

BRYAN OUT; FEARS WAR

Washington, June 8.—William Jennings Bryan, three times democratic candidate for the presidency, and author of nearly 30 peace treaties with the principal nations of the world, resigned today as secretary of state as a dramatic sequel to his disagreement with President Wilson over the government's policy toward Germany. His resignation was accepted by the president. The cabinet then approved the response prepared to Germany's reply to the Lusitania note. Acting Secretary Lansing will send the document tomorrow to be cabled to Berlin. Bryan will return to private life tomorrow when his resignation takes effect. It is learned he intends to continue his political support of the president. Rather than sign the document which he believed might possibly draw the United States into war, Secretary Bryan submitted his resignation.

President Regrets Parting

The president has accepted the resignation of Mr. Bryan in a letter of regret, tinged with a deep personal feeling of affection. The effect of the resignation is interpreted variously in official diplomatic quarters, on the delicate situation arisen between Germany and the United States. The resignation of the staunchest advocate of peace in the president's official family has spread broadcast the belief that the policy of the United States as definitely determined upon would assert and defend the rights of the United States in any eventuality that might arise. Originally it was the intention of the president and Secretary Bryan to have the announcement made simultaneously with the dispatch of the note to Germany, but when Secretary Bryan failed to attend the cabinet meeting today until the president sent for him rumors that the president was unable to persuade Bryan filled the air.

Friction of Long Standing

That there has been friction between the president and Secretary Bryan has been an undercurrent comment for several weeks, but as the president heretofore has always been able to secure the acquiescence of Bryan in his point of view, the talk of resignation was discounted. It was revealed today the position of Bryan in the cabinet has recently become embarrassing, his advocacy of peace being so pronounced that other members of the cabinet who felt the United States should assert itself, irrespective of the consequences, are understood to have on one occasion declared their intention of resigning if a policy of firmness and vigor was not adopted. The real disagreement dates back to the famous session of the cabinet when the note of May 13, following the sinking of the Lusitania, was drafted, informing Germany the United States would not omit "any word or act" to protect its rights.

Bryan Counsels Mediation

Then Mr. Bryan made a speech counseling peaceful measures and cautious action. He consented to sign the note only after it was tentatively arranged that the statement at the White House should be issued and transmitted to Germany, announcing that inasmuch as Germany has accepted the principle of the peace treaties negotiated between the United States and other countries, the difference between the two nations might be adjusted by a commission of investigation. Opposition to this course was most vehement in some cabinet quarters; but the president, after considering Bryan's suggestion, finally disapproved it at the hour the note was sent. The cabinet officers argued such an appendix to the note would be construed abroad as a weakening of the American position, and their counsel prevailed.

Dramatically the official relation of Bryan with the administration of the man whose nomination he assisted so materially in bringing about at the Baltimore convention of 1912, came to an end. It caused a sensation in the national capital, scarcely paralleled in recent years. Ambassadors, ministers and diplomatists from foreign lands and officials of every rank and station heard the news as it was flashed by newspaper extras tonight.

Just when the subject was first broached between the president and Bryan is not known definitely, but the fact Bryan would resign was known to a small circle of officials as early as Sunday. When the principles on which the note to Germany should be based were discussed at the cabinet meeting of Friday, Bryan found that he could not reconcile his own position with that of the administration. Work on the note went forward, however, Bryan keeping his secret as did the other officials, awaiting the hour when the communication would be ready to be cabled.

Late to Cabinet Meeting

Today the cabinet assembled for a final reading of the note. Bryan was absent. He declined to receive newspaper men or callers, and sent out word that he had been delayed an account of important business. At the White House no word as to the reasons for his failure to appear at the meeting were given, but after the cabinet had been discussing the note for an hour, Bryan arrived, telling the newspaper men at the White House he regretted being late.

It was learned tonight that with the knowledge that his resignation had already been accepted by the president, Bryan felt it would be indelicate to attend today's session, unless his presence was desired by the president.

When President Wilson telephoned an invitation, the secretary hurried to the White House, his face somewhat drawn and pale. When the cabinet adjourned, shortly after 1 o'clock, Bryan entertained seven of his colleagues, all who could attend, at a luncheon at the University club. The luncheon was in the nature of a farewell.

