

AMERICA IS ASKED TO SAVE ARMENIANS

Half Million Christians Slaughtered or Deported by Turks, Says Viscount Bryce.

WOMEN TAKEN TO HAREMS

Population Being Exterminated Deleteriously, Is Charge—Request to Germany to Check Its Ally Is Suggested.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—Viscount Bryce, Great Britain's ex-Ambassador to the United States, has sent to the Associated Press a plea that America try to stop the slaughter of Armenians.

"The civilized world," he says, "is his plea, especially America, ought to know what horrors have been passing in Asiatic Turkey during the last few months, for, if anything can stop the destroying hand of the Turkish government, it will be an expression of the opinion of neutral nations, chiefly the judgment of humane America."

"Soon after the war broke out between Turkey and the allies," continues the Viscount, "the Turkish government formed, and since has been carrying out with relentless cruelty, a plan for extirpating Christianity by killing off Christians of the Armenian race."

Women Forced into harems. "Accounts from different sources agree that over the whole of Eastern and Northern Asia Minor and Armenia the Christian population is being exterminated, the men of military age being killed and the younger women seized for Turkish harems, compelled to become Mohammedans and kept with children, in virtual slavery."

"In Trebizond City, where the Armenians number more than 100,000, orders came from Constantinople to seize all Armenians. Troops robbed them, drove them to the shore, took them to sea, threw them overboard and drowned them—all men, women and children. This was seen and described by the Italian Consul."

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AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO TURKEY AND UNFORTUNATES HE PLANS TO AID.



LOAN NOT BLOCKED

Munitions Provision Unlikely to Get in Way.

STABILITY CHIEF WISH

Anglo-French Commission Belief Is That Other Means of Payment for War Supplies Can Be Found if Necessary.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Munitions of war will not be allowed to block the proposed big credit loan to Great Britain and France; nor will the \$600,000,000 and \$800,000,000 to be obtained be locked up at once in a New York treasury chest, according to a consensus of opinion today of those in close touch with negotiations for raising the money.

Exports of munitions, it was estimated, constitute considerably less than 25 per cent of the total value of American shipments to Great Britain and France. Leaving them out of the calculations, if provision be made for the shipment of soil products and the chief manufactured articles, exchange will, in the opinion of bankers, become stabilized. It would not be difficult for them to find a method of paying for munitions, if it were necessary to adopt a different method, it is believed. Gold or American securities or both, or even some other method of payment could be arranged.

Views Are in Accord. On this point the Anglo-French Commission was said tonight to be substantially in accord with the views of their American associates. The commission is reported to have taken the view that their first task was to stabilize exchange, and that the matter of paying for munitions, which was said recently to have become a question of consistency, should be left to be subordinated to this.

Money to Stay in Vault. Another suggestion said to have been embodied in the proposals, was that the money each bank would guarantee toward the loan should remain in the bank guaranteeing until occasion should arise for its use. Then, it was said, each of the big syndicates of underwriting banks would be called upon for its proportional amount, using the ration of the sum desired to the whole sum as the basis of the assessment. For instance, should one bank subscribe for \$1,000,000 of the bonds, the full amount would be left in its vaults, it was thought, simply being transferred to the books of the syndicate.

Bonds May Be Issued at 97 1/2. Many American bankers were of the opinion that the one-half of 1 per cent allowed them for their services would be sufficient. The loan should run five years, it was thought, the banks would obtain the bonds at 97 1/2 or 2 1/2 per cent below par.

Another proposed feature, it was reported, that the short-term bonds, whether five or ten years, had included the privilege of conversion to long term British and French government bonds paying 4 1/2 per cent interest at the end of the short-term period. By that time, it was thought, the war would have passed into history and the long-term bonds, being a first mortgage on the credit of Britain and France, would have a life of 50 or 100 years, would be regarded as a prime investment and would fetch more than par.

PLOT CHARGE DENIED

Archibald Says He Carried Notes Innocently.

LETTERS NEVER SECRET

Message by Prince Hatzfeldt Said to Have Been Dictated to Be Used Only in Event of Anti-American Rising.



Top—Armenian Widows and Children. Below—Henry Morgenthau.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—James F. J. Archibald, the American correspondent who carried a message from Dr. Constantin Dumba, Austro-Hungarian Ambassador at Washington, addressed to Baron von Burian, Austrian Foreign Minister, which led to a request from the United States for the Ambassador's recall, issued a statement here tonight in which he denied that he had conspired in any way to break the neutrality laws of the United States, or was an official dispatch bearer.

