11-0–12-0—Dance Music from the May Fair Hotel.

Medium Wave Programme (491.8 Metres).

3-0—Lorelli Picture House Orchestra. 4-0—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, and Vera Southon (light ballads). 4-30—Irene Gregory (soprano), and Booth Unwin (baritone). 5-30—Children's Hour. 6-15—Weather, News, and Time Signal. 6-30—Phyllis Evemett (contralto), Herbert Thorpe (tenor), and Harry Brindle (baritone). 7-45—"Pelleas and Melisande": A Lyric Drama by Debussy. Acts I. and II. 9-0—Extracts from "La Morte d'Arthur," read by Mr. Oliver Baldwin. 9-15—("Pelleas and Melisande" continued). 9-45—Weather and News. 10-5—Mr. Oliver Baldwin. 10-50—11-15—("Pelleas and Melisande" continued).

DUBLIN.

1-30–2-0—Weather, and Gramophone Records. 6-0—Records. 6-15—Arthur Shields, May Merrell, and Lilian Brooks. 7-0—Records. 7-30—Gaedhlic, Sile Ni Dhuinnein. 7-45—Poetry Recital: Frank Fay. 8-0—Station String Quartet; Mary O'Hea and Company in selections from "The Hunchback"; Flinoff Moore (baritone); Doreen Thornton (soprano); and Leo Rowsome (Uilleann pipes). 10-0—Traditional Trio. 10-30—Weather, and close down.

ULSTER HALL RECITAL.

Re-Introduction of Community Singing.

Community singing, so popular at last season's organ recitals in Belfast, was re-introduced at the recital in the Ulster Hall on Saturday night, and is evidently as popular as ever. Captain Brennan conducted, and the audience, which was a large one, sang with a will. Very enjoyable was "Off to Philadelphia." Mr. Bertie Woodburne sang the verses in fine style and inspired the "community" to excel itself in the choruses.

Captain Brennan's organ pieces included the popular "Finlandia" (Sibelius) and a delightful adagio from Mozart's Clarinet Concerto, the audience insisting on an encore. He also played "Egyptian Military Patrol" (David Clegg).

Madame Elsie Jackson sang two groups of songs. Her first group included "O Sea, dread Sea" (Duthbee), "Starry Night" (Debussy), and "To Spring" (Gounod), a well-contrasted choice of songs, but the singer, whose mezzo voice is of excellent quality, hardly changed her mood sufficiently to suit them. Her second group included a couple of songs by Brahms, "True Love" and "The Vain Suit," and "My Peace is Gone," by Hoffman.

Mr. Bertie Woodburne was in fine voice. He sang "The Two Grenadiers" (Schumann), and made the climax very telling. His second song, "The Rolling Stone" (Hamblin) was rendered in spirited style. For his encore he sang one of those jolly Irish songs which tell of the attractions of a certain colleen, and Mr. Woodburne did full justice to the young lady concerned. Later he sang Herbert Oliver's "Song of the Bell" with great sincerity, and a rollicking sea song, "The Bo'sun, the Gunner, and Me" (Trotere).

ANTRIM COTTAGES.

Prize-winners in County Committee's Prize Scheme.

JUDGE'S FAVOURABLE REPORT.

The following are the awards in the cottage garden prize scheme promoted by the County Antrim Committee of Agriculture:—

Lisburn and Aghalee Rural Districts—1st, Joseph Clarke, Delsize Road, Derriaghy; 2nd, Mary Turner, Kilmakee, Dunmurry; 3rd, Thos. J. M'Clelland, Poleglass, Dunmurry; 4th, Joseph Evans, Knockmore, Lisburn; 5th, James Hull, Aghalee; 6th Joseph Faloon, Ballyvannon, Glenavy.

Antrim Rural District—1st, W. J. Whiteside, Townparks, Antrim; 2nd, Daniel Bell, Ballyclan, Crumlin; 3rd, Mrs. Jane M'Laughlin, Ballygrooby, Randalstown; 4th James Taggart, Townparks, Antrim; 5th, John Liggett, Clady, Dunaidy; 6th, James Huston, Feehogue, Randalstown.

Ballycastle Rural District—1st, Thomas Watson, Carnestley, Ballycastle; 2nd, Henry Carnegie, Hillhead, Ballycastle; 3rd, John M'Neill, Riverside Cottage, Cushendun; 4th Patrick M'Keegan, Tavnaghan, Cushendall; 5th, Andrew M'Neill, Sleans, Cushendun; 6th, Patrick Mullan, Moyaver, Armoy.

