

WILSON STRONGLY UPHELD; BRYAN BLAMED BY PRESS THROUGHOUT THE NATION

Newspapers Generally Congratulate the President on Bryan's Action in Quitting the Cabinet—Discuss the Former Secretary's Future Course in Politics.

The press of the country generally stands with the President and expresses satisfaction over Bryan's resignation from the office of Secretary of State.

Cleveland Leader (Rep.)—Mr. Bryan has been out of place in the office he has quit. He has steadily lost the confidence, admiration and support of the people. His retirement will be good for the President, good for his Administration and good for the country.

Philadelphia Public Ledger (Ind. Rep.)—It would be at once unkind and superfluous to dwell upon his (Bryan's) failure in his high office. No one but himself is to blame for it. He cannot say that the President has not supported him loyally, as, indeed, he himself has supported the President. He has kept his followers in line for the Administration, often, no doubt, when the temptation to let them revolt was hard to resist. Whether his resignation means a complete break with the Administration, whether he proposes to rally those who agree with his views regarding the issue with Germany to open a fight for public approval, remains to be seen. If Mr. Bryan is well advised, he will hesitate long before he commits himself to such a course. On that issue the nation as a whole will support the President to the very end, whatever it may be.

Philadelphia Inquirer (Rep.)—It is just possible that the departure of Mr. Bryan from the Cabinet is not altogether due to a disagreement over the note to the German Government, for it has been entirely apparent from the very beginning that the Secretary of State has been little more than a rubber stamp in the hands of Mr. Wilson. Mr. Bryan has proved to be a sad failure as Secretary of State. But it is fair to say that perhaps any one else would have been, for it is the President's idea that the President of the United States should be his own Secretary of State. It is well that in this German controversy it has been President Wilson and not Secretary Bryan who has determined the position to be taken by the United States.

Philadelphia Press (Rep.)—Through the polite phrases of Mr. Bryan's letter of resignation and the President's letter accepting it the public learns without any ambiguity that the reply contains a more vigorous assertion of American rights than Mr. Bryan cared to subscribe to. In view of this fact there will be a very general consensus of opinion that nothing in Mr. Bryan's career is more becoming than his resignation from this most important and responsible office.

It is impossible to pass sound judgment upon Mr. Bryan's work as Secretary of State because we are too close to it, but we fear history will not accord him a place with the successful men who have been his predecessors.

As to his future, bear in mind he is a resourceful American, but let us hope he will exercise his great talents for Evangelicalism rather than attempting to administer the affairs of a great office.

Philadelphia Record (Ind.)—Mr. Bryan has been tried by the touchstone of loyalty in a great crisis and found wanting. The time for his retirement in obedience to the dictates of his pacific conscience was before he permitted the attachment of his name to the great document of which the forthcoming note is to be a reiteration, or after the momentous international issue had been decided. It is an unfortunate for him as it is for the prospects of a clear understanding with Germany that he has lingered superfluous upon the stage until his disloyal exit might be most injurious to the plans of the Administration.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Times (Rep.)—President Wilson has the opportunity, if he is alive to it as national aspects are distinguished from purely party considerations, to take the edge off the whole exasperating business by inviting into his Cabinet a Republican of standing and capacity. That would reduce the Bryan incident in the United States, as far as the war situation is concerned, to a nullity.

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Chicago Herald (Rep.)—Probably for the first time in his public career William Jennings Bryan will find the people of America practically unanimous in favor of something he has put forward—his resignation from the Cabinet.

Worcester Telegram (Rep.)—Uncle Sam gracefully accepts congratulations. Col. Bryan has resigned from the Cabinet. The Democratic foe about Washington is a little thinner with the Nebraska Colonel eliminated. The act of resigning was one of his best. The move has not caught anything so good for a long time. Mexico will applaud before long, and that will make it unanimous.

Key West Citizen (Rep.)—Mr. Bryan as Secretary of State has failed miserably to measure up to the standard of statesmanship traditional to that high office. Thus far, it is currently believed, in all the bigger affairs of the Administration he has been a drag and a hindrance to the President rather than a help, and it may not be too much to say that President Wilson is to be congratulated that the opportunity for securing a really able adviser was not longer delayed.

Richmond Times-Dispatch (Ind. Dem.)—It is Wilson, not Bryan, who strikes the note to-day to which the hearts of the American people respond and with which they beat in general sympathy. The nation is listening, and there are no dissenting voices. He is drawn in the great surge of national approval.

Buffalo Express (Ind. Rep.)—The Wilson Administration is to be congratulated. The people of the United States are to be congratulated. Perhaps it may be justly added that Mr. Bryan's resignation is to be congratulated.

Buffalo Courier (Dem.)—The resignation of Secretary Bryan will no doubt be regarded and be treated as a more or less sensational event. For this reason it is regrettable that it should take place at a critical stage of our relations with Germany and with Mexico.

At this time the wise, patriotic course to pursue is to stand by the national spokesman.