Archibald First Sees Attorney. On his return here today aboard the steamship Rotterdam, Archibald declined to discuss the affair until he had consulted his lawyer and had acquainted himself, as he explained, "with what had been said in this country." Having conferred with his attorney, Archibald issued a formal statement.

Dr. Dumba's letter, said Archibald, "was given to me most openly at the steamship Rotterdam, just before sailing. Hundreds of persons were about and there was not the slightest suggestion of secrecy. Of its contents I had absolutely no knowledge. I supposed of course that it simply referred to my work. I feel that the very open manner in which the letter was given me shows that Dr. Dumba had no intention of using me or my passport as a shield for the transmission of any improper message."

Parcels Taken for Friends. "I did not conscientiously break either the spirit of the letter of my passport, or of any law, but merely did what every traveler crossing the ocean does, carry notes or small packages as an accommodation to friends, and just as I did when I returned from Germany last year when I carried several letters and official dispatches to our State Department for Ambassador Gerard and packages for Mrs. Gerard."

Of course, in doing this for Ambassador and Mrs. Gerard, I did it simply as a matter of friendship; precisely, as I carried the letters in this case. Archibald said that before leaving almost word for word the letter Prince Hatzfeldt wrote, which he intended to use only in the event we were subjected to any local hostile disposition, were delivered to him at his hotel in New York.

Hatzfeldt Letter Dictated. "Feeling there might be a strong anti-American sentiment in Germany," Archibald declared, "and not knowing to what extent that might inconvenience those traveling with me, I asked Prince Hatzfeldt to prepare an open letter stating that I was friendly to their cause."

MINERS GREET JOHN D., JR.

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BALKAN MIDDLE GROWS

BULGARIA REPORTED MOBILIZING MACEDONIANS.

Indignation Felt in Entente Ranks, as Negotiations to Determine Ownership Are Under Way.

PARIS, Sept. 20.—Dispatches from Sofia, Bulgaria, announcing the mobilization there of troops made up of recruits of Macedonia has caused another complication to be introduced in the Balkan situation, which already was tense through the presentation by the entente allies of the joint note requiring Bulgaria to define her attitude.

NOTE FORGERIES CHARGED. Widow Declares Late Judge Cook "Was in Dire Need of Money."

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 20.—Charges of forgery were made today against the late Carroll Cook, formerly judge of the Superior Court, by his widow, Mrs. Bertha Grim Cook, in an amended answer to suit to collect three notes for \$500 each by the Union Securities Corporation. Efforts were made to exclude the amended answer from the court records.

Bank Messenger Robbed of \$2000. NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Vincent J. Maloney, a messenger of the Chatham & Thrift National Bank, was held up in a Harlem street today by two men and robbed of a satchel containing \$2000 in cash and a number of checks. Maloney was seriously injured. The thieves escaped.

GRAIN OF WORLD GAINS. BIG CROPS IN ALL AGRICULTURAL NATIONS FORECAST.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Big cereal crops this year in nearly all of the world's chief agricultural countries are forecast in cable reports received at the Department of Agriculture today from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome.

Advertisement for Roberts Bros. Laces, located at Third & Morrison. The ad highlights their store hours and phone number, and promotes their laces as being of high quality and value.

Advertisement for Dainty and Exquisite New Laces. The ad features various lace products including white allover shadow laces, wide nets, and silk nets, with prices and quality descriptions.

Desertion After 20 Years Charged. ALBANY, Or., Sept. 20.—(Special.)—Alleging that his wife has deserted him after almost 20 years of married life, Samuel Harris, of Waterloo, filed suit here today for a divorce from May E. Harris. There are three children.

Advertisement for Turkish Trophies Cigarettes, featuring an image of the cigarette pack and describing it as America's greatest cigarette.

Advertisement for Poslam Heals Scaling Skin and Stops All Itch, including an image of the Poslam product.

Advertisement for Bell-Ans Cigarettes, claiming to absolutely remove indigestion and improve digestion.

Advertisement for United Cigar Stores, featuring a cartoon character and promoting their cigars as a high-quality product.

Large advertisement for Palma de Cuba cigars, featuring a cartoon character and a detailed testimonial from a long-time smoker.