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## DEFENSE PROGRAM DIVIDES DEMOCRATS

Bryan Opposition to Preparedness May Necessitate Republican Support.

Washington.—The administration has already begun to count noses in congress on the national defense issue, it was learned here. Reiteration by former Secretary of State Bryan of his open opposition emphasized the necessity of a "lineup."

From a high official the administration came that the administration is not resigned to seeking and expects republican votes to insure passage of preparedness legislation. A republican hold on the "balance of power" in congress as affects the life or death of the defense legislation is deemed not outside the possibilities.

The cause of the break, which may have vital influence on the future of the democratic party, was President Wilson's preparedness program, which was described generally by the president in his Manhattan Club speech in New York.

President Wilson proclaimed the necessity of an increase for the regular army, the creation of a better national guard and the organization of a citizen army of 400,000 men.

Mr. Bryan denounces the administration's policy as a departure from our traditions, a reversal of our national policy; a menace to our peace and safety and a challenge to the spirit of Christianity which teaches us to influence others by example rather than by exciting fear.

## BRITISH BLOCKADE HELD INEFFECTIVE

Washington.—The United States in its latest note to Great Britain made public here covering exhaustively the British interference with American trade since the beginning of the European war, declares that the so-called blockade instituted by the allies against enemy countries on March 11, is "ineffective, illegal and indefensible."

Notice is served that the American government "cannot submit to the curtailment of its neutral right and it cannot with complacency suffer further subordination of its rights and interests."

Ambassador Page to whom the note was sent by special messenger for delivery to the London foreign office, was instructed by Secretary Lansing, "to impress most earnestly" upon the British government that the United States "must insist that the relations between it and His Majesty's government be governed, not by a policy of expediency, but by those established rules of international conduct to which Great Britain in the past has held the United States to account when the latter nation was a belligerent engaged in a struggle for national existence."

## HINDU INVASION IS FEARED

John L. McNab Says Court Has Lowered Bars to Orientals.

San Francisco.—That a recent decision of the United States supreme court, in which it was decided that a band of Russians could not be kept out of the country because there was not work for them in the place for which they were bound, would open the doors to a Hindu invasion of California and the United States, was the opinion expressed by John L. McNab, ex-United States district attorney here.

According to Mr. McNab, federal judges of this district will have to accept in their future rulings the principle laid down by the supreme court in the case of the Russians.

Member of State Experiment Station Gets Plant 30 Inches Tall.

Hood River.—Probably the first cotton ever to be grown to maturity in Oregon has been raised this year on the J. F. McLean place by LeRoy Childs, a member of the staff of the local branch of the Oregon state experiment station. While the cotton was not planted until in June, it is now 30 inches tall and the branches are loaded with bolls two inches in length. The bolls, filled with fiber, probably will burst open when touched by the first heavy frost.

"In a year with normal weather," says Mr. Childs, "I do not think the cotton plants would have thrived so well. The long continued dry, warm weather of autumn has allowed it to attain its growth."

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## BARREL APPLE PEOPLE LIKE AUCTION PLAN

The barrel apple growers of New York who have been patronizing the auction sales that have been held by one of the auction companies under the auspices of the State Department of markets are enthusiastic over the results of sales made thus far.

John J. Dillon, commissioner of the Department of Markets, who has put through his auction plan against the united opposition of the large established jobbing houses was much pleased with the boost that the open market gave to the prices of barrel apples. Fifty to sixty-five cents a barrel was put into the pockets of each grower by the rise in prices during the first three days of the auction sales at Red Hook and Gardiner, New York.

The large firms of jobbers have been staying away from the sales, but it is predicted that they will soon be among the buyers at the public sales as they cannot afford to have their rivals get supplies that they need.

In his letter to the growers of New York State asking for steady supplies to the auction, Commissioner Dillon said: "The consumption of New York State apples is restricted in the early winter by high retail prices. This causes a sluggish market and keeps the wholesale prices low. In the meantime dealers get out and buy at low quotations from producers. Prices begin to stiffen as soon as the bulk of the fruit is out of the hands of producers."

"To overcome these conditions you need an open market from one end of the season to the other to establish a price. There will be protests and attempts at manipulations for a short time, but ultimately all apples in the New York market will be sold at auction and you will get more money for them."

## NORTHWEST APPLES TO SELL AT AUCTION IN ENGLAND

Since the record he made in England last winter, when he sold over \$500,000 worth of Northwest apples at auction, H. Moomaw has become much sought after by the shipping organizations. He has now left for England to make plans for the coming season.

Mr. H. F. Davidson and other shippers were much pleased with the prices received at auction in England last fall and approve of the system of selling as it is used in Liverpool and London. In large population centers the auction, when systematically used, gives a wider and quicker distribution at a lower cost than other methods, according to Horace W. Day, of New York; F. E. Fletcher of Boston; D. B. Miller of Cleveland, and many other authorities.

## KANSAS CITY AUCTION GOING FULL BLAST

The Kansas City Fruit Auction Company which was broken up for a while because certain jobbers felt that it interfered with their business is now going full blast again.

Kansas City is the smallest city where fruit auction system is operated successfully. There is an immense territory tributary to Kansas City.

The merchants in Kansas City supply the trade in less than carload shipments in the territory covered by Western Missouri, Northwestern Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Eastern and Southern Nebraska, and Southern Iowa. The freight rates are very favorable to Kansas City.