Boston Globe (Ind.)—Mr. Bryan's move will doubtless do much to impress upon the German Foreign Office the seriousness of the situation. In that

Modern Training Unfits Woman for Share In Life's Burdens, Says Columbia Expert



Starts With Equal Vitality With Brother, but From Birth Her Physical Development Is Hampered by Dress, Pastimes and Conventions, and She Is Rapidly Left Behind.

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

"The fact that women could not fight is not the serious thing America is facing to-day. It is that women are not physically fit for the everyday battle of life. It isn't that they can't bear arms, but that they can't bear children, or even brooms. Civilized women are biologically less fit than men for the fundamental responsibility of life. We do not need women warriors or college girl athletes as much as we do a rank and file of womanhood that possesses ordinary physical health."

It is a grave charge which Dr. Thomas D. Wood, professor of physical education at Columbia University, brings against the physical education of the modern woman. Yet Dr. Wood should know whereof he speaks. Besides his Columbia post, he is college physician at Teachers' College, and for a period of twenty-four years he has been observing and comparing the relative health and vigor of men and women in various educational institutions. He is also Chairman of the Committee on Health Problems of the National Council of Education and of the Commission on the Health and Welfare of Teachers.

Every doctor knows that the high-strung modern woman suffers infinitely more in giving birth to children than did or does the woman of more primitive communities. Here is one undeniable proof of the physical weakness of the woman of to-day. Would the sanitarians and rest-cures be filled with nerve-wrecked females if their physical development had

kept pace with their mental and social advancement? And the woman who works, however strong her own physique, cannot but realize that one of the worst handicaps under which most of her friends labor is imperfect health.

I believe the girls of this generation are stronger than their mothers, but I also believe there's plenty of room for improvement. It was at once the reason and the remedy for what Dr. Wood characterizes as "woman's physical unfitness for the everyday battle of life" that I sought from him.

"Nature has injured woman," he said, "and civilization has added insult to injury. Woman is handicapped to a degree by the very laws of her being, but this handicap has been enormously increased by the training she has undergone from babyhood, the clothes she has been compelled to wear, the sort of work she has been obliged to do. I believe that woman can be made as physically fit for her racial, social and industrial functions as men are for theirs, but I believe it will take generations."

NATURE PLACED FIRST HANDICAP UPON WOMAN.

"The trouble began when human creatures began to stand upright," further explained Dr. Wood. "The change of position meant that instead of carrying the vital organs in a horizontal position, as all creatures had done heretofore, these organs must be carried in an upright, a vertical position. And, because of her physical construction, this change bore more heavily upon females than upon males."

"Some of the feminists are inclined to attribute to man all woman's handicaps. But you see that the first of these was imposed by Nature. The first man wasn't to blame."

"But merely the first monkey who took the notion to walk on his hind legs," I interrupted, and Dr. Wood smiled.

"Since then, however," he went on, "advancing civilization has done much to increase and accentuate the biological weakness of woman. I believe that boy babies and girl babies are even now born with the same amount of vitality, the same potentialities of health and vigor."

"I have been told that girl babies have more vitality than boys," I mentioned, "that more of the latter die."

"No," denied Dr. Wood. "More little boys die of some diseases, more little girls of others. It is true that the average length of life of the adult woman is longer than that of the adult man; a result at least partly due to man's participation in wars and his increased liability to industrial hazard. But we're talking about quality now, not quantity; and there is no question that woman is biologically less fit than man when we compare such sex's performance of its special functions."

GROWING GIRL DENIED THINGS THAT MAKE FOR HEALTH.

"From earliest childhood the girl is denied the opportunities of healthful physical development which are open to the boy. He plays outdoors; she sits in the house and makes doll's dresses. As she grows up the clothes prescribed for her by the opinion of civilized communities are prejudicial to her health. Corsets, tight, high-heeled shoes, narrow, heavy skirts are unhealthy. The fact that corsets make some women more comfortable simply indicates that these women have some sort of physical weakness which should be corrected by proper treatment. Finally, or generation women have been confined either to sedentary occupations or to those requiring long periods of standing. On the contrary, the work of men, until the present era of specialized occupations, has been of an active nature calling into play all the muscles."

Then Dr. Wood made one perfectly fair-minded concession to feminine fitness.

"I admit," he said, "that women have partially offset their physical drawbacks by refusing to imitate men's excesses. There are fewer women who injure their health by drink, drugs or the social vices."

"Nevertheless, one of the factors in the physical degeneration of the modern woman is that a certain number of women are adopting men's vices. In theory I believe in absolutely equal rights for men and women; I believe that whatever a man does a woman has a right to do. But after that I believe in moderation. The habit of life hereabouts I cannot escape the conclusion that drug-taking, immoderate drinking and the abuse of sex instinctly injure women more quickly and surely than these evils break men."



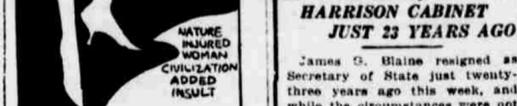
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HOW BLAINE QUIT HARRISON CABINET JUST 23 YEARS AGO

James G. Blaine resigned as Secretary of State just twenty-three years ago this week, and while the circumstances were not similar to those attending the resignation of Secretary Bryan, the effect on the country was almost as sensational.

