

### WEATHER.

Fair tonight and tomorrow; cooler tonight; fresh westerly winds. Temperature for the past twenty-four hours: Highest, 83, at 3 p.m. yesterday; lowest, 68, at 9 a.m. today. For full report see page 16.

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## BRYAN TO CONFER WITH PRESIDENT

### Will Be First Meeting Since Former Premier Quit Cabinet.

### U. S. DEFENSE MAY BE ONE THING DISCUSSED

### Commoner Also Probably Will Tell Executive of Coming Peace Mission to Europe.

A conference is to be held tomorrow between President Wilson and W. J. Bryan, former Secretary of State. This will be the first meeting since Mr. Bryan resigned from the cabinet because of disagreement over the policies of the White House in the controversy with Germany.

Widespread speculation has been indulged in since Mr. Bryan retired from official life as to how far his antagonism to policies of the administration would go and whether this antagonism would array the Nebraska against the nomination of Mr. Wilson next year. That Mr. Bryan left official life to be free to act as he pleased is generally accepted as the real reason of his retirement and not so much his particular differences regarding the issues with Germany.

The rather generally accepted view that Mr. Bryan will be on the Wilson side of the Wilson administration next year has received little corroboration in anything Mr. Bryan has said and done in the last few months except his announcement that he does not favor the agitation for national preparedness for possible war.

### Position Logical One.

This position of Mr. Bryan, however, was the logical one in view of his general attitude on war and friendly international relations, and is not believed to represent a deliberate and purposeful antagonism to the plans of the administration. There is little doubt that Mr. Bryan will be a strong supporter of the President's national defense program if it contemplates any material increase. Some of the closest observers have professed to believe that before Congress meets, the President would outline his plans to Mr. Bryan and that Mr. Bryan would, in a nature as to command the support of the noted pacifist, and thus put the strength of the democratic party behind them.

### Requested Conference.

Mr. Bryan requested the conference at the White House yesterday. It is understood that he does not intend to do more than pay his respects to his former chief. The discussion of differences of opinion would accomplish little, it is believed, although Mr. Bryan may, his friends thought today, urge the President not to sweep out his feet by the cry for more fighting forces for the government and preparation to meet imaginary foes.

Mr. Bryan probably will tell the President that he is not in favor of the war, where, if he goes, he hopes to induce Germany and Austria to agree to arbitration treaties with the United States and to the principle of peace.

### Would Stir No Jealousies.

Mr. Bryan, in Europe, would have no official status, but he would be listened to abroad, and there are possibilities of his becoming a prominent figure in the preliminary and final negotiations for peace abroad. His trip would excite no official jealousies in Washington, it is said, and if he can do anything for peace, single-handed, he will be given credit throughout the world. It is the opinion, though, that the final adjustment of peace in Europe will be through official channels, and that President Wilson, representing the United States, will probably be the central figure rather than an individual having back of him a following that is merely a moral force.

### Bryans to Lease Home.

Mrs. Bryan is remaining in Washington to show possible housekeepers over the "calumet place," in which Mr. and Mrs. Bryan have lived while in Washington, and on which the former Secretary has a lease that runs until 1917.

### NEWMAN ERB MAY RECOVER.

Condition of Railroad Man Is Considered Satisfactory.

NEW YORK, September 21.—The condition of Newman Erb, wealthy railroad man, who swallowed two poison tablets by mistake a week ago, was today reported as satisfactory. If no symptoms of the poison develop within the next few hours Mr. Erb's physicians will consider him entirely out of danger.

Mr. Erb's two married daughters, who have been constantly with their father at his Deal (N.J.) summer home, were the last week today told friends that they are confident the financier will soon be entirely recovered.

## ATTACK ON SERBIA BEGUN BY TEUTONS

### Austro-German Advance May Bring Balkan Situation to a Head.

### BULGARIA STILL WAVERS, BUT HER ARMY IS READY

### Entente Powers Angered by Orders From Sofia Calling Macedonians to Colors.

BERLIN, September 21, by wireless to Sayville.—"It is reported from the Balkans," says the Overseas News Agency, "that the Serbian government has declared the Serbo-Bulgarian frontier district a war zone." It is reported also that Bulgarian troops are concentrated near the Serbian frontier, and that German and Austro-Hungarian troops have been concentrated since a certain date along the Serbian border.

