

OREGON MAN THINKS KEMAL GOOD BLUFFER

Professor at University Tells of Turkish Ruler's Ability to Put Things Over.

(Special to The Observer)
UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 7.—Kemal, the Turkish dictator who is now parleying with the British following his success against the Greeks, is vigorous and able and possessed of unusual force of character. He plays his cards with the assurance of an expert in a poker game, resorting to "bluff" when necessary to win.

This, in brief, is the opinion of the Ottoman leader held by a number of Americans in the Near East as expressed to Donald Barnes, assistant professor of history at the University of Oregon. Professor Barnes spent part of February and March in Athens and Constantinople, and visited Smyrna for a day when the Greeks were gathered there after their defeat at Angora. He had a card of introduction to Kemal, but was unable to see the latter.

A Harvard graduate who was in Angora when the Greeks advanced to storm the town told me that Kemal outbluffed, as well as outguessed the Constantinople troops," said Professor Barnes. "This American, who served on a government commission because of his linguistic ability and knowledge of Near Eastern affairs, declared that Kemal was in dire straits because of insufficient supplies and inefficient troops. But Kemal, if he had any doubts of success, never let any one into his confidence. On the day of the principal engagement he asserted that never was Turkish morale better or victory so certain."

When Professor Barnes, who toured Europe as holder of the Bayard Cutting travelling fellowship in history at Harvard, reached Smyrna late in February the Greeks were guarding the city closely and foreigners found difficulty entering the town. At the time the impression prevailed, Professor Barnes says, that the Greeks were reconciled to the loss of the hinterland of Smyrna and that the war was over, men simply being held under arms until a peace settlement could be arranged.

"I was told by an American who held a position in a Constantinople college that chaos reigned throughout the Turkish empire," continued the Oregon faculty man. "The impression prevailed further that the Turks were seeking to gain American sympathy, making a vigorous effort to offset the impression created by their treatment of the Armenians."

A polyglot city swarming with Russian refugees, allied officials, Asiatics, Constantinople was the center of political activity in the Near East. American business men there, according to Professor Barnes' impression, hoped for continued occupation of Constantinople by the British officials.

"Thousands of Russian refugees crowded the city," said Professor Barnes. "Hundreds were keeping body and soul together by working as longshoremen or lightermen. Some of the refugees had opened a chain of restaurants in Constantinople. In one of them a former Russian general acted as head waiter. The waitresses were cultured Russian women. The restaurant served as a gathering place for the exiles. Waitresses fraternized with their patrons."

The Greeks could not explain adequately the reasons that had impelled them to oust Venizelos and vote for the return of Constantine. Professor Barnes said that the campaign to overthrow Venizelos was a secret campaign paid for, many believed, by the money of the former Mrs. Leeds, who inherited the millions of the "tin plate king." The slogan to defeat Venizelos was "Let us Have Peace."

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When Constantinople began his campaign against the Turks, Greek voters lost confidence in their leaders and came to regard politics "as a bad mess."

While abroad Professor Barnes studied in the London school of economics, the Sorbonne, and King's college, Cambridge.

KYLE HAS PLAN FOR SETTLERS

Outlines Definite Program to Solve Problem of Settling Lands in Oregon.

ONTARIO, Oct. 9.—Preliminary work has started on definite plans for the solution of the colonization problems of the irrigation districts of Oregon. Following a definite program outlined by Jas. F. Kyle and the other men who have investigated the methods of California, Wisconsin and other successful regions, steps have been taken which will produce the desired results.

The first steps were taken over in the Ochoco where in cooperation with Watson P. Davidson, president of the Oregon-Western Colonization company, all the lands of the district have been appraised and the owners have agreed to take a fixed price for their holdings. With this price agreed upon and

deemed fair by the board efforts will be made in sections of the east and middle west to induce settlers to move to that district.

With the same degree of cooperation the work has started in the Warm Springs district where a board of appraisers was appointed and is now at work. This board consists of M. G. Hope, D. E. Carman, R. H. DeArmond and H. A. Bachelder of Vale, and E. F. Reider of Ontario, who represents the Oregon-Western Colonization company.

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ORCHARDS HIT BY WIND STORM

From Ontario to Burns Damage is Said to Have Been Very Heavy.

ONTARIO, Oct. 9.—From Burnt to Ontario the Malheur and adjoining valleys on Tuesday evening suffered from one of the worst windstorms of the year, orchardists in some sections suffered heavy losses due to fallen apples which the wind whipped from the trees, while in some cases even the heavily laden branches were torn off.

In the city some loss was caused by broken awning and smashed plate glass, while many of the finest shade trees in residential sections were blown down or had limbs severed from the tree trunks. One or two telephone and light poles were knocked over and electric signs suffered mutilations of various kinds.

Out on the Boulevard the big poplars near Cairo were uprooted. Reports which have reached Ontario tell of the roof being blown from the Porter-Sitz store at Drivesey and hurled upon the pool hall across the street, doing much damage. Unlike most of the periodical dust storms of this season of the year, the wind blew for an hour or more and caused a general housecleaning over this region Wednesday.

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