Secretary Blaine resigned in the midst of an internal political turmoil of which he and President Benjamin Harrison were the central figures, and the resignation helped eliminate the Republican party from control of national affairs for a Presidential term.

President Harrison accused Mr. Blaine of entering the race for the Republican nomination for President after having promised to support the President and his Administration. It was reported there was a violent quarrel, but after the interview the two appeared on the front porch of the White House chatting and laughing. They shook hands and Mr. Blaine walked over to his residence and wrote out his resignation.

MRS. MOSKOWITZ'S CASE FAILS, SAYS MR. BELL

Brings No Charges Against Any Strictly Broadway Pleasure Resorts and No Proofs Anywhere.

License Commissioner George H. Bell declared to-day that Mrs. Henry Moskowitz, member of the Committee of Fourteen, which began a newspaper crusade against Broadway pleasure resorts after the appearance in court of Eugenia Kelly, had failed to make good.

"The first concrete complaint from Mrs. Moskowitz reached me late yesterday afternoon in the form of four letters," he said. "These letters refer to dance halls, not one of which is in Broadway or to which I am strictly referred to the Broadway district. One refers to a dance hall where Mrs. Moskowitz says drinks are served by means of dumb-waiter service. The place has no dumb-waiter. Another place referred to is in West Fifty-ninth Street. We have been unable to get sufficient evidence."

"Another letter refers to a dance hall in West Twenty-third Street, frequented, it is alleged, by disorderly women. Mrs. Moskowitz does not claim to have personal proof of the truth of this assertion. In fact, Mrs. Moskowitz does not offer any personal proof at all."

"Women are in industry to stay, and instead of advocating their withdrawal for the sake of their physical health, I believe that their health must be safeguarded by scientific regulation of the industries in which they engage. For example, I want to see a law providing that every woman employee, be she school teacher or shop girl, shall be given time and facilities at her place of employment for one hour of competition should be avoided, as it's too hard on the nerves. I frankly a heretic on the subject of routine gymnastic drill for women."

"I believe," ended Dr. Wood seriously, "that the heaviest responsibility for our future progress rests on the shoulders of women. That is why I want those shoulders made strong."

LONDON SEES SIGN OF FIRM NOTE IN BRYAN'S QUITTING

Newspapers Think Reply to Berlin Will Be Stronger Than Last Message.

LONDON, June 8.—London newspapers to-day interpreted 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.

"In previous notes to Germany America has spoken firmly and plainly, though not in an unfriendly manner," said the Evening Star. "These notes had Bryan's approval, so the Secretary of State's present action indicates that the latest note about to be despatched to Berlin is of entirely different tone. Bryan himself doesn't conceal the opinion that it may lead to war."

The Pall Mall Gazette characterizes the resignation of Secretary Bryan as a political event of unmistakable importance. Continuing the newspaper says:

"It does not appear that any of Mr. Bryan's colleagues share the scruples which induced him to give up office, and we assume that his secession will not impart any delay to the developments of the attitude of America toward Germany."

"It is obvious that if American influence is to have any effect upon Germany's methods of warfare the United States must convince Berlin that the preservation of peace, however cherished, is not the supreme and overruling consideration."

"There are other things which must lie near the heart of America's representatives if they are to hold the respect of foreign nations and of their own. There is the protection of American citizens in the rights of travel while are conferred upon them by the rules of war, and there is in certain eventualities the part which may devolve upon America in the defense of that civilization which she shares with the rest of humanity."

"We may take it that the President, whose devotion to honorable peace no one can doubt, has felt it necessary to show in his second note that there are certain sacrifices which he cannot make for the sake of friendly relations with Berlin. He has allowed it to be seen that, such as the American people are to hostilities, they will not be floated interminably by Prussian high-handedness or appeased by the very amateurish sophistries purveyed to them by the diplomatists of Emperor William."

"The position of President Wilson will not in any way be weakened by the loss of one who has been his chief official supporter. In accepting Mr. Bryan's resignation and persisting in the course which has brought it about the President has given the last blow to the legend that he was himself lacking in decisive qualities or in the nerve demanded by a real crisis."

"In taking his stand upon the platform of 'strict accountability' at the cost of a rupture in his most intimate circle he has given conclusive proof that his attitude is not one of hesitating moderation of strength and not timidity. He will find himself more firmly planted in the regard of the American people to-day than at any period since his accession to office."

The Evening Standard says: "Mr. Bryan's resignation appears to fore-shadow a more decided American policy—not necessarily intervention or war. It was some vision of this, no doubt, which led Germany to despatch an official emissary to talk unofficially of peace in the United States. He can be disavowed more easily than Count Von Bernstorff when the occasion arises. England will not permit Germany to gain anything by tempting to bully or cajole neutrals as to their policy."

"The policy of the United States is a matter for the Government and the people of the United States to settle themselves. Political feeling will run high in Germany during the next few days, but the issue is not enough, although German agents will certainly attempt to confuse the public mind."

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