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REDS STEAL ARMS FROM TEHERAN ARMOURY

Teheran, Wednesday.

A strong group of Communists are reported to have raided a large armoury here in the early hours of this morning.

Several machine guns and hundreds of rifles were lost in the raid. Very little police activity followed the discovery.

Today, the hurried emigration of Royal figures from Persia continues.

Persia's Queen Mother left Teheran early accompanied by her laughter, Princess Ashraf, twin sister of the Shah. They were escorted in their flight by the Princess's husband. The Shah's brother, Prince Aly Reza, will also leave shortly for "an indefinite stay abroad." These are said to be only "the first steps" in the reorganisation of the Royal Court demanded by Premier Mossadeq, who complains that the Royal women had been supporting his political opponents.

Many foreigners, as well, were today in readiness for a rapid move from Persia. Mossadeq's newspaper "Asr" says that the Persian Government has decided to "terminate the services of the American missions in Persia."

Three British nurses who were yesterday given an hour's notice to quit the country arrived safely at London Airport last night.

United States And Spain: What Franco Has Asked

Washington, Wednesday.

It is learned here that negotiations between the United States and Spain for American use of the Spanish air bases have been halted.

It is said that General Franco, in return for the use of the bases,

A New Headmaster Chosen For Limerick School Of Art

THE vacant post of Headmaster in the School of Art, Municipal Technical Institute, Limerick, was filled at a special meeting of the City Vocational Education Committee held on Monday night last at which Mr. P. J. Dennellan, B.C., Chairman, presided. The successful candidate was Mr. Patrick McAvoy, 76 Miller Street, Larkhall, Lanarkshire, Scotland, and in him the Committee feel sure that they have secured a highly competent headmaster.

EIGHT CANDIDATES WERE INTERVIEWED

The C.E.O. (Mr. J. G. O'Donnell, B.Comm.) said at the outset that the interview, in connection with the filling of the post, took place in the offices of the Department of Education, Dublin. Present were the Chairman of the Committee, two senior Inspectors of the Department (including the Art Inspector), the Director of the National College of Art, and himself. Ten names had been recommended by the Department as qualified candidates, and only nine of them could have attended as one from Australia could not attend the interview. Eight of the candidates turned up and were interviewed, and the full details were gone into. The Inspectors reviewed them in the light of their general suitability and executive ability; and finally the Board of interviewers was unanimous in selecting Mr. Patrick McAvoy as first choice; second choice was Mr. Beaucamp Cameron, Edinburgh, Scotland; next in order was Mr. Andrew Wilson Bath England, and fourth was Mr. R. J. Hobbs, Monkstown, Co. Dublin.

HIGH QUALIFICATIONS.

The C.E.O. then read the qualifications of the successful candidate, Mr. McAvoy. He was aged 32 years, he said, and was married. At present he was the responsible teacher of Art in St. Mary's School, Hamilton, Lanarkshire, and in 1939 he attained the Scottish Higher Leaving certificate and the prospective teacher's religious certificate. He also secured a four years diploma of Art in the Glasgow School of Art and gained the teacher's certificate in Jordanhill Training College, Scotland. His qualifications in Art were: Diploma of Art in drawing

and painting. He had over seven years teaching experience in day schools, including the Glasgow School of Art. His practical experience covered Exhibition Standard in drawing and painting; a working knowledge of sculpture (modelling and casting); of fabric painting, leatherwork, lettering, illumination, stained glass, china painting, display interior decoration and general design and history of art and architecture. He had also a technical knowledge of other crafts, and was organiser and supervisor of the Art Department in a school of 800 pupils. He was also a member of the executive committee of the Catholic Guild of Artists, Scotland. References of recommendation were submitted by the headmasters of the Gray's School of Art, Aberdeen and the St. Mary's J. S. School Hamilton, and by Right Rev. Mgr. G. Rogers, D.D., D.C.L., V.G., Motherwell Diocese.

"AN OUTSTANDING MAN."

The Chairman said that certainly Mr. McAvoy was one of the most impressive men that he had the experience of listening to. He certainly knew his job. The markings concerning each candidate were left to each individual member of the interviewing board and they marked the list in order of merit. Mr. O'Donnell and himself both gave Mr. McAvoy 88 marks each while the Department Inspectors gave him 90 each.

The Chairman added that Mr. McAvoy was certainly an outstanding man and he should fill the post with distinct credit if he takes it.

Very Rev. P. J. Canon Lee, P.P., St. Mary's — What salary are we offering to him?

C.E.O. — £615, rising by increments to £802.

Chairman — I hope that he will come, as he is a very good man.

Mr. M. B. O'Malley, B.C., solr., — I propose him.

Mr. P. O'Connell, B.C., seconded.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Chairman — When you see him, gentlemen, you will like him. If he lives up to his qualifications there is no doubt that he will be an acquisition to us. We were very pleased when the final vote was known.

The candidature of Mr. McAvoy was unanimously approved of by the members.

CHURCH SCENE BISHOP'S SERMON INTERRUPTED

DETAILS of a scene in the Protestant Church of St. Pe Shaldon, Devon, yesterday, made known to day (says the News Agency).

The Protestant Bishop of Dr. R. C. Mortimer, was present on the church's fiftieth anniversary when one of a party, consisting of two men and two women, interrupted, saying:—"My Lord Bishop protest at this idolatrous sermon."

Asked to leave, the party of thirty visiting clergy then chancel and assisted attendees forcibly removing the party.

Prayer books were thrown, overturned and the Bishop's chain's surplice torn.

A peacemaking member of congregation had her hand bled. Two women in the congregation fainted.

The party were then removed, the door locked.

The Bishop abandoned his sermon, and asked the congregation to pray for "those misguided people."

The objectors are members of the Protestant Union, which has the tendency to restore the Church of England.

Peer Who Found His Title A Curse

London, Wednesday.

A Peer who found his Irish title (created in 1800, the year of the Union) "nothing but a curse" has died aged 67. He was the worthy Wellington Thomas Rowley, seventh Baron Limerick, who once was a labourer in Limerick, and declared:—"I would give my title away if I could cause to me the name Lord Limerick is nothing but a curse. It brought me ill-luck from the day I was born."

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