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Aer Rianta and British European Airways to begin discussions on cross-Channel services to Dublin Airport

# AIR TALKS AT A NEW STAGE

Aer Lingus staffs will not be affected

'No jewels' by request

TWENTY-TWO women members of the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra have been asked not to wear jewellery when the orchestra performs its fourth season of Promenade Concerts in Liverpool Stadium next month.

Bishop of Kerry says Irish don't intend to vanish

MOST REV. DR. D. MOYNIHAN, Bishop of Kerry, left Philadelphia yesterday for New York for a three-day stay as guest of the Philadelphia Kerryman's Association.

Speaking to the Association before he left, the Bishop praised the Catholic education system in Philadelphia, describing it as perfectly organised. Speaking of the Irish at home, he said, "We are not vanishing, and we do not intend to vanish."

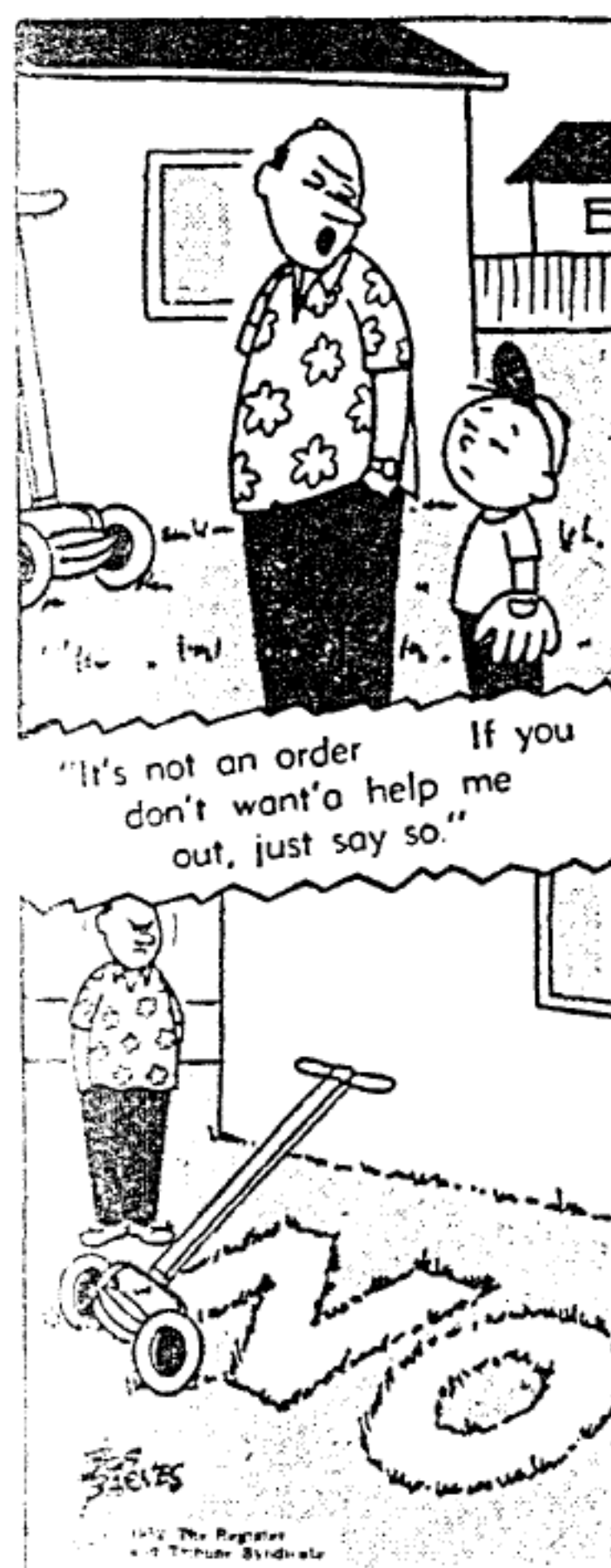
Dr. Moynihan will be honoured as the winner of the New York Kerryman's Association to-night, and will celebrate Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral to-morrow morning.

Derby draw to-day

The mixing of counterfoils in the Irish Hospitals' Sweep on the Derby was completed yesterday. The draw begins at the Sweepstakes Hall, Ballbridge, at 9.30 a.m. to-day and concludes on Monday. The race will be run next Wednesday.

Jet plane down

A meteor jet aircraft was reported down in the sea near Portsmouth Naval Base yesterday.



Weather forecast

Forecast for 6 a.m. to midnight. Sunny periods. Occasional drizzle after dark. Light drizzle or North-westerly breeze at first. Moderate temperature.