### Teutons Begin Advance.

BERLIN, September 21, via London, 11:05 a.m.—Official reports from Austrian and German headquarters and dispatches from the Balkan capitals show that the long-expected Teuton campaign against Serbia has now begun. Austrian and German artillery today is bombarding Serbian positions south of the river frontier at various points along the hundred-mile front between the mouths of the Drina and Morava rivers.

### May Take Crusaders' Route.

This action undoubtedly is intended as a cover to the throwing of a force across the river and the seizure of a bridgehead whence the new "steam roller" can be started. Just where a crossing will be attempted is unknown. The shortest route to Bulgaria would lead through the northeastern corner of Serbia, where barely thirty miles of Serbian territory intervenes between the Bulgarian and Hungarian borders. The difficult mountainous country, the absence of railroads and the proximity of the Rumanian frontier, however, speak in favor of the old route of the crusaders, farther to the west, through the broad and fertile Morava valley.

### Railway Line to Turkey.

Through this valley run roads and a railway line to Bulgaria and Turkey. This railway reaches the Danube at two points—Belgrade and Semendria—both of which are under bombardment today.

### Mobilizing the Macedonians.

PARIS, September 21.—Dispatches from Sofia, Bulgaria, announcing the mobilization there of troops made of residents of Macedonia have 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 toward Macedonia. The mobilization of Macedonians has caused surprise and indignation in official and diplomatic circles here, as it is declared that the whole purpose of the present negotiation between the allies and Bulgaria and Serbia is to determine whether Macedonia belongs to Bulgaria or Serbia. That Bulgaria should mobilize Macedonians while the future of Macedonia was still at issue is declared in the highest Serbo-Greek circles to be a gross violation of the spirit of the negotiations that is taking part. One of the negotiators outlined the situation as follows:

### Serbia Yielded to Allies.

"Bulgaria demanded from Serbia the recession of Macedonia as an essential condition to Bulgaria's joining the other Balkan states and co-operating with the entente allies. The latter took up Bulgaria's claims and presented them to Serbia in joint notes. Serbia, after mature consideration, yielded to the desires of the allies and conceded virtually nine-tenths of the territory in Macedonia demanded by Bulgaria. The only portion of Macedonia not conceded was a small section which was considered essential to Serbia's military defenses, but these concessions of Macedonian territory were made in return for Bulgaria's joining the entente allies in addition to that of last week last week reciting Serbia's concessions of nine-tenths of the disputed Macedonia to the allies in effect asking Bulgaria what she is effecting doing as a result of the concessions.

### Assumes Mastery of Macedonia.

Now, however, the diplomatic outline continues, before giving an answer Bulgaria assumes that she is master of Macedonia and begins the mobilization of Macedonian residents that is, she assumes control of Macedonia before stating what she is willing to do for the allies in return for such control. This, the diplomatic authority pointed out, gives the situation a new phase, which may call for another note from the allies in addition to that of last week, asking an explanation of the Macedonian mobilization at the moment when the allies are negotiating

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## BRAZIL SENDS REPLY ON MEXICAN AFFAIRS

### Telegraphs President Wilson Its Felicitations Over Co-Operation With U. S.

### PAN-AMERICAN POLICY SUBJECT OF COMPLIMENT

### Message Expresses Gratification Over the Appreciation of Senhor Cardoso's Diplomatic Services.

President Gomez of Brazil has telegraphed President Wilson an expression of gratification that Brazil and the United States have found it possible to act together in Mexican affairs "under the guidance of pan-American policy in perfect harmony."

