

SON OF '67 MAN

Death of Well-Known Nationalist

The sudden and tragic demise on Sunday, 6th inst., of Christopher J. Ryan, New Square, Mitchelstown, at a comparatively early age, has come as a great shock to his family and numerous friends. The son of an old '67 man from Castleconnell, the late Chris. Ryan, with his brothers and sisters, was prominently identified with the Republican movement since its inception. It was in his home the late Sean Treacy, Dan Breen and Sean Hogan sought and received shelter after the Soloheadbeg ambush and at a time when the cause for which they stood had so few friends. When the call came for volunteers in the 1919 Waterford election he was amongst the foremost, and his family still hold the trophy (a hurley) which smashed the bridge of his nose.

At a later date himself and his father (who was then 75 years old) defended his sister, Julia, when fired on by military at Kilworth Camp, when delivering parcels to prisoners. Throughout all the troubled period his home was always open to those who were engaged in the fight for Irish freedom and was the scene of many notable conferences. He was prominently identified with the G.A.A. movement. He was a member of the Cork All-Ireland football team in 1911 and also served with the famous "Lees" of Cork, being for 20 years a member of the Mitchelstown Football Club, having many medals to his credit. He was equally known as an Irish champion step-dancer, figuring in several Fobsean by winning All-Ireland honours in the Mathew Feis of 1910. During the recent emergency he was actively connected with the L.D.F., by whom he was accorded full military honours.

The remains were removed to Mitchelstown Parish Church on Monday evening, 7th inst., accompanied by a huge concourse of people.

Solemn Requiem High Mass was celebrated on Tuesday morning, 8th inst., the celebrant being Father Albe Ryan, O.P.; deacon, Very Rev. Father Dolan, O.P., Prior of Tallaght; sub-deacon, Very Rev. T. O'Donoghue, O.P., P.O. In the sanctuary were the Right Rev. Mons. O'Connell, F.P., V.G.; Rev. D. Sheehan, C.C.; Rev. P. Mortell, C.C.; Rev. E. O'Callaghan, C.C.

A huge congregation was in attendance, testifying to the very high esteem in which deceased was held.

The chief mourners were: Mrs. E. Ryan (widow); Fr. Albe Ryan, O.P.; Messrs. Pierce, James, Michael and Kevin Ryan (sons); Mrs. D. O'Byrne, Leish, Anna and Mary Ryan (daughters); W. J. and John Ryan (brothers); Mrs. M. J. Murphy and Mrs. D. O'Leary (sisters); Messrs. Chris, Michael, William, Sean, James Ryan, James and David Murphy and Master Denis O'Leary (nephews); Mrs. J. Fynn, Miss A. Ryan, Tallow; Miss P. Murphy, and the Misses Nora, Sheila and Jane O'Leary (nieces); Commandant D. O'Byrne (son-in-law); D. O'Leary, B.A. O'Donoghue, Joseph O'Donoghue, Dan O'Donoghue (brothers-in-law); Mrs. Mollie Fitzgerald, Limerick; M. O'Neill, Cork; Mr. and Mrs. James Quinlan, Brickfield, Kilmac; Very Rev. M. Quinlan, P.P., Cratloe; H. Frazer, Mrs. E. O'Brien, Mrs. Martin, John Murphy, Patrick Quinlan, B.E., M.Sc.; Mrs. Michael O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. J. Thurlley, Tallow; Wm. Lewis, Miss Joan Lewis, Mrs. T. O'Keefe, D. Casey, L.D.S.; Mr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Mr. A. Fitzgerald, Dr. T. Fitzgerald (relatives).

Mass Cards were sent in by the following:—Loving wife, Pierce, Joan, Leish, James, Don, Denis, Julia and family, Jack and Anna, Willie, Julia and family, Joseph and Mary O'Donoghue and family, The O'Donoghue family, Clonmel; Jim and Helen, T. Morris and family, Edmond and Hannie Hogan, Madge and John Carroll, Fr. M. Quinlan, Fr. W. P. Fitzgerald, Fr. M. Galvin, The Knights of Columbus, Mitchelstown L.D.F., St. Vincent de Paul Society, The O.C. and Officers of 4th Batt., Fermoy, Cook Dental Students Society, Leo and Sheila Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. J. McRedmond, Joe and Mary Fitzsimons, the Hayes family, John and Mrs. Cusack, Major and Mrs. Noonan, Arthur and Mrs. Finn, the Corbett family, Mgt. English, Liam and Mrs. Boland, Mrs. J. Noonan and family, Ned and Neil Fenton, Mrs. and Mary Dillon, Mr. Ronan, Jerry Flynn and sisters, E. O'Sullivan, M. Barrett, G. and M. Murphy, F. and D. Kneeshaw, W. R. and Mrs. Barry, Peter and Mrs. Fleming, the Staff—Kitty Crowley, Teresa Holland, Kitty Roche and Dan Walsh, etc., etc.