The official relations of Bryan with the president and the other cabinet officers have been somewhat strained, although the closest personal friendship has been maintained. The officials of the administration were unanimous tonight in their expressions of personal regret. Secretary Tumulty issued a statement to that effect, and the president reflected the same sentiment in his letter. Admiration and praise for the courageous manner in which Bryan had fought for and held to his convictions were expressed by officials on every side, including those who had been most vigorous in their opposition to his policies. The strong personal attachment of the president and Bryan has long been noticeable in their every-day conferences. Even today, as they met in the cabinet room their greeting was of affection and regard.

Twice Offered to Resign.

It became known only tonight that twice before in the two years and three months of his term Bryan offered to resign so as to save the president from embarrassment, and each time the president refused to accept his resignation. Throughout the constant newspaper bombardment of Bryan for his views on peace, his advocacy of prohibition, his speeches on the chautauqua platform, the president has stood by the secretary, resenting criticism of him.

In domestic affairs the two men who were at the helm of the democratic party in its first ascendancy into power in 16 years co-operated most harmoniously. Often Bryan yielded some of his own views, as on the currency bill, and used his influence to assist the president's program in congress. It was not surprising, therefore, to officials and friends of the president and of Bryan to learn tonight that the latter continued undaunted in his support of the president politically, although he could not remain in the cabinet and give his official help on a matter of principle which affected his entire philosophy of life.

The Letter of Resignation

"My dear Mr. President: It is with sincere regret I have reached the conclusion I should return to you the commission of secretary of state with which you honored me at the beginning of your administration.

"Obedient to your sense of duty, and actuated by the highest motives, you have prepared for transmission to Germany a note in which I cannot join without violating what I deem to be my obligation to my country, but the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest to my heart, namely, the prevention of war.

"I therefore respectfully tender my resignation effective when the note is sent, unless you prefer an earlier hour. Alike desirous of reaching a peaceful solution of the problem arising from the use of submarines against merchantmen, we find ourselves differing irreconcilably as to the methods which should be employed.

"It falls to your lot to speak officially for the nation; I consider it to be none the less my duty to endeavor as a private citizen to promote the end which you have in view by means which you do not feel at liberty to use.

"In severing the intimate and pleasant relations which have existed between us during the past two years, permit me to acknowledge the profound satisfaction which it has given me to be associated with you in the important work which has come before the state department, and to thank you for the courtesies extended.

"With the heartiest good wishes for your personal welfare, and for the success of your administration, I am, my dear Mr. President,

Very truly yours,
"W. J. BRYAN."

President's Letter of Acceptance
"My dear Mr. Bryan:

"I accept your resignation only because you insist upon its acceptance; and I accept it with much more than deep regret, with a feeling of personal sorrow. Our two years' association has been very delightful to me; our judgments accorded in practically every matter of official duty, of public policy until now; your support of the work and purposes of the administration has been generous and loyal beyond praise; your devotion to the duties of your great office and your eagerness to take advantage of every great opportunity for services it offered has been an example to the rest of us; you have earned our affectionate admiration and friendship. Even now we are not separated in the object we seek, but only in the method by which we seek it.

"It is for these reasons, my feelings about your retirement from the secretaryship of state goes much deeper than regret. I sincerely deplore it. Our objects are the same, we ought to pursue them together. I yield to your desire only because I must and wish you god-speed in parting. We shall continue our work for the same causes, even when we do not work in the same way.

"With affectionate regard,
Sincerely yours,
"WOODROW WILSON."

LAY CORNERSTONE OF CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

Noltimier township is building a fine new township consolidated school. It will be a four-room building, with full size gymnasium, auditorium, domestic science and manual training rooms. Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock the corner stone was laid, and about 200 were present to witness the occasion.

Louis Noltimier, the first settler of Noltimier township, was the chairman of the meeting. Mr. Noltimier came and settled there in 1879. Rev. Bublitz gave the opening prayer and scripture reading and addresses were given by Mr. Noltimier, County Superintendent of