

Near East Events Approaching Climax

Reuter Reports Abdication of Sultan of Turkey.

British Cabinet Regards Situation Increasingly Critical—Angora Assembly Will Not Agree to Cessation Hostilities—Irish Republican Leaders Hold Diverse Views.

SULTAN ABDICATED. LONDON, Sept. 28. The Sultan of Turkey has abdicated, according to a Reuter despatch from Constantinople by way of Paris.

TURKS OCCUPY WHOLE NEUTRAL ZONE. CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 28. The Turkish Nationalists have occupied the whole of the neutral zone on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles with the exception of the Chanak area, where the British are entrenched.

APPROACHING A CLIMAX. CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 28. Events are surely approaching a climax. The Turks have occupied the whole neutral zone on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles with the exception of the Chanak area around which they have established infantry units in a semi-circle, virtually investing the British lines. British reinforcements are reaching here and the threatened area. The upper-dreadnaughts Revenge and Resolution, the most powerful fighting machines afloat, have arrived at the Dardanelles with a battalion of the North Staffordshires and one thousand men of the British Air Forces landed to-day and marched through Constantinople with bands playing. The Turkish instructions to

the men in the Chanak sector are to advance the farthest possible without meeting resistance. They are now practically against the British entrenchments and obviously the situation cannot be indefinitely prolonged.

SITUATION INCREASINGLY CRITICAL. LONDON, Sept. 28. At the close of this afternoon's meeting of the cabinet it was stated that the situation was regarded as increasingly critical. A third meeting will be held this evening.

ANGORA'S DECISION. LONDON, Sept. 28. An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Paris gives a report that the Angora Assembly in secret session, decided to notify Kemal Pasha that it was unable to agree to any cessation of hostilities or participation in the peace conference until the restoration to Turkey of all its territories in accordance with the National pact.

FRENCH SHIPPING HELD UP. PARIS, Sept. 28. One-third of the shipping of Marseilles is held up through the refusal of seamen to embark unless the eight hour day is assured. Eight thousand passengers are stranded without lodgings.

THE RED LOCAL STILL DISSATISFIED. SYDNEY, N.S.W., Sept. 28. Phalen local, U.M.W., at New Aber-

deen, is attempting to have a resolution adopted in District 26 rejecting the new wage contract recently negotiated on the grounds that the contract was forced upon the men under the lash of hunger, military despotism and threats of the Provincial Government that the pumps would be manned under armed guards with authority to intimidate the miners. It is evident that the majority are against the resolution and that the contract will be signed.

SUMMER WEATHER ON PRAIRIES. WINNIPEG, Sept. 28. The Prairie Provinces are experiencing an extraordinary return of summer weather, with temperatures ninety-six at Saskatoon and ninety-four at Moose Jaw. The lowest maximum temperature of seventy-two was recorded at Calgary.

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REPUBLICAN LEADERS HAVE SERIOUS DIFFERENCES. DUBLIN, Sept. 28. Eamonn de Valera, leader of the Republican forces, and Liam Lynch, chief of the staff of the Republican army, have parted, according to extracts from correspondence seized by the Free State forces and read by General Mulcahy, Commander of the National Army, in the session of Dail Eireann yesterday. These extracts disclosed there were serious differences of opinion between the irregular leaders.

FORD AS PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. BAY CITY, Mich., Sept. 28. A proposal to endorse Henry Ford for the Presidency of the United States, was prepared for presentation to the resolutions committee of the Democratic State convention here to-day.

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Daylight Saving. STANDARD TIME ON SUNDAY. On Sunday next the Anderson Daylight Saving Scheme, will cease for 1922 and from thence until old Sol returns and the long days of 1923 begin, standard time will be the rule. At eleven o'clock Sunday night, time pieces will be put back one hour. Those not prone to early rising will appreciate the benefit of the Daylight Bill all the more when they realize on Monday morning that they have an hour for an extra snooze.

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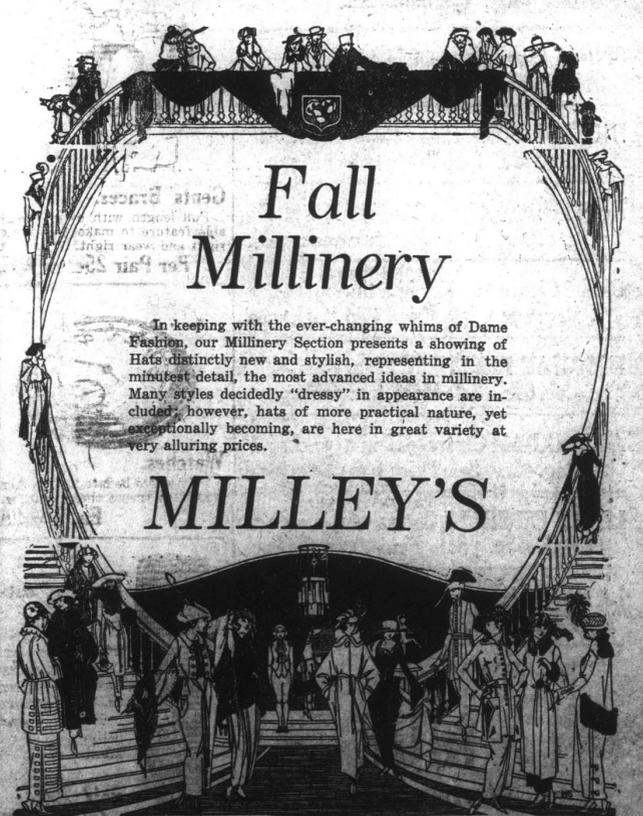
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