The message, which was made public today at the State Department, was in reply to President Wilson's recent expression of appreciation for services rendered to the United States and American citizens in Mexico by Senhor Cardoso, the Brazilian minister there, following the recent visit of Senhor Cardoso to Washington. The message is as follows:

"The Brazilian people and their government experienced great pleasure at knowing through the telegram your excellency sent them that the Brazilian minister, Senhor Cardoso de Oliveira, discharged his duties to the satisfaction of the American people, and of your excellency's government, the duties that demand of him when he had the honor to represent also the American interests in Mexico. I am happy to see that again, as has been the occasion in the past, Brazil and the United States, under the guidance of pan-American policy of respect and special friendship to the nations of this continent, could act in this case in perfect harmony of views on their disinterested purpose of continental pacification.

### Villa Circles Are Stirred.

The Mexican situation, so far as Washington is concerned, remained today just where it was yesterday, with the exception of reports from the border to the War Department of movements of Villa forces to the north, characterized as "retreating" movements, but not necessarily regarded as "retreats" in Washington, where it is known that Villa is reforming his troops.

### To Combat Carranza Recognition.

Likewise, other Villa adherents in Mexico and on the border are on their way to Washington to combat any possibility of Carranza being recognized. Gen. Felipe Angeles, one of the right-hand men of Villa, and Diaz Lombardo, Villa's secretary of state, so called, are expected to see called to the United States by Carranza, and that recognition may also be granted today, considered many jurisdictional cases. A request from the Workingmen's Center of Havana for assistance from the American Federation of Labor in bettering working conditions in Cuba was referred to Mr. Gompers to render every assistance possible.

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### REPORTS A SUBMARINE IS SUNK IN BLACK SEA

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### To Turkey by Sea.

The size and type of this boat and the interruption of land communication between Germany and Turkey made it appear that the under-water flotilla had been sent from Germany to Turkey by sea.

### FOR THE COPPER IN HER HULL.

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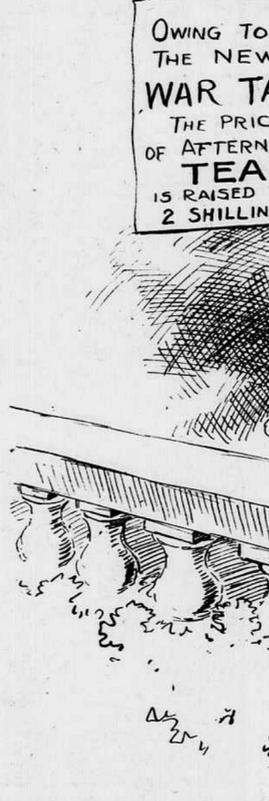
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## OWING TO THE NEW WAR TAX THE PRICE OF AFTERNOON TEA IS RAISED TO 2 SHILLINGS



THE HORROR OF WAR.

## MUNICIPAL PICNIC DATES DECIDED

### Testimonial to Bands to Be at Brightwood Reservoir October 16.

### HUGE CROWD EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE EVENT

### Testimonial Fund Will Be Given to Musicians—Loving Cups for Leaders.

The committee also decided to address a communication to each citizens' association, inviting the members of these bodies to attend the festival and their co-operation in making it a success.

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## HOLLAND'S QUEEN GLAD NATION IS NOT AT WAR

### Wilhelmina Says Government Is Determined to Pursue Course of Neutrality.

### THE HAGUE, September 21, via London.—Queen Wilhelmina's speech from the throne today, in closing the session of the states general, had for its keynote an expression of deep gratitude that the Netherlands had been spared the horrors of a war the end of which was not even yet to be seen.

### Bands to Be Rewarded.

It was proposed by Charles J. Columbus, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, that a fund be collected and pro-rated among the members of the three government bands, Engineer, 5th Cavalry and Marine, who are to be the honor guests of the occasion. In addition a silver loving cup will be presented to the leader of each band. This plan carried. It was decided to ask the newspapers of Washington to receive contributions to the fund, while donations may be sent direct to C. J. Gockeler, treasurer.

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## RUSSIANS MAY HAVE ESCAPED THE TRAP PLANNED AT VILNA

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