

William Jennings Bryan Resigns Secretaryship

DID NOT AGREE WITH WILSON'S POLICY IN REGARD TO GERMANY

The American Press on the Situation—Look For a Policy of Thorough Americanism—Russians Still Retiring Towards Lemburg—Allies Resume Offensive at Dardanelles.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Wm. Jennings Bryan, three times Democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States, and author of nearly thirty peace treaties with the principle nations of the world, resigned yesterday as secretary of state as a dramatic sequel to his disagreement with President Wilson over the government's policy toward Germany.

The resignation was accepted by the President. The cabinet then approved the response which had been prepared to the German reply to the Lusitania note.

Rather than sign the document, which he believed might possibly draw the United States into war, Mr. Bryan submitted his resignation in a letter, declaring that "the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be as unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest my heart, namely, the prevention of war."

The President accepted the resignation in a letter of resignation, tinged with deep personal feeling of affection. The letters constituting the official announcement of Mr. Bryan's departure from the cabinet to private life were made public at the White House at six o'clock last night.

The resignation of Mr. Bryan caused a sensation in the national capital, scarcely paralleled in recent years. Ambassadors, ministers and diplomatists from foreign lands, officials of every rank and station, interpreted variously its effect on the delicate situation that has arisen between Germany and the United States.

Originally it was the intention of the President and Mr. Bryan to have the announcement of the resignation made simultaneously with the despatch of the note to Germany, but when Mr. Bryan did not attend the cabinet today until President Wilson sent for him, rumors that the President had been unable to bring the secretary to his point of view filled the air.

Just when the subject was first broached between the President and Mr. Bryan is not known definitely, but the fact that Mr. Bryan would resign was known to a small circle of officials as early as last Sunday. When the principles on which the note to Germany should be based were discussed at the cabinet meeting on Friday, Mr. Bryan found that he could not reconcile his own position with that of the administration.

Today the cabinet assembled for a final reading of the note. Mr. Bryan was absent. At the White House no word as to the reasons for his failure to appear at the meeting were given, but after the cabinet had been discussing the note for an hour Mr. Bryan arrived, telling the newspaper men at the White House that he regretted being late.

It was learned last night that with the knowledge that his resignation had already been accepted by the President, Mr. Bryan felt it would be indelicate to attend yesterday's session unless his presence was desired by the President.

It came to light yesterday that the position of Mr. Bryan in the cabinet recently has become very embarrassing—his advocacy of peace being so pronounced that other members of the cabinet who felt that the United States should assert its policy irrespective of the consequences, were understood to have on one occasion declared their intention of resigning if a policy of firmness and vigor was not adopted.

AMERICAN PRESS VIEWS.

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Views of the American Press

NEW YORK, June 9.—The American press this morning comments editorially on Secretary of State Bryan's resignation. The Cleveland says the resignation of Wm. Jennings Bryan as Secretary of State is a distinct and important victory for strong and thorough going Americanism.

CHICAGO, June 9.—The Herald says, probably for the first time in his public career, Wm. Jennings Bryan will find the people of America practically unanimous in favor of something he has put forward, his resigning from the cabinet.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The Post says, Mr. Bryan's resignation as Secretary of State is not a surprise. The place has not been congenial to him and he has been more and more inclined to turn from politics to the field of religion and temperance.

PHILADELPHIA, June 9.—The Public Leader says, nothing in Mr. Bryan's tenure of office as Secretary of State becomes him like the bearing of a man whose observations know that Mr. Bryan's conduct of the state department has seriously lessened its prestige.

PITTSBURGH, June 9.—The Gazette Times says, the resignation of Wm. Jennings Bryan as Secretary of State is a good omen. It is a great relief to the people of the United States and to President Wilson, it puts Mr. Bryan just where he belongs, he never was fitted for the place, he has not fitted it with dignity, ability or satisfaction.

BALTIMORE, June 9.—The American says, the country looks upon Mr. Bryan as a deserter, yet this is no time to engage in recriminations. Still statement will be strong against the Secretary of State who retired from the guns while the diplomatic issues are being fought out between Germany and the United States.

Have you friends you desire to visit in Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton, Prince Rupert, Vancouver, Seattle, Portland, Chicago, Minneapolis, Omaha, Salt Lake City, St. Louis, Denver, New Orleans, San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco or at any place between these points? If so arrange to go this summer and visit them at the expense of the publishers of The Ontario. Read full particulars in announcement on Page 4.

Fine Addresses Before Institute

At Queen Mary School last evening two prominent lady speakers with a province-wide reputation addressed a public gathering under the auspices of the West Belleville Institute. Mrs. F. W. Watts, Toronto, spoke on the subject, "Why is it?" while Miss Constance Boulton was heard on the subject of "The National Responsibility of Women."

June Sessions

The suit of Alford vs Gilbert occupied the attention of Judge and Jury until this afternoon. The jury retired to discuss the case at two o'clock this afternoon. The Grand Jury brought in a true bill in the theft charge against a youth named Donovan.

Mr. Elmer L. Luck, M.A., addressed a meeting at Campbellford last night on his experiences in Germany and will speak on Thursday evening in Belleville.

ALLIES RESUME OFFENSIVE AT DARDANELLES.

ATHENS, June 9.—The Allies have resumed the offensive at several points on the Gallipoli Peninsula says a despatch from Mitylene. The attack was begun in the morning by a general bombardment of the enemy's positions with the aid of the fleet. A fierce struggle all along the line followed and the fighting continues. A squadron is protecting the landing of fresh troops near Seddil Bahr while the rest of the fleet ceaselessly bombarded the inner forts.

PEACE PARTY GAINS HEADWAY AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

PARIS, June 9.—The Athens correspondent of the Havas Agency wires that the departure of German families from Constantinople is regarded as an indication that the Germans are concerned over the present position of the Turkish army. Teh despatch says the peace party in Turkey is gaining headway.

TURKS STATE THAT TRANSPORT WAS SUNK.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 9.—An official statement issued today at the Turkish War Office says of the Dardanelles front there was artillery fighting Tuesday. Fire broke out on an enemy transport struck by our shells. The vessel listed and soon sank, another transport hastily left its anchorage.

BRYAN'S RESIGNATION MEANS A FIRM POLICY.

LONDON, June 9.—London newspapers today interpret Secretary of State Bryan's resignation as an indication that President Wilson's rejoinder to Germany is so firmly phrased that war between the United States and Germany may result.

RUSSIANS RETIRING TOWARDS LEMBURG.

PETROGRAD, June 9.—The War Office admitted today that the Russians continue to retire along the Pzemysl-Lemberg railway, but expressed satisfaction with the situation around Lemberg. Reinforcements brought up by the Germans in the Shavli region forced the Russians to evacuate the village of Double by persistent attacks.

GERMANS AND ITALIANS NOW IN CONTACT.

BASEL, June 9.—German troops were encountered by the Italians for the first time in the fighting at Lavaronne according to information received here; the result of the encounter is unknown.

NEW LOCAL MANAGER OF A. M'KIM LIMITED

Mr. C. T. Pearce, Formerly General Manager of the Daily News, Takes Important Position With Good-Will of Every Canadian Newspaper Man.

Mr. Chas. T. Pearce, until a few weeks ago General Manager of The Toronto Daily News, and who at the time disposed of his holdings in the paper, is to be the new Toronto Manager of A. McKim Limited, Newspaper Advertising Agency, in which business he will be interested in future.



The enterprising firm with which he has become connected, A. McKim Limited, is the oldest and largest advertising agency in Canada, with offices in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and London, England, and enjoys a reputation which is certainly not second to any other in its line of business. Mr. Pearce will enter upon his new work with the best wishes of every Canadian newspaper man.

THIRTEEN APPLICATIONS FOR NATURALIZATION READ AT COURT

The June sessions of the County Court opened yesterday afternoon in the court house before His Honor Judge Deroche. As the jury civil docket had settled down to one case, the number of witnesses was not as large as usual, although the seating capacity of the court room was taxed to the full.

The Grand Jury selected Mr. Robert J. Garbutt as their foreman, New Naturalization Law.

Judge Deroche addressed the Grand Jury, mentioning the new law as to the naturalization of aliens. Up to a short time ago, a man to be naturalized had to be a resident of Canada for three years. Then he became a naturalized Canadian only. An important act has been passed in Canada requiring five years' residence in the Empire or four years in some part of the Empire and the last year in Canada.

Antonio Priezio, Naples, Italy, now of Belleville, laborer, eight years in Canada.

Marino Minicco, Venice, Italy, now of Belleville, laborer.

Giorgi Papi, Rome, Italy, now of Belleville, laborer.

Antonio Deignu, Sassari, Italy, now of Belleville.

Frank Panstello, Rome, Italy. Domenico Cruchetti, Rome, Italy, now of Belleville, laborer.

Giuseppe Veinatti, Rome, Italy. Salvatore Tava, Sassari, Italy. Jimmie Tomelli, Rome, Italy. Joseph Simonetta, Calabria, Italy. Nicola Mario Piccone, Cassaledda, Italy, laborer.

Syrian. The Syrian is Mr. Frank Malick the well known merchant of Point Anne. He has resided 14 years in Canada. He was formerly of Rashay, Syria. German.

William Fritzen, of Belleville, formerly of Duesseidort, on the Rhine, Germany.

At to the case of Mr. F. Malick, the judge said the question of naturalization should be reserved for consideration as Leyria is a part of Turkey. All the others are Italians. The Italian nation has always been friendly to Britain and now she is fighting with the allies. There is no reason why these men should not be granted citizenship at the rising of the court.

Re x vs Post on a charge of theft. The defendant re-elected to be tried by judge without jury after pleading not guilty. Trial was set for Saturday, June 12th, at 10 a.m. Eastwood vs Danford. The jury notice was struck out and trial set for June 30th at 10 a.m. The dispute is over a complication of accounts of buying and selling grain under a farmers' union.

Archer vs. Trenton Cooperaage. Jury notice struck out and trial set for June, 22nd 10 a.m. Domenico vs. G. T. R'y. Jury notice struck out and date fixed for June 26th, 10 a.m. Bradford vs. Cummins. Trial set for 15 June, 10 a.m. Esbach vs Burgoyne. Date set for Wednesday, June 16th.

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