Wires were received from:—Fr. McGarran, O.P.; Fr. McSwiggan, O.P.; Fr. Bob Murphy, C.F.; the Community Donerale, Fermoy, Youghal; Lieut. and F. O'Byrne, Senators Quirke, Keyes and Crowley, Sean Goulding, the Christian Brothers—Bros. O'Farrell, O'Connor, Kennelly, Hayes, Grace, Kennedy; the officers 9th Batt., Limerick and Tralee, etc., etc.

THE REAL BOLSHEVIC AIM

How Soviet Policy Works

NEW TACTICS OF THE COMINTERN

Some time ago it was announced that the Russian Communist Comintern had been dissolved. This announcement was a deliberate fraud intended to deceive people who take things entirely at their face value. That this is the case is made clear in the course of an illuminating article in the second number of "Fiat," an authoritative Catholic News Bulletin now being published in Dublin. The article shows that the real aim of the rulers of Russia at present is the Godless Bolshevization of Europe. It is as follows:—

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The significance of the new Comintern tactics was described in "The Patriot" of the 31st May, 1945. Apart from proving that the Comintern "was nothing but a tool of Soviet policy, which is a thing the Soviet Government always denied," the new move, according to this paper, resulted in the Comintern being driven underground, "which immediately gave it one of its greatest advantages for its future tasks." "Ever since its 'dissolution,'" we read, "the Comintern has not been obliged to announce its intention to the world at its annual congress," but its agents "have penetrated into every political and cultural organisation, into Trade Unions, in short, into every niche and cranny of Western democratic society," working not as communists, but "under cover of such names as 'anti-fascists,' 'patriots' and 'democrats.'" "The Comintern," "The Patriot" article concludes: "is in a much better position to-day than it was before its 'dissolution' in 1943."

NOW IN KEY POSITIONS.

Among those members of the Presidium of the Executive Committee of the Comintern who signed the resolution "dissolving" it were Dimitrov, Ercole, Kopenig, Marty and Thorez. Now, if "Stalin's word is his bond," as Mr. Churchill recently insisted, we would expect these members of the "dissolved" Comintern to abandon the world revolution for some more "peace-loving" pursuit. Yet all these Comintern agents are now occupying "key positions" in the unfortunate countries of Europe which they are supposed to represent. Nominally, then, the Comintern has been dissolved; actually its various members are more active, subversively, than ever before. They are, in fact, where they are wanted by the forces directing the World Revolution.

Dimitrov, for instance, has assumed leadership of the Bulgarian Communist Party, which has now firmly established itself in power. After the invasion of Italy, Ercole, alias Togliatti, was sent there from Moscow, and is now installed as Deputy Prime Minister in Rome. Although lacking the military support of the Red Army, the Communists in Italy seem to have the situation "well in hand." The "Catholic Herald" of the 10th November, 1944, quoted a statement of Mr. Bullitt, former U.S. Ambassador at Paris, to the effect that a few days after Ercole's return from Moscow 25,000,000 lire suddenly appeared to the credit of the Communist Party in a Naples bank. Kopenig is now Secretary of the Austrian Communist Party, and has been appointed a member of the Supreme Soviet of Dr. Renner's Moscow sponsored Austrian Government. As Dr. Renner is an old friend of the notorious Bela Kun, whose escapes from Hungary to Russia in 1919, and from Austria to Russia in 1928 were engineered by Renner, it is not surprising to find Communists in charge of the Ministries of the Interior, Justice, Education and Propaganda in the new Government.

IN FRANCE.

Thorez and Marty have, of course, returned to France to take over control of the Communist Party there. Thorez, Secretary of the Party, was sentenced in his absence by a military tribunal at Amiens in 1939 for desertion; in 1943, however, he escaped to Moscow, where he was employed as a propagandist for Moscow Radio and in the official paper "Pravda." Marty is likewise an experienced Comintern agent. As organizer of the International Brigade he was very prominent in Spain during the Civil War, and later he directed the revolt of the French sailors in the Black Sea.

It is the Comintern, then, that has "liberated" Europe. Wherever the Red armies have advanced Comintern agents have followed as puppet governments. In Rumania Molotov's deputy, Vyshinsky, who first became known to the world as the Presiding Judge in the famous Moscow trials, is directing the political operations, while Voroshilov has taken over command in Hungary. A Communist regime has also been set up in "Czechoslovakia" with the notorious Dr.

the German Army and then by the Red Army, and nothing was left of the ugly offspring of the Versailles Treaty.

But, as Mr. J. J. Campbell, Hon. Secretary of the Scottish Committee for Polish Freedom, said in an address in Barra on the 16th September, 1945: "The fate of Poland is now being overshadowed by the possibility of a greater tragedy for the whole of Christian Europe. The international forces which had been let loose for the destruction of Christianity in Spain have been partially successful in their evil designs on Poland. They are, however, far from content with such progress. France, Belgium, Italy, Germany and all the Baltic and Balkan States are marked down for Sovietization. Europe's fate is well described in an article by Major Lloyd, in "The Weekly Review" of the 15th February, 1945.