## Timber Deal is Reported.

Prineville.—The development of the lumber industry in central Oregon is expected to cause an immense increase in the business and population in Prineville. Reliable information confirms the rumor that the Roger Youmans Lumber company has practically completed its trade with the United States government, by which the lumber company will exchange a large amount of scattered lands and get a solid block of about 40,000 acres of valuable timber in what is known as the Ochoco forest reserve. The company will have in the neighborhood of 300,000,000 feet, which will have to be milled within 20 years and will necessitate immediate construction of a sawmill and railroad.

## NISH TAKEN AFTER THREE DAYS' FIGHT

Invaders Now Hold More Than Half of Country and Most of Railroad System.

Berlin.—The Bulgarians have captured Nish, second city of Serbia and its temporary capital for a time after the evacuation of Belgrade. There was a three days' battle, according to the official announcement issued here, in which the invaders were confronted with desperate opposition at various points outside the town. The report says that 350 Serbians were taken prisoners and that two cannon fell into the hands of the Bulgarians. It is presumed that the prisoners mentioned were a rearguard left to defend the last position and that the Serbians succeeded, as they have done in the past, in removing most of their military supplies.

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville.—Capture by the Germans of the main Serbian positions south of Kraljevo, was announced by German army headquarters.

In the capture of Krusevac by the Germans, 7000 Serbians were made prisoners.

Fifty cannon, including 10 heavy pieces, also were taken at Krusevac. South of this city the advance of the Germans is continuing, and Gyuris heights, on the left bank of the Morava, have been stormed.

The Bulgarian army of General Boyadjeff has reached the Morava at a point northwest of Aleksinac, about 20 miles northwest of Nish. Advancing to the west and southwest of Nish, the Bulgarians have occupied Leskovac, on the main railroad, about 25 miles below Nish.

## KITCHENER GOES TO EASTERN WAR ZONE

London.—Lord Kitchener, at the request of his colleagues, has left England for a short visit to the eastern theater of war.

The announcement that Lord Kitchener is to visit the east did not come as a surprise. It was generally believed when it became known he was about to undertake a mission that the Balkans would be his destination.

It is thought that his activities will not be confined to this theater of the war, however, but that he will visit Egypt to inspect the defenses of the Suez canal against a possible German or Turkish attack.

Besides this, it is understood that his duties will include efforts to coordinate the work of the general staffs of the allied armies.

## ALLIES DEFEAT BULGARIANS

Serbian Invaders are Retreating on Two Fronts, Say Reports.

London.—The Bulgarian army descending into Old Serbia to invade Macedonia by way of Veles and Perlepe was defeated at Izvor, at the entrance of the Babuna pass, after a battle lasting several days, according to announcement made by the Serbian legation at Athens and transmitted to Reuters' Telegram company.

French Infantry and British cavalry took part in the struggle and gave efficient aid to the Serbians. The British horsemen arrived from Krivolak to assist their allies.

## FORM NEW GREEK CABINET

Three Governors Consider Dry Laws.

Portland.—Three governors will meet on the same platform to consider cooperative joint action in enforcing dry laws, when Governor James Withycombe welcomes Governors Ernest Lister of Washington and Moses Alexander of Idaho at the opening session of the state convention of the Anti-Saloon league of Oregon in the White temple November 16.

This is the first time in America that such a thing has happened. The convention runs through all of the next day and closes with a mass meeting on the national prohibition amendment in the armory Wednesday night, November 17, addressed by Richmond Pearson Hobson, congressman from Alabama, and father of the pending national dry amendment.

For the first time in history, an order to a naval commander was transmitted by wireless telephone, when sitting at his desk, Secretary of the Navy Daniels "called up" Rear Admiral Usher, commander of the Brooklyn navy yard.

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S. P. Williamson, national chief of construction in all reclamation projects, is in Klamath Falls and announces that work on the Klamath project, which was stopped June 1, will resume at once. This work is for the drainage of a large area east and south of the city.

Containing that the supreme court erred in a recent decision upholding an ordinance of the city of Portland imposing a 3 per cent tax on the gross receipts of the Portland Gas & Coke company, the attorneys for the company have filed a petition for a rehearing of the case.

As a result of a court decree following a suit to foreclose a mortgage for \$1,250,000 the entire properties of the Wendling-Johnson Lumber company in Douglas and Lane counties, have been purchased by the bondholders of the Michigan Trust company at a consideration of \$1,050,000. The sale involves a large tract of fir timber near the mouth of the Siuslaw river and a large mill at Acme.

Attorney General Brown has addressed a letter to all district attorneys of Oregon calling their attention to the advisability of making an estimate for the information of the county courts of the amounts that will be necessary next year in obtaining or attempting to obtain evidence or expenses otherwise incurred in prosecuting violations of the statewide law prohibiting the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquor.

The United Fruit Auction Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, sells \$1,000,000 worth of fruit annually. Local concerns in Cincinnati do no business practically during the auction sales.

Cincinnati supplies a territory of five to six hundred miles with a population of about 6,000,000 people.

## Nova Scotia Sells High.

The "United Fruit Companies of Nova Scotia, Limited" sold 400,000 barrels of apples at auction in England during last season. The average price at the Liverpool auction was \$3 a barrel. The prices received for barrel apples in this country averaged under \$2.

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