

BRYAN CONDEMNS ARMENIA MANDATE

Flouts Wilson's Proposal as "Impossible" and Full of Entanglements

ENORMOUS EXPENSE CITED

By the Associated Press. Washington, May 25.—William J. Bryan took flat issue today with President Wilson on the question of an American mandate over Armenia, declaring in a statement that "any mandate is impossible."

The United States, Mr. Bryan said, could do more toward making the world safe for democracy, "even for democracy in Armenia," by recognizing the Armenian republic and entering the League of Nations "as the friend of all little countries."

"Any mandate is impossible," Mr. Bryan's statement said without other preface. "The one proposed for Armenia, if accepted, would involve us in an enormous expenditure in a time when war taxation is still so grievous a burden that Congress has difficulty in finding the money necessary to do justice to the men who served in the world war."

BRITISH DOUBT U. S. WILL GET ARMENIA

London, May 25.—President Wilson's request that Congress sanction acceptance by the United States of the mandate for Armenia is attracting great interest here. The story is given much prominence in the morning newspapers, but the news was received too late for editorial comment.

Some of the newspapers, however, print short explanatory notes, which reflect doubt as to whether Congress will comply with the President's suggestion. The London Times remarks that recent dispatches from Washington have shown that the people of the United States just now have a strong distaste for any foreign commitments.

The Daily News points out that since acceptance of the mandate would virtually imply indorsement of the covenant of the League of Nations and membership in the league, it is hardly conceivable that Congress will fall in line with the President's wishes. "The President's action," the Daily News adds, "doubtless has tactical bearing on the impending election campaign, in which the peace treaty and the issues arising from it will figure largely. There also are some grounds for reading in it a desire on the part of the President to manifest his own concern to the fate of Armenia."

BULGARIA "COMES BACK"

Balkan State Gets Busy Without Outside Assistance

Sofia, May 25.—By A. P.—Bulgaria has had a remarkable recovery from the war. Contrasted to the situation that existed a year ago, the conditions prevailing today give promise that the country will outdistance all other Balkan states in regaining its normal economic strength. And the remarkable fact is that this quick recovery has been made without any outside assistance. Apart from some flour purchased from the United States last year, Bulgaria has had to depend for its subsistence and support entirely upon its own resources.

While other Balkan countries have been busy celebrating the victories and seeking the acquisition of new territories, Bulgaria has been hard at work. Its factories, farms and mills are going full blast. Chastened by defeat, the people are working with doubled energy to regain their former footing. The farms are yielding good crops, the fields are teeming with cattle, the mines are busy and the shops are filling up.

MAIMED BY HELPFUL WIFE

Farmer Seriously Injured When Spouse Runs Tractor. Smyrna, Del., May 25.—While her husband was eating luncheon which she had brought out to a field on their farm just south of here yesterday, Mrs. Alfred Kirby undertook to help him by running the tractor.

DANIELS "BORED" BY ADMIRAL FISKE

"Monumental Egotist" Persistently Urged German System, Secretary Testifies

"WROTE ME LETTER A DAY"

By the Associated Press. Washington, May 25.—The old controversy between Secretary Daniels and Rear Admiral Fiske was revived today before the Senate committee investigating the navy's conduct of the war. Chairman Hale gave notice that Admiral Fiske would be called to testify to charges made by Mr. Daniels under cross-examination by the chairman that the admiral had sought to "Prussianize" the navy.

Secretary Daniels said the summoning of Admiral Fiske would be satisfactory to him, but that he would insist upon an opportunity to appear before the committee again after the admiral had testified. Repeating to the chairman, Mr. Daniels said he had never paid much attention to Admiral Fiske's plan to reorganize the Navy Department in 1915.

"He bored me to exhaustion," declared Mr. Daniels. "He was a monumental egotist. He thought the German general staff system was the best in the world and wrote me about one letter a day urging me to approve its adoption for our navy."

"His favorite illustration of the way the system worked in Germany was a story that when the Franco-Prussian war broke out Moltke was asked when he would go to sleep after the war was declared. 'I did not want a chief of naval operations who would go to sleep after the war was declared,' Mr. Daniels said he was 'aimed for operations, or I should say, obstacle for operations.'

ENTIRE POLISH LINE SCENE OF FIGHTING

Warsaw and Moscow Continue to Give Out Conflicting Reports of Progress

16 SOVIET DIVISIONS IN FRAY

By the Associated Press. London, May 25.—Russian soviet forces have occupied a number of villages on the west bank of the Dnieper river from fourteen to twenty-seven miles north of Kiev, according to an official statement issued in Moscow yesterday and received here by wireless. The text of the statement follows:

In the region of Sventigorod, southwest of Kiev, our troops, after holding up the enemy's advance, have flung him back by a counter-attack in a north-westerly direction. Fierce fighting is proceeding from twenty-four to thirty miles southeast of Vapniarka station. Our troops, pursuing the enemy in the region of Noledebnenko, have occupied Dokhitcha and a number of other villages.

East of Minsk we have occupied a number of villages while fierce fighting is proceeding in the district near the mouth of the River Orsha. Our troops along the Beresina river have captured an enemy steamer and three barges.

Warsaw, May 25.—(By A. P.)—Bohevik troops which succeeded in crossing the Upper Beresina in several places have been driven back across the river with heavy losses, including more than 400 prisoners, according to an official statement issued here yesterday. The Russians are attacking along the entire northern Polish front, but have been checked everywhere, it is declared.

The Bolsheviks have brought up the largest number of troops ever faced by the Poles. Sixteen divisions have thus far been identified as taking part in the struggle. Soviet cavalry is being used in the swamp country and it is known that at least one mounted division is in action. Both sides are using airplanes, armored automobiles and armored trains wherever possible.

Store Makes 50 Per Cent Cut

Elmira, N. Y., May 25.—Department stores in Elmira yesterday announced through extensive space in newspapers that they have joined in the general movement to force down prices. One store advertises reductions of 20 to 50 per cent in every department. Another store in its announcement says: "We will join with other stores of the country to force down prices. We will not buy merchandise in the future which we feel is priced too high."

CALLS "SOCIETY" LAWLESS

Resists Enforcement of Dry Law, Says Doctor Elliot. Boston, May 25.—Dr. Charles W. Elliot, president emeritus of Harvard University, stirred his big audience to applause at the annual meeting of the Unitarian Temperance Society when he charged that so-called "good society" was the element that was furnishing a large part of the resistance to the prohibition amendment and that by its tactics it was "teaching lawlessness to our youth."

Doctor Elliot also charged that there was much drinking among Harvard students, and added that "the young women of our community evidently do not object to meeting the students when they are woody."

"They meet these young men," he said, "at balls and such affairs given by our matrons who to all appearances countenance this sort of thing."

APPROVES FRENCH WHEAT CONTROL

Paris, May 25.—The text of the proposed law establishing the price of wheat and otherwise exercising control over the wheat supply of the country was approved by the cabinet today. The law would authorize the government to buy all domestic wheat of the 1920 crop, as well as all foreign wheat needed to provision the country.

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TEMPLARS PARADE IN YORK

Philadelphia Makes Strong Bid for Next Year's Conclave. York, Pa., May 25.—(By A. P.)—Four thousand plumed Knights Templar paraded over the principal streets of York this morning and then proceeded to the fair ground, where they were reviewed by the officers of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania.

Members of eighty commanderies and twenty bands took part in this feature event of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, which opened here today.

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