TO-DAY'S TIDES

Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low
11.28	5.12	3.44	1.03	5.12	3.44
1.32	5.12	3.44	3.26	5.12	3.44
3.56	5.12	3.44	5.50	5.12	3.44
6.24	5.12	3.44	8.48	5.12	3.44
11.28	5.12	3.44	1.03	5.12	3.44

Lighting-up Time 10.27

Barometer (at 11) 101.0

Wind (at 11) 111

Direction (at 11) 111

Force (at 11) 111

State of sky (at 11) 111

Direction of wind (at 11) 111

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IRISH PRESS Reporter  
NEGOTIATIONS on the future of air services into Dublin Airport have reached a new stage. Anglo-Irish discussions, at Government level, have been temporarily adjourned, pending talks between Aer Rianta and B.E.A. It is assumed that any decisions reached will be referred to the Irish and British Governments.

The most important aspect of the talks, I understand concerns the sharing of some Ireland-Britain services between Aer Lingus and B.E.A. If charter services are permitted, indications are that a British company are very interested in operating "hop" schedules to the Twenty-Six Counties on similar lines to the Lympe-Le Torquet run.

Under the 1946 agreement Aer Lingus has a capital of £5 million, of which almost £1 million has been paid. B.E.A. holds 40 per cent, and Aer Lingus the remainder. Profits, under the agreement, are shared, although the British company agree to meet 60 per cent of any losses on the services.

In November, 1953, a four-man British delegation had a two-day discussion on the agreement with the Irish Government. This meeting, at the request of the British Government, was adjourned to allow both sides "to study further matters."

In London

Four months later, Mr. J. Leydon, then secretary of the Department of Industry and Commerce, flew to London on a two-day visit. He was guest of Sir Gilmour Jenkins, the then Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, and Sir George Cribbet, Deputy Secretary. It is believed the 1946 agreement again came under discussion.

Whatever happens now, it is almost certain that British European Airways will not arrive at Dublin this year. Their chief executive, Mr. Peter Masfield, writing in last month's edition of the B.E.A. house magazine, referred to the company's scarcity of operational aircraft, and said their summer schedules would leave few aircraft "on the loose."

It is understood that the amendments to the 1946 agreement will require certain changes in capital issue.

But these adjustments in Aer Lingus capital and assets will present no great difficulty.

Dublin base

It is further reliably understood that if British charter companies are allowed into Ireland, their landing base will be Dublin Airport.

It is highly unlikely that any British company would consider spending the enormous sums required to provide a suitable base elsewhere in the Twenty-Six Counties. Shannon Airport is now the only alternative to Collinstown with the proper facilities to receive planes.

The cost of cross-Channel flights to Shannon would make charter flying prohibitive and uneconomic, especially in opposition to existing prices from London to Dublin.

Our Air Correspondent writes that the prospect of B.E.A. services into Collinstown is not regarded with any apprehension by Aer Lingus. It should lead to an increase in the total traffic.

It is understood that Aer Lingus will perform the handling duties at Collinstown, just as B.E.A. provide handling facilities for Aer Lingus at British centres.

Any new development will have no effect on Aer Lingus staffs.

£64m. for Ford

A director of the Ford Motor Co., Ltd., of London, says that the company plans to spend £64,285,730 on expansion in the next five years.

"New facilities will make the company look like a miniature Ford River Rouge plant," Sir Standford Cooper said yesterday in Buffalo, New York.

Cyclist's fatal fall

Accidental death was the verdict at the inquest on James W. Byrne (59), forestry worker, Ballyeustace, Ballinacash, who died in St. Colman's Hospital, Wicklow, from head injuries after he fell off his bicycle while coming from Mass.

Price index up

Figures issued yesterday by the Central Statistics Office show a rise of six points in the Agricultural price index number between January and February last. The number was 333 in January, 327 in January and 314 in February, 1954.

Mrs. Pandit, LL.D.

An honorary degree of Doctor of Law will be conferred on Mrs. Pandit, Indian Ambassador to Ireland, by the University of London on November 24.

Nehru for Rome

The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, will visit Rome on his way to Russia next month.

Thirty-four years ago



Men of the Dublin Brigade I.R.A. who took part in the attack on the Custom House on May 25, 1921, will march to-morrow to the scene of that epic fight and honour their comrades who fell. This picture was taken by J. Cashman on the day of the attack. (See Page 7.)

## BRITISH DOCKERS TAKE DETERMINED STAND

'STRIKE MONDAY, UNLESS'

THE British dock strike is on "unless there are any developments," said Mr. William Newman, assistant secretary of the Stevedores' Union (N.A.S.D.), last night. Mr. Newman made the statement after nearly six hours' talks at the British Ministry of Labour. The strike is due to begin on Monday.