Ballymena Rural District—1st, James Ireland, Ballygarvey, Ballymena; 2nd, William Logan, Line Cottage, Cullybackey, 3rd, John Cathcart, Craigywarren, Ballymena; 4th, William Greer, sen., Aughinahoy, Portglenone; 5th, James Armstrong, Craigywarren, Ballymena; 6th, Wm. M'Neill, Killygore, Ballymena.

Ballymoney Rural District—1st, Edward M'Closkey, Corkey P.O.; 2nd, John Morrison, Seacon, Ballymoney; 3rd, Daniel Morrison, Seacon, Ballymoney; 4th, David Currie, O'Harabrook, Ballymoney; 5th, Albert Herd, Leaney, Ballymoney; 6th, Annie M'Lean, Ballymaconnelly, Rasharkin.

Larne and Belfast Rural Districts.—1st, John Rea, Townparks, Glenarm; 2nd, James Kennedy, Galdanagh, Carnlough; 3rd, Robert Snoddy, Cloughan, Islandmagee; 4th, Bernard O'Lynn, Townparks, Glenarm; 5th, Thomas Hill, Kilcoan, Islandmagee; 6th, James M'Auley, Greenisland Cottages.

Ex-Servicemen's Class—1st, John Hogg, Belfast Road, Antrim; 2nd, W. G. Stewart, Townparks, Antrim; 3rd, David M'Cullough, Toome Road, Ballymena; 4th, William Johnston, Tyrees Park, Whiteabbey; 5th, Robert Kennedy, New Cottages, Whiteabbey; 6th, William Allen, sen., Belfast Road, Antrim; 7th, William Telford, Toome Road, Ballymena; 8th, Robert Dunn, New Cottages, Whiteabbey; 9th, James Creaney, New Cottages, Whiteabbey; 10th Robert G. Wilson, Townparks, Ballycastle; 11th, Hugh Connor, Newhill, Ballymoney; 12th, James Hunter, Newhill, Ballymoney.

Champion Class.—1st, Martin Stewart, Draine, Larne; 2nd, George Corken, Kilmakee, Dunmurry; 3rd, John Caldwell, Ballyrosscormick Ballymoney; 4th, Mrs. Blades, Ballymoney, Islandmagee; 5th, John Erwin, Ballygarvey, Ballymena.

JUDGE'S COMMENTS.

The Judge, Mr. Duncan Mackenzie, in his report, states:—"The cottages entered were, with few exceptions, up to a very high standard of neatness and cleanliness, many of them being models in this respect. Their general appearance, both inside and out, was very creditable to the occupiers. In many cases interest was taken in training climbers against the walls, which added greatly to the effect and beauty of the cottage. There were 126 entries, an increase of 35 on last year. Gardens were on the whole well looked after, and generally free from weeds, a task not easily accomplished on a year like this. There was a fairly good supply of vegetables, particularly those for summer and autumn use. More consideration, however, should be given to the growing of winter and spring vegetables, for use at a time when vegetables are not easily secured. Potatoes occupied the greater part of the plots, and consisted chiefly of the popular immune varieties, Arran Victory and here's Pink. Spraying was well carried out, seventy-five per cent. of the gardens were completely cultivated, the remainder having about one-third of the total area in grass. There was a fair supply of soft fruits, chiefly black currants and gooseberries, and in most cases a good display of flowers. Ninety of the competitors kept poultry, various breeds. The housing accommodation was fairly good, but in a number of cases this was not so. More attention should be given to this important part of poultry-keeping. Pigs were kept by 28 of the competitors. The quality and housing in most cases was good. Some of the houses for this purpose were too close to the dwelling house. Seventeen of the competitors kept bees, nearly all in bar-frame hives. At the time of inspection the stocks were free from disease, due to the continuous cold weather of June, and early July, a very small amount of honey was stored.

Ex-Servicemen's Class—As in previous years competition in this class was very keen. Most of the cottages reached a high standard, from a point of view of the excellent order of the cottage and premises, and the amount of fruit, vegetables, and flowers in the garden. A few points only decided the prize-winners from a number of those who are not included in the list. The work of laying down paths, planting hedges, the arrangement of fruit and vegetable plots, and the forming of flower beds received attention in the majority of these comparatively newly formed gardens, many of which are being cultivated under adverse soil conditions. In the championship class there were twelve entries, nearly all of which were in excellent condition. The gardens, being longer established than the foregoing class, contained a better supply of fruit and vegetables. Hedges were neatly trimmed; vegetable plots, flower beds, and walks were in good order and fairly free from weeds. Attention was also given in the management of livestock, particularly poultry and pigs, and to bee-keeping.

