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TIME IS RUNNING OUT

EDITORIAL

- The Loyalist community in Ulster has witnessed yet again the mass release of many internees. Men who were and, in the eyes of many, still are a threat to the well-being of this province.
- It is all part of Mr. Whitelaw's policy for Northern Ireland. He wants to give the Minority everything they feel they deserve and he ignores the protestations and the warnings of those in the country who know the rebels for what they are. Those of us who have been loyal subjects to Queen and country since birth and who can boast of our fathers and grandfathers having served in the armed forces when Britain faced a terrible foe are being treated as if we did not exist.
- Government policy is now geared to appeasing the destroyer, the murderer, the protection of murderers and the enemy of the State.Mr. Heath has said that we are fighting a war. If this is war then the Government can justifiably be accused of collaborating with the enemy. No country in the world and no government in its right senses would tolerate a situation such as exists in Ulster to-day.
- When one releases one hundred and twentyfive internees one does not expect to have two of one's own soldiers shot dead as a thank-you present. This, however, is the type of enemy Ulster has.
- Mr. Whitelaw can continue with his crazy notions but he can be assured of the most drastic consequences if he does.
- Better that he recognise the reality of the situation this week than continue on the road to blood-shed and ultimate disaster.

EDITOR.

As the barricades went up last week-end there was an air of anticipation in the people of the various sealed-off areas.

It was as although this was a dressrehearsal for greater events to come.

The resolve of the loyalist community has most certainly been showy and anyone who was in any doubt about our determination must now be completely satisfied that we mean business.

The dignified and sombre parade and review at the City Hall on Saturday was greatly appreciated and respected by the loyalist onlookers. The Orange Volunteers proved themselves to be organised, resolute and a future bulwark in the defence of the province.

The ordinary man in the street recognises that sooner or later a time will come when the people of this province will decide for themselves and in their own way what the vesting of the country will be.

He knows that that time is not far off and the loyalist community is satisfied that it can and will win the ensuing battle.

Numbers please

All members of the constabulary, both R.U.C. and the Reserve should display their shoulder-flashes and identifying numbers. That is the rule. These must be displayed on uniforms and overcoats.

When the police were hammering the Willowfield Protestants recently they must have forgotten to display these identifying markings; but in rebel areas they display them. Protestants should now make sure that they do in their areas in future. Any man in uniform that does not do so runs the risk of being mistaken for an imposter.