Minister extends benefits of Wet Time scheme

THE Minister for Social Welfare, Mr. Corish, has made an Order extending the benefits of the Insurance (Intermittent Unemployment) Act, 1942, usually termed the Wet Time Scheme, to employees in the civil engineering and painting trades.

Up till now the scheme was confined to manual workers in the building trade, but there is power to extend it to other manual workers. The extension will now benefit, on the average, an extra 7,000 workers in the civil engineering and painting trades.

Recognition is the crux

The N.A.S.D. is demanding local and national recognition on the negotiating machinery of the industry, and has rejected proposals put by the T.U.C. that they should abide by the established procedure for settling inter-union differences.

The Transport & General Workers' Union is also opposing the strike, and accuses the N.A.S.D. of "poaching."

Child found on rail line dies

Three-years-old Vincent Dalton of Courtown Rd., Killeck, Co. Kildare, who was found lying seriously injured on the railway line at Killeck on Thursday, died in Jervis St. Hospital, Dublin, last night.

The child was found on the lines near Killeck Railway Bridge, a short distance from his home. It is not yet known whether he was struck by a passing train or injured in falling down the embankment.

Betrayed secrets

The J.S. Army court martial in Berlin found Private William T. Marchuk, guilty of betraying American intelligence secrets to Russia and sentenced him to 12 years' imprisonment and a disbarment.

14 Seamen lost

The Polish News Agency announced yesterday that the Polish fishing vessel Czubak sank "recently" in the North Sea. Only four of the 18 crewmen were saved.

Jobs for Africans

After a long period of labour unrest and a two months strike, European miners in the Northern Rhodesia copper belt yesterday agreed to concede certain jobs to Africans.

Blast kills two

Two persons were killed and a dozen injured when a fireworks factory blew up in a Naples suburb yesterday.

Four killed

A car skidded from a dead-end waterfront street in Chester, Pennsylvania, into the Delaware River early yesterday, carrying four young people to their deaths.

Taoiseach's call to British A.P. congress

THE Taoiseach says in a message to the Anti-Partition of Ireland League in Britain that the achievement of a united Ireland can be secured, not merely by making known to the people of Britain the injustice of Partition and the evil resulting from it, but by creating an informed public opinion which would appreciate the advantages to both countries on its ending.

The Taoiseach's message will be read to delegates attending the League's annual meeting in Liverpool to-day.

"Our hope is that however difficult the task may appear to be, you will continue with even greater zeal and energy in your work," the message adds.

Dalkey crowns island king to-morrow

IRISH PRESS Reporter

A new King of Dalkey Island will be enthroned in Sorrento Park, Dalkey, to-morrow.

The yet-unnamed King has been already selected for the traditional burlesque coronation ceremony. Sceptre and crown went to the winner of a competition open to Leinster for the most manly and most competent young Irish speaker.

A panel of judges have picked the most attractive and most competent Irish-speaking young woman to be his Queen Consort.

The ceremony has been organised by C.A.R.A. (Friends of the Language) as a bi-lingual festival. During the day an Aerloch will be held, followed by a Coronation Ceilí in Dun Laoghaire.

Pull won't get you these jobs

PULL won't get you a job in a State-sponsored company, the general manager of Aer Lingus, Mr. J. F. Dempsey, told the annual conference of Irish Management Institute in Killarney, yesterday.

"It is to the credit of the members of successive governments," he said, "that I have never been subjected to any pressure in regard to selection of staff."

£17,325 for a Rubens

A Rubens canvas, "Democritus and Heraclitus," sent for sale at Christie's yesterday by an unnamed nobleman was sold for £17,325.

Can we stay neutral in atomic war?

'BEST COURSE,' SAYS CAPT. LIDDELL HART

IRISH PRESS Reporter

"NEUTRALITY is the most sensible course for a small nation to take in the age of nuclear warfare," said Capt. B. H. Liddell Hart, internationally known authority on warfare and military affairs, in Kilkenny last night.

He was speaking in the annual debate of the Kilkenny Arts Society. The subject was: "In the atomic age, can a small nation stand alone?"

Other speakers were Dr. Noel Browne, Senator Owen Sheehy Skeffington, Brig-General Dorman O'Gowan, and Mr. D. Costello, T.D.

Not outdated

Captain Liddell Hart said it was very commonly said that neutrality was out of date, but there were a number of exceptions during the last war including Sweden, Switzerland, Spain and Ireland which kept out of the war from beginning to end.

Their successful maintenance of neutrality could not be ascribed to their remoteness. The greatest advantage of all for Germany would have come from the occupation of Ireland.