UNIONIST HEADQUARTERS.

Forthcoming Ball in the Belfast Plaza.

At a representative meeting of Unionists, held in Stormont Castle, it was decided to hold a ball this year of a similar nature to that which last winter was the means of raising a considerable sum of money towards the liquidation of the debt on Unionist Headquarters in Glengall Street.

Viscountess Craigavon presided, and amongst those present were:—The Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, Lady Coates, Lady Bates, the Hon. Mrs. Herbert Dixon, Mrs. Walter Richardson, Mrs. E. S. Clarke, Mrs. Sam Fox, Mrs. James Thompson, Mrs. George Clark, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Baird, Captain the Rt. Hon. Herbert Dixon, D.L., M.P.; Captain R. L. Henderson, Mr. Hempster Wilson, Mr. Norman Cleland, Mr. J. A. Macauley, Mr. Dermot Campbell, and Mr. William Douglas. The following were unable to be present, but expressed their willingness to help:—The Lady Mayoress, Mrs. Ainsworth Barr, C.B.E.; Lady Baird, Lady Brooke, Mrs. Lloyd Campbell, Lady Clanwilliam, Lady Clark, Mrs. Casement, Mrs. Archer Cooke, Lady Dixon, D.B.E., Mrs. Norman Ferguson, Mrs. Howard Ferguson, Miss L. Garrett, Mrs. Malcolm Gordon, Lady Herdman, Mrs. Hume, C.B.E.; Mrs. Cecil Lindsay, Mrs. Leslie (Leslie Hill), Mrs. Molloy, Lady Macnaghten, Mrs. Sam Morland, Mrs. Montgomery, Lady M'Cullagh, Mrs. T. E. M'Connell, Miss J. M'Connell, Alderman Mrs. M'Mordie (High Sheriff), Mrs. W. M'Mullan, Mrs. T. W. M'Mullan, Mrs. M. M. M'Causland, Miss Rogers, Mrs. J. S. Rogers, Mrs. Graham Shillington, Major C. Blakiston-Houston, Mr. James Cunningham, Mr. Rowland Byers, Mr. Jack Montgomery.

It having been unanimously decided to hold the ball in the Plaza on Wednesday, 28th November next, the following were appointed as a sub-committee to make the necessary arrangements in accordance with the views expressed at the meeting:—Viscountess Craigavon, Mrs. Ainsworth Barr, C.B.E.; Mrs. Donald Cheyne, Mrs. G. Clark, Mrs. Blanche Hume, O.B.E.; Mrs. S. Knox, Mrs. Jim Morland, Captain Herbert Dixon, and Mr. J. M. Montgomery. The price of tickets was fixed at 7s 6d each (exclusive of refreshments), and Lady Craigavon mentioned that, after the arrangements for the distribution of the tickets had been made, if any persons found they had any difficulty in procuring them, they should make application to the Unionist Headquarters in Glengall Street.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH

The Late Mr. R. T. Harpur.

WESLEYAN SOCIETY'S INCOME.

A portrait of the late Mr. R. T. Harpur has been hung in Donegall Square Sunday School where he conducted a very successful young men's morning class for twenty years. It was unveiled by Mr. A. M. Thompson, senior circuit steward, in the presence of a large gathering of members of the class, and personal friends of the deceased gentleman. Mr. W. J. Shaw, the present leader of the class, presided, and tributes to the late Mr. Harpur's work and character were paid by Messrs. George Kirkpatrick, George Donaldson and W. J. Beattie.

Rev. W. W. Hutchinson recently reported to the Southern executive of the Special Evangelistic Agency that open-air work in the Free State was never more enthusiastically carried on than at present. Thirty open-air meetings are being held this month, with three ministers generally in attendance. The junior ministers are entering into the open air campaign with great vigour, and the record of colportage sales is most satisfactory. Mr. Geo. Chancellor, one of the colporteurs, has gone to Cliff College for evangelistic training after two years of valuable service. Two more colporteurs have been received on probation.

The executive committee of the Forward Movement has asked the various circuit treasurers to obtain the fulfilment of all outstanding promises as early as possible. The five years' scheme will then have been brought to a successful conclusion.

Rev. J. Agnew Kelly has carried out considerable improvements in the Methodist Church at at Jubbulpore, including the installation of electric light and ventilating fans. Other much needed improvements were carried out without any assistance from the Wesleyan Missionary Society. Mr. Kelly, who is engaged in work among the British troops, will be transferred to Bombay next year.