HYPOCRITICAL NONSENSE.

"How one longs for the so-called 'free' British Press to cease trying to sell to the British people all this hypocritical nonsense about the 'liberation' of Poland and the Baltic States," we read, "when the truth is that in the wake of the Russian armies there follows the creed of the hammer and sickle, the Communist terror of 'liquidation' and deportation, the imposition of Communist despotism, and the secret police. Everyone who knows the facts knows that these countries have definitely lost their freedom. They are not liberated—they are enslaved. The long-planned and carefully prepared plot to set up Communist-directed puppet governments wherever the writ of Russia runs, is now being implemented with a cruelty and callousness carefully hidden from the British people." "The war work of the Comintern," Major Lloyd truly adds, "has been successfully accomplished."

In an article in the same English paper for the 12th July, 1945, Mr. R. Arnold Jones writes: "We have not defended Europe against the barbarian. We have not even shut the gates. On the contrary we have opened them wide and sounded a fanfare to welcome the invader. So the Asiatics surge across Europe like a medieval plague. The opportunity which Marx dreamt of a century ago has now arrived."

In the last issue of his paper, "Die Neue Rheinische Zeitung," of the 19th May, 1849, Marx wrote: "When our turn comes revolutionary terrorism will not be sugar-coated. There is but one way of concentrating the death agony of the old society as well as the bloody labour of the new world's birth—Revolutionary Terror." And Lenin, having followed Marx's advice in Russia tells us in his book, "The Immediate Task of the Soviet," that: "To make this victory a permanent one by the total elimination of all the former leading classes will cause no greater difficulty in Europe than in Russia."

THE REAL AIM.

That the aim, then, of those who arranged the Second World War, which was necessary for its success, was the Bolshevization of Europe, is certain.

We have quoted from authoritative and first-class sources to show that by rigid censorship the Bolsheviks try to hide the realities of their regime from the outside world, and so maintain the myths built up during the last twenty years. In this paradise of the proletariat there is allowed neither freedom of speech nor of the Press.

Dr. Sherwood Eddy, who has lived in Soviet Russia, writes in his book, "The Challenge of Russia":—"The Government does not pretend or profess to provide for this bourgeois prejudice of liberty or formal democracy. It is a frank dictatorship. It denies at one sweep freedom of speech, of the Press, of assembly and association. One and only one political party is allowed. That dominates the Government, which in turn absolutely controls the Press, the radio, and all means of communication. There is a universal censorship of all publicity and all news and the complete suppression of any organised opposition to the dictatorship and its programme."

It may be contended that such conditions are more than counter-balanced by the increased prosperity and benefits which the Bolsheviks have conferred on the workers; not only a higher standard of living than that obtaining under the rule of the Tsar, but higher than that of the capitalist countries. Here is the

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Mr. Sean H. presided at the Limerick County Council, on Tuesday. The other members were: Very Rev. T. W. D. J. Madden, M. Co.C.; P. T. McMaulliffe, Co.C.; T. O'Connell, Co.C.

Very Rev. J. regretting inability to attend.

Mr. M. Moran also in attendance. Senator Madden's sympathy of extended to the Bishop-Elect O'Neill, and the Diocese, on the Very Rev. P. J. enton. The transaction and low shocked the people, and it was they should express sympathy with clergy on the ap.

The Chairman passed in silence standing as a m.

The Chairman his very pleasant a vote of congratulation to the Bishop-Elect on the See of St. M. very high honour richly deserved. given many professional and fitness to Diocese of Limerick, in appreciation of his services as successor to Dr. Keane, had wishes of the people and all that remained was to wish the years of vigorous him to discharge his spiritual duties.

Mr. McCarthy, and it was decidedly.

TRAVELLING

In connection made at a previous effect that telephoned to use the for official purposes. wrote stating that expenses should be minimum and in no expenses exceed be incurred if a system were available.

The C.E.O. said had applied to the it would seem to be in excess of obtaining.

The Chairman would be better system was content. It was improvement in system would be future.

This course was discussion.

The C.E.O. attendances at and 35 night classes of December for each class. good average a month of December highest average many years.

Senator Madden encouraging report.

Mr. McCarthy heard that the well patronised.

A letter was received from Killackey, Newmery manual for his superiors and enclosing a

The C.E.O. said had resigned his position.

It was decided on the agenda for Mrs. M. H. H. formerly domestic, wrote appropriate marriage gratuity.

The C.E.O. said had given long a gratuity of £243.

On the proposition Mr. McCarthy seconded it was unanimously agreed the full gratuity.

A request was made by the Committee of Finance to present a cup for the forthcoming year.

The C.E.O. said the Committee had a cup subject to the Department.

Mr. McCarthy's committee should give the object in view.

The Chairman's Committee had of £25 for their that the County do better by giving Irish scholarship.

GOOD SUCCESS Very Rev. Canon the Chairman's good one. They the Feile committee for the restoration of Irish language, better results would be increasing the scholarships.

Senator Madden's idea of extra £1 was an excellent his unqualified approval.

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