The Germans could thereby have gained a stranglehold on the British arteries of supply provided that they could maintain their grip—which was the crux of the matter.

"We may thus conclude that neutrality remains possible where the country is capable of sufficient resistance as to make it look likely that the cost to the aggressor will exceed his profits."

Neutrality, Captain Liddell Hart said, might become rather more feasible in the atomic age than in the past; less actually dangerous than the situation of small nations which entered into the defence system of one or other of the great atomic armed powers.

If hydrogen bombs were used in war, the destruction would be so tremendous and so quickly paralysing that the war could hardly continue.

Big question

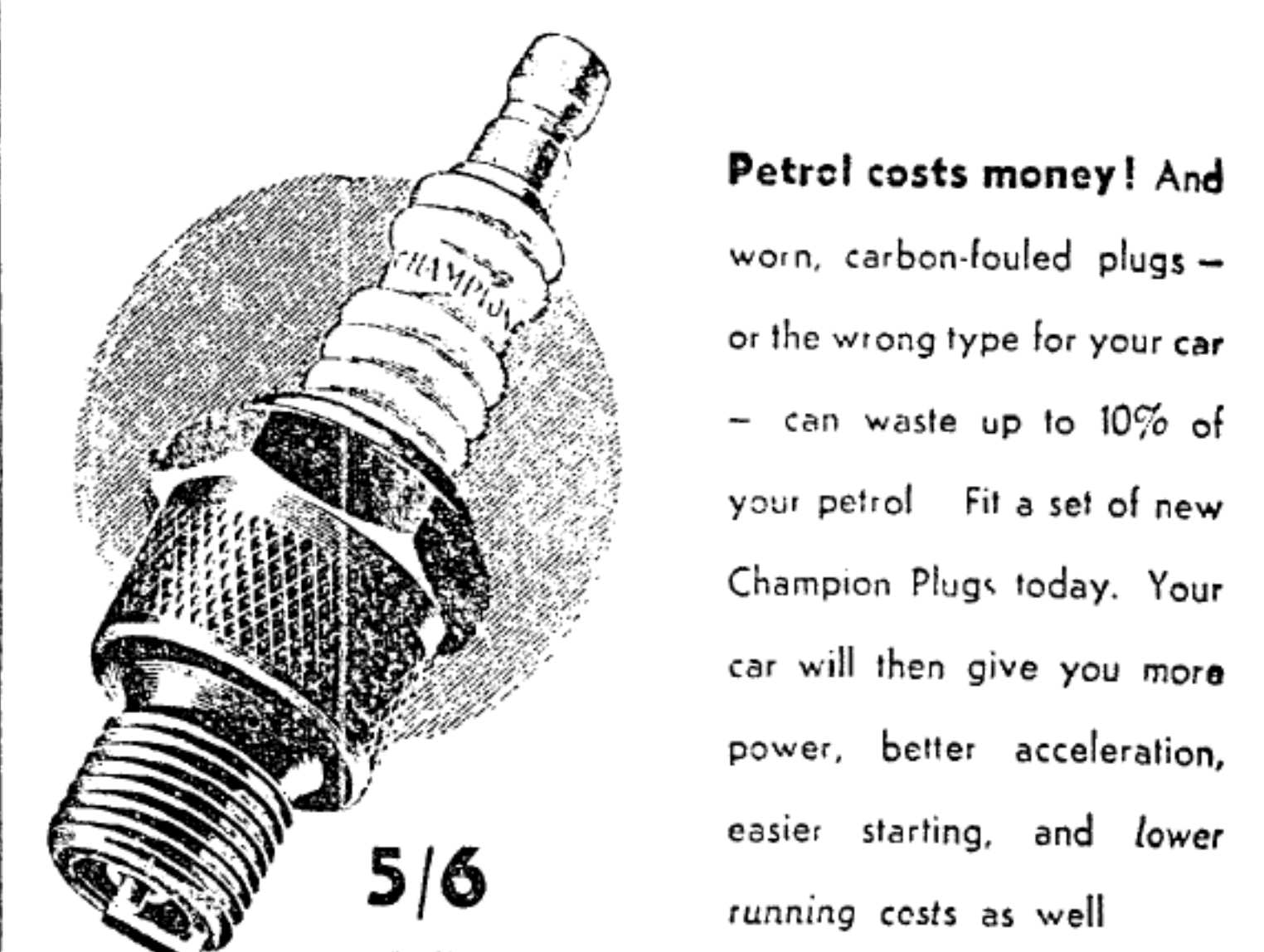
Dr. Browne said it seemed to him that small nations had a choice of becoming satellite States of the East or entering what was

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