ALL-IRELAND GIRLS' LEAGUE.

The newly formed All-Ireland Girls' League group will hold its annual meeting in association with the Tullamaine Missionary Summer School, held annually in Dublin, during July.

The Belfast Foreign Missionary Committee has arranged that Mr. E. J. Barber, of London, will take the chair at the united anniversary meeting in Belfast in the spring of the next year. Rev. G. Hickman Johnson, of the Missionary headquarters, and Rev. E. J. Nightingale, B.D., will be the chief speakers. The young people's rally in connection with the missionary anniversary will be addressed by Rev. R. B. Sutton (China). A letter of farewell and godspeed was sent by the committee to Dr. Charlotte Carlisle, who is sailing for India. The juvenile collectors are to be gathered together next month to hear addresses by Miss Wigfield, editor of "At Home and Abroad," and Rev. W. B. Budd (secretary for Home Missions).

The income of the Wesleyan Missionary Society up to date is in advance of last year's income by £6,415, but a sum of £500 is needed before the end of next month in order that Irish Methodism may redeem its proportion of ten per cent. increase which is urgently needed by the society. An anonymous sympathiser has promised £50 to the Irish treasurer (Rev. Dr. M'Keag) on condition that nine other similar contributions are forthcoming.

A generous friend of the junior ministers has promised to assist the younger ministers to obtain copies of Dr. David Smith's new work, "The Disciples' Commentary." The offer has been made through Rev. P. E. Donovan.

Pitt Street Mission, connected with Mountpottinger Church, celebrates its semi-jubilee next month.

Mahon Methodist Church, belonging to the Portadown circuit, has just celebrated the centenary of the erection of the church. Methodist work was begun in the locality in 1826, the Primitive Methodists erecting the building in 1828, with Rev. Adam Averell as the preacher. The church possesses a flourishing Sunday school and C.E. society, and the pulpit is supplied by the ministers and local preachers of the Portadown circuit.

The reopening meeting of the Belfast Sunday School Union was held in the Key Memorial Hall, Glengall Street, on Friday evening. The president, Mr. E. H. Thornton, occupied the chair. A vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. T. A. Hartley, a member of the Council, was passed. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows—Mr. John Collin, president; Mr. Wm. Mathers, vice-president; secretaries, Rev. W. J. Oliver (ministerial) and Mr. R. J. Aiken (lay); treasurer, Mr. T. Platt. The Rev. W. L. Northridge, M.A., Ph.D., delivered an able address on "Can Religion be Taught?" in which he stressed the importance of developing the latent powers in children by encouraging self expression in Sunday School teaching.

The 150th anniversary of Wesley's Chapel, London, will be celebrated on 1st prox. There will be a morning service by Rev. Dr. Scott Lidgett, to be followed by a luncheon at the Carpenters' Hall, over which the distinguished Wesleyan layman, Lord Hayter, of Chelsehurst, will preside. The Lord Mayor of London will take the chair at an afternoon meeting in the Mansion House, when the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Prime Minister, and the President of the Wesleyan Conference will be the special speakers. Sir Kingsley Wood, M.P., will preside over the evening meeting in Wesley's Chapel, and Sir Robert Perks, Dr. Peake, Dr. Dinsdale Young, and other representatives of all branches of Methodism will take part. The minister-in-charge of Wesley's Chapel, Rev. George H. M'Neal, M.A., hopes to establish a bureau for world-wide Methodism in Wesley's historic church in City Road.

Rev. J. E. Rattenbury's book, "Wesley's Legacy to the World," has been received with universal praise. The book consists of six studies in the permanent value of the Evangelical Revival which the two Wesleys and their fellow-workers inaugurated in the 18th century. Mr. Rattenbury's book contains, in permanent form, the Quillin lectures, delivered by him at Emory University, Georgia, U.S.A., one of the greatest Methodist institutions in the United States. Among other interesting suggestions made by Mr. writer is one that Wesley should never be represented in sculpture save when seated on his horse. "The tireless rider" of Methodism is said to have paid more turnpike - lls than any other traveller of his day in England.

MOON ECHOES.

Norwegian Test of Radio Wave Wanderings.

Copenhagen, Saturday.

Further light on the wandering of radio waves through the ether is claimed by Professor Stoermer, of Oslo, to have been thrown, as the result of experiments undertaken in conjunction by Norwegian and Dutch wireless stations.

The professor states that echoes from those waves have been clearly distinguished, and puts forward the view that the waves are thrown back to earth when they reach a point in space far beyond the moon. How far away this point is can be calculated by the fact that radio waves travel 300,000 milometres a second.—Central News.

