

IRISH NEWS

GENERAL.

Judge Bodkin was presented with white gloves at the recent Clare Sessions, there being no criminal cases.

The *Northern Whig* (Orange) informs Mr. Winston Churchill that his suggestion for a conference to modify the Partition Bill is futile.

Mr. J. L. Fawsitt, the Sinn Fein Consul to America, speaking in New York and referring to Mr. Henry Ford's plans for Cork Harbor, said that in five years Cork factories would employ 10,000 persons.

Padraic Pearse's one-act symbolic poem play, "The Singer," opened the season of the New York Celtic Players at Provincetown Theatre; and T. C. Murray's "Birthright" was also in the bill. Both pieces had a cordial reception.

The *Kilkenny Journal* states that Mr. J. Dickie, National Board Inspector, who has been transferred from Tipperary to Rallymeena, was ordered by armed men to leave Tipperary because of reports regarding his hostility to the teaching of Irish and of Irish ideals.

Members of the Irish police force are resigning in great numbers. There is scarcely an Irish paper to hand but contains long lists. Some of the men have had lengthy service and are forfeiting rights to pensions, etc., but the great majority are young men who joined since the war.

The Incorporated Law Society of Ireland had under consideration the position of solicitors practising before the Dail Eireann courts, an application having been made to strike them off the roll. The society decided it was a matter for the Government.

"Clones (Co. Monaghan) Sinn Feiners Aid the Government" is the heading given by a Unionist newspaper to an account of the activities of the Volunteers in destroying the apparatus and product of the poteen makers. Several stills were destroyed and the offenders heavily fined.

The *London Times*, speaking of the new (Nationalist and Sinn Fein) Corporation of Derry, says: "It is admitted by the Unionists that the new control has shown both zest and ability—has done its work creditably. It is admitted by Sinn Feiners that the Unionist officials have been perfectly loyal to their new masters, and have given them all assistance."

The *New York American*, commenting on Sir Edward Carson's hope that America will no longer discuss England's dealings with Ireland, points out that just three years ago, "the British Commission, headed by Balfour, was in America clamoring for America to drop into, instead of out of, the discussion which England was then having with Hindenburg and Ludendorff—and not having the best of it either. If Sir E. Carson has forgotten to be grateful for America's rescue of England, at least he ought not to misrepresent and malign the rescuer."

SINN FEIN VICTORIES.

COUNTY COUNCIL RESULTS ANALYSED.

An interesting analysis of the County Council elections (excluding Antrim, where the returns are not yet complete) is given by the *Irish Bulletin* (the official organ of the Sinn Fein party), which, pointing out that Sinn Fein and Republican-Labor in Munster, Leinster, and Connaught, represent full Republican gains, and that the Republican vote in the North is merged in the Nationalist vote, the whole representing the demand for complete self-determination, summarises the results as follows:—

	Seats.	Per cent.
S.F. (as distinct Party) ...	525 ...	75.1
S.F. and Rep.-Lab. ...	566 ...	80.9
Do. and Ulster Nat. ...	590 ...	84.4
Unionists ...	86 ...	12.3

The County Councils of Tipperary, N. and S. Cork, Waterford, Limerick, Kerry, Clare, Cavan, King's

County, Longford, Wexford, Carlow, Galway, Mayo, Roscommon, Sligo, and Leitrim, are exclusively Republican, the percentage in other counties being:— Donegal, 90; Derry, 42.1; Armagh, 34.7; Down, 25; Tyrone, 57.6; Fermanagh, 55; Monaghan, 80; Dublin, 73.6; Meath, 95.2; Kildare, 95.2; Queen's Co., 95.4; Louth, 67.8; Westmeath, 86.9; Wicklow, 88.9; and Kilkenny, 90.4.

THE VOICE OF THE NATION.

The following is the result of the County Council Elections—the first held for six years. The former political complexion of the bodies is shown in parenthesis:—

Connacht.	
Galway (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Leitrim (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Sligo (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Mayo (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Roscommon (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Leinster.	
Carlow (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Dublin (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Kildare (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Kilkenny (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
King's (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Longford (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Louth (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Meath (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Queen's (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Westmeath (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Wexford (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Wicklow (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Munster.	
Clare (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Cork (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Kerry (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Limerick (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Tipperary N. (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Tipperary S. (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Waterford (Sinn Fein) .....	Sinn Fein
Ulster.	
Antrim (Unionist) .....	Unionist
Armagh (Unionist) .....	Unionist
Cavan (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Donegal (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Down (Unionist) .....	Unionist
Fermanagh (Home Rule) .....	* Sinn Fein
Derry (Unionist) .....	Unionist
Monaghan (Home Rule) .....	Sinn Fein
Tyrone (Unionist) .....	* Sinn Fein

Practically every Poor-Law Board and Rural District Council in Connacht, Leinster, Munster, and in the Ulster Counties of Cavan, Donegal, and Monaghan has been won by Sinn Fein—a majority of these bodies have been won in Fermanagh and Tyrone, and several in the other four counties.

Out of 33 County Councils, Sinn Fein now controls 29. In the other four good gains have been made from the Unionists.

\* In Fermanagh and Tyrone Sinn Feiners and Parliamentarians united to defeat the Unionists. In both County Councils the Sinn Feiners are now the stronger in numbers; the absolute majority over the Unionists comprises, however, the Home Rulers.

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