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INTERFERENCE IN ARMENIA BY THE ALLIED NATIONS AGAIN COMES FORWARD AS ISSUE

Turkish Nation is in Real Danger; Continuance of Murders May Cause Allies to Act at Once.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The Armenian massacres were again the subject of discussion yesterday. The Government Leader, Andrew Bonar Law, in reply said that the protection of the Christian races in Turkey was one of the most vital subjects before the Peace Conference, and that steps to secure their safety were being considered. He reiterated the statement that Constantinople had been informed that the conference purposed leaving the Turks in that city, but that unless the massacres ceased the decisions of the conference would probably be modified to the detriment of Turkey.

Pressure on Ottomans.
Mr. Bonar Law was asked whether the Government thought that pressure on Constantinople was likely to develop in view of the massacres carried out by Mustafa Kemal Pasha, who was the leader of the Nationalists, and did not recognize the authority of Constantinople. The Government Leader replied that the pressure might not be so effective as was desired, but that it was hoped it would have some effect. He declared there was some conversation between the Nationalist movement and the Turkish Government, and that the action taken ought to have an effect on anybody who was concerned for the continuance of Turkish nationality.

Asked why the Sultan was threat-

ened with expulsion from his capital if massacres were perpetrated independent of the Central Government, Mr. Bonar Law said that it was not a question of expulsion. It was a question of Turkish nationality as a whole, he declared, and the allies hoped that this statement might influence the situation.

Is France Jealous?
The Manchester Guardian, commenting on the war criminals and Constantinople decisions, says: "Yesterday saw one great change, this time salutary reversals of policy with regard to the trial of Germans. It was made, if the Paris press is any guide, against the wishes of France. What was the price of the concessions? Again the French press is openly jubilant at the prospect of the Turks being left in possession. Are the two things connected? The only moral we would point is that of vigilance."

Urging the importance of guaranteeing the freedom of the Straits of Bosphorus from Turkish control and declaring it would be a folly and a crime to leave the Turks masters of either the mighty European interests or of any subject populations, the paper asks: "Does France really desire this? Is she so jealous of our superior maritime power that she will not willingly see it exercised even in combination with her own and Italy's in command of the Eastern waterways?"

Farnell Given Nine Months

Winnipeg Sentenced to Provincial Jail For Uttering Seditious Words - Leniency Recommended.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19.—John Farnell was sentenced yesterday afternoon by Mr. Justice Prendergast to serve a term of nine months in the Provincial Jail. The jury had previously turned in a verdict of guilty to the charges of uttering seditious words on June 20. Leniency had been recommended by the jury.

John Farnell was charged with seditious utterances in connection with a speech he made to strikers and their sympathizers in the Market Square during the general strike June 20. He advocated holding a "silent parade" despite the proclamation of the Mayor prohibiting parades for the following afternoon. It was during the formation of this parade on June 21 that a riot ensued in which two men were killed.

Preliminary Trial of Alleged Assailant of Ida Moore In Progress at Beamsville

The preliminary trial of Dennis Nation, accused of rape, was postponed today for one week. Ida Moore, the 16 year old victim of the outrage had not recovered sufficiently to give evidence.

An impression of the assailant's hand in the snow near where the offence was committed, it is alleged, points to the guilty party, as he has a missing thumb and finger on one hand and one of the other digits is cut off at the first joint. Nation is about thirty years old

MAIN LINE TO THE FALLS IS NOW OPEN FOR STREET CARS

The snow plows and men managed to dig out the main line drifts during the night and the cars are again running to Niagara Falls.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—A depression which developed along the United States Atlantic coast during the night is now centered south of Ontario, promising stormy conditions for the Maritime Provinces. The weather is cold in Ontario and Quebec, and it is turning colder in the Western Provinces, attended by light snowfalls.

Forecasts: Fair and cold. Friday, stationary or a little higher temperature. and several injured. Some of the statements attributed to Farnell were "No authorities, civic or otherwise, will prevent us from holding a parade," "Law and order has failed," "The tactics used in the arrest of the strike leaders are Russian tactics."

DUBLIN MAYOR INSTALLATION TO TAKE PLACE IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A Dublin despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that if the Lord Mayor-elect of Dublin, Tom T. Kelly, is unable to be present at the ceremony of his installation at Dublin next Monday, it is probable that the corporation officials, headed by the retiring Lord Mayor, will proceed to London and there confer the Mayorship on the former prisoner, who is now under conditional release.

Bituminous Coal Situation Again Serious

"The bituminous coal situation has reached such a critical stage that it is absolutely imperative that the utmost conservation of coal must be practised and industries and public utilities finding themselves running short of supplies should immediately secure all substitutes possible in order to prevent closing down," says H. A. Harrington, Fuel Commissioner for Ontario.

"The U. S. railways have never before been confronted with such obstacles as the present weather conditions have forced upon them. Continuous snows, storms and abnormal temperatures have played havoc with depreciated equipment, and the Pennsylvania railroad, the chief delivering line to Canada, has been obliged to place an embargo on all shipments of carload freight destined for Ontario or through the Buffalo gateway. "I took the matter up forcibly with Washington, but the only result has been a modification of the embargo, and which permits acceptance of bituminous coal for transportation to Ontario, only upon same being accompanied by permits issued by the Superintendent of Transportation of Philadelphia."

While the police have been trying for many weeks past to nab the individual by detailing plain clothes men to the supposed scene of his activities, an officer, in civilian dress, of course, has caused more consternation among the women of the vicinity than the "Hugger," it is learnt today from a resident.

William Taylor Of Smithville Kills Himself

Word comes from Smithville that Wm. Taylor, a respected farmer, who lived about a mile north of the Village, on what is known as Young street, was found dead Monday morning. He had committed suicide by hanging while temporarily insane, it is supposed. Deceased, who was about 40 years of age, had been suffering from influenza and had been confined to his bed for a few days. He was given medicine in accordance with the physician's orders, about 11 o'clock Sunday night. About 5 o'clock Monday morning a member of the family went into his room and found it vacant. A search was made immediately and the man was found cold in death in the poultry house.

The deceased leaves a widow and three children.

NOT MANY AMERICAN-MADE HATS CAN BE HAD IN ST. CATHARINES NOW BECAUSE THE MERCHANTS ARE BUYING THEIR HATS FROM THE ENGLISH MAKERS

In this city dealers are effectually registering their objection to the unjust exchange rate charged by the United States on Canadian money by not buying American goods. It is said it is practically impossible to get a man's American-made hat in St. Catharines today, unless it is one purchased some time ago. "We are buying all our hats from

TO DEFEND PERSIA AND MESOPOTAMIA

Great Britain Relies Upon Air Forces—Bases Established at Bagdad and Karachi.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Great Britain relies largely upon her air forces for the defense of Persia and Mesopotamia, according to official advices received here. Winston Churchill, British war minister, recently informed parliament that air bases have been established at Bagdad and Karachi, the latter a port on the Arabian sea and the terminus of an important railway.

Military experts here attach great importance to this announcement because it is an innovation in military strategy in two important particulars. It is the first time, authorities say, that air forces have been relied upon to so large a degree for defense. Also the impossibility of conducting operations in desert regions has been overcome by carrying on the operations in the air.

British authorities have feared that Bolshevik troops which have penetrated Turkestan, might enter Afghanistan and attack Persia from the flank. It is believed that the aerial forces have been organized partially to meet this threatened danger.

Want Cop to Carry Banner

Plain Clothes Officer Hunting Lockport's Jack-the-Hugger Scares Women Who Note His Suspicious Actions

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Feb. 19.—The efforts being made by the authorities to capture a so-called "Jack the Hugger," who has apparently been operating in the "Hill Section" or fashionable part of Lockport for three months past without falling into the clutches of the law, is not without its humorous side. While the police have been trying for many weeks past to nab the individual by detailing plain clothes men to the supposed scene of his activities, an officer, in civilian dress, of course, has caused more consternation among the women of the vicinity than the "Hugger," it is learnt today from a resident.

The sleuth in keeping watch at night on everyone passing along the street has himself hidden behind trees, verandahs, residences, and anything else convenient. Many women, unaware that an officer has been on duty, have seen him dodging back and forth, and as a result have concluded he is the "Hugger."

DANCER ENDS ENGAGEMENT TO MARRY TITLED GIRL

PARIS, Feb. 19.—Carl Randall, of Chicago, internationally famous as a dancer, has ended his engagement here to marry an English girl of a wealthy titled family, the Paris Midi stated yesterday.

BIG MARRIAGE BOOM NOW ON IN FRANCE.

PARIS, Feb. 19.—France has a marriage boom. Figures for 1920 so far break all records, doubling the number of the first two months of 1914.

ALLIED NOTE TO WASHINGTON IS COINED IN WORDS AND TERMS WHICH ARE CONCILIATORY

Arguments Are Submitted in Support of the Ultimatum Sent to Jugo-Slavia by the Allied Nations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The reply of the Allied Powers to President Wilson's latest note reached the State Department yesterday from John W. Davis, the American Ambassador at London, and was laid before the president as soon as its contents were decoded. President Wilson is now giving careful consideration to the answer he will submit to the Allied Powers, and it is understood there will not be any delay in the sending forward of his response to the argument presented on behalf of England, France and Italy.

Irritating to The Englishman

Crusade of Yankees to Make England Dry—Gilbert Chesterton Makes Remarks.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The New Witness, of which Gilbert K. Chesterton is editor, says:—"Yankee millionaires announce that they are ready to spend ten million pounds sterling to make England dry or rather those people in England who are not rich enough to obtain illicit drinks from stocks in secret cellars; but they refuse to pay out a farthing for the help of the starved children of Central Europe, through whose miseries America waxed fat. A great deal has been written as to the tightening of the bonds of brotherly love between the United States. The war, to a certain extent, did ameliorate some of the traditional hostility of the average American, but in its place there has grown up this pestiferous longing to interfere with our national customs and suppress our individual liberty. It is difficult to imagine anything more likely to cause permanent estrangement between the masses of people in this country and America than this crusade of Yankee Chubbands."

"If the American millionaires who have amassed colossal fortunes through the war want to save their consciences, let them devote their money to the starving children who are dying like flies for lack of food."

This City Ready For Meeting of C. of C.

The attention of the Campaign Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has been drawn to the fact that in September of this year, the 9th Congress of the Chamber of Commerce of the British Empire will be held in Toronto. This will find St. Catharines ready to take her place with such great world cities as London, Glasgow, Cape Town, Melbourne and Calcutta.

It will be one of the greatest factors in the inter-commonwealth development of trade and progress between the British peoples all over the world. Valuable publicity may be obtained for the Niagara Peninsula and St. Catharines when the necessary means of community welfare and progress can be perfected at the end of the present campaign.

It is anticipated that there will be something of interest to announce in connection with this at the Community get-together tonight at the Collegiate, when John B. Laughton of London and M. M. Maxwell, secretary of Chatham, will speak.

Committee of Women For the C. of C. Campaign

An enthusiastic union meeting of the ladies of the various organizations throughout the city was held in the Chamber of Commerce campaign headquarters. After a brief talk by Manager Bell, Mrs. Mulock, on the invitation of the meeting took the chair and the following committee was resolved upon to take active part in the membership campaign. Another meeting of this committee will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 3.30 p.m., and further discussions will be made.

URGE BRITISH WARSHIPS AS HOTELS FOR TOURISTS FROM THE UNITED STATES

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The latest plan to accommodate the expected invasion of hundreds of thousands of American tourists this spring and summer is to accommodate them on war vessels, there not being enough hotels in London to take care of the anticipated invasion. Capt. C. C. Walcott of the British Navy, suggested that such vessels could be chartered from the admiralty.

RUPEE ADVANCING ADDS TO THE COST OF TEA

A cable received yesterday states that the rupee has now advanced a value to 25.11 3/4. Before the war the rupee was worth 15s. 4d and, as money has to be changed into rupees to buy Ceylon and India products such as tea, this greatly enhances the cost to purchasers here.

A TRAVELLER WHO HAS JUST RETURNED FROM RUSSIA SAYS CONDITIONS THERE APPALLING

GENEVA, Feb. 19.—Charles Wigler, Swiss consul at Kiev, arrived here penniless yesterday with 16 compatriots by way of Odessa and Marseilles. Three hundred more Swiss are expected in the near future.

Wigler said that when the Bolsheviks entered Kiev in December they pillaged and then burned most of the shops. They arrested all the foreigners and robbed them of everything, even their clothes and shoes being taken. A number of foreigners were forced to work for the Red army or starve, especially as four hundred grammes of black bread cost 200 rubles, a pound of butter 500, a half pint of milk 100, an egg 40, a pair

anticipated that the British or French Governments, standing alone will interpose any objections to the publication of the correspondence along with the various joint proposals running back to the beginning of December. The only uncertainty is whether the Italian Government is ready to have all these communications and documents given to the world at this stage of the negotiations.

Should the Italian Government assent to the publication, along with the British and French Governments, this Government will make the correspondence public, but probably not until President Wilson has drafted his answer to the Allies, and been officially informed that his reply is in their hands. The allied reply is not a harsh and uncompromising document. It does not close the door against further negotiations, in which the American Government can continue to be consulted.

The tone of the Allied reply is not sharp. Its effect will probably be conciliatory.

It is stated from Osgoode Hall that the hearing of the protests filed against elections in Centre Simcoe, East Simcoe, Duffin and Grenville will not be heard till after the Legislature meets.

Mrs. Dr. M. J. Mulock (chairman), Mrs. A. J. Veale, Mrs. Jas. Brightly, Mrs. Chas. G. McGhi, Mrs. Carr-Harris, Mrs. J. A. Abbs, Mrs. W. Taylor, Mrs. H. Saxton, Mrs. C. Cameron, Mrs. W. A. Gardner, Mrs. J. Glench, Miss L. Thompson, Miss L. Newman, Miss Stevens, Mrs. Albon Butler, Mrs. J. H. Ratcliffe, Mrs. Byron Smith, Mrs. C. Bixby.

of shoes 6,000, and a chicken 450 rubles. Clothes and linen were not to be found. According to Wigler, the Bolsheviks acted like barbarians toward foreigners, shooting to death Madame Bevechi, a Swiss, because 10 years ago she subscribed 150 rubles to the Nationalist Club of Kiev. The banks of Kiev quoted a sovereign at 2,500 rubles, Wigler said, while dollars could not be obtained at any price. The English, French and a few Americans in the interior suffered severely under the Bolshevik regime, the consul asserted. The Reds maintained no pretence of order, murders and robberies being common.