NEWTOWNARDS FEVER PATIENTS.

At Newtownards Guardians yesterday the clerk reported that there had been a long list of admissions since their last meeting. The cases included scarlatina, diphtheria, measles.

Replying to a query, the Clerk said the majority of the scarlatina cases were from Bangor, with two from Portavogie, one from Newtownards, and one from Ballykeigle (Ballygowan).

The Board approved of the action of the clerk in requisitioning the services of another nurse to cope with the patients in the fever hospital at present.

New Derry District Inspector.—Mr. J. J. Dobbin, who has been attached to Omagh headquarters of the R.U.C. as a cadet for the past two months, has been appointed a district inspector, and allocated to Derry City, to replace District Inspector Cahill, transferred to Aughnacloy.

Lurgan Stationmaster Retiring.—Mr. Walter Johnston, the esteemed stationmaster of Lurgan, retires, as from 1st November, on superannuation after 45 years' service in the employment of the Great Northern Railway. In the course of his career Mr. Johnston served as clerk at Armagh, Banbridge, and Lisburn, and as agent at Smithborough, Glasslough, Moy, Monaghan, and Lurgan.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

Belfast Labour Exchange Officials Before Magistrates.

ACCUSED REMANDED ON BAIL.

At the Belfast Police Court on Saturday, before Mr. P. J. O'Donoghue, R.M., and other magistrates, two officials in the Corporation Street Labour Exchange—James Joseph Nulty, 4 Divis Drive, and Robert Sands, of Greystones, County Down—were charged with having conspired, together with other unknown persons, to defraud the Ministry of Labour of various sums of money, amounting to about £22. After formal evidence of arrest, they were remanded until next Monday, bail being granted, on the application of their solicitor, Mr. S. C. Lughan, in £100, with two sureties of £50 each.

Mr. H. H. Joussen, Crown Solicitor, opened the case for the prosecution. It was, he said, a case of a most dangerous fraud and conspiracy on the part of the accused to defraud the Ministry of sums of money which passed through their hands for the purpose of paying out unemployment benefit. He then went on to explain the procedure adopted at the Exchange in regard to benefit. A person, he pointed out, signed a claim for benefit, and was authorised by Nash, who had charge of the claims sheets, to receive payment of benefit. Sometimes benefit was stopped, and in the present instance such was the case, the word "discontinued" being marked on the claims sheet. The claims were kept in the Exchange, and it was suggested in the case that if the sheets marked "discontinued" had remained there nothing further would have been paid.

"What we suggest occurred," continued Mr. Mussen, "is that the original claim was destroyed or taken away by one of the other of the prisoners, and another substituted which did not bear the word 'discontinued.'" The first two or three weeks' paid, up to the word 'discontinued,' were, he alleged, ingeniously inserted into the new sheet, and things were able to go on as if the claimant was being paid.

Detective-sergeant Brown, who arrested the accused at the Labour Exchange in Corporation Street, said that when cautioned Nash made no statement, while Nulty replied "I refute it."

In a statement, which was read in court, Henry O'Hara, of Milton Street, said he made a claim for benefit on 9th August, and received £1 4s on the 28th, when he was informed that benefit was disallowed for six weeks as from 3rd August. He did not receive any more money until 20th October, when the box clerk at the exchange told him he was entitled to £4 16s, which he said was for four weeks' benefit to 17th October. "I examined (the statement added) a pay docket for the week ended 19th September, and the signature on the receipt portion is not mine. I did not receive £4 16s shown on the docket."

DEATH OF MR. J. M. HOGGE.

Former Liberal Member for East Edinburgh.

Mr. J. M. Hogge, former Liberal M.P. for East Edinburgh from 1912 to 1924, collapsed and died suddenly at his Hammersmith residence on Saturday night.

Mr. Hogge, who appeared in perfect health earlier in the day when he left his home on business, returned home at four o'clock, and dined shortly after six o'clock. About an hour later he was seized with a sudden heart attack. A doctor was at once summoned, but on his arrival found life extinct.

Mr. Hogge was formerly joint Chief Whip of the Independent Liberal Party. He was 55 years of age, and leaves a widow, one son, and two daughters.

Born in Edinburgh, James Myles Hogge began his career as a pupil teacher, and later took up social work. Turning to politics he founded the Young Scots' Society. After unsuccessfully contesting the Camlachie Division, Glasgow, in 1910, he was returned by the East Edinburgh Liberals two years later, and continued to represent that constituency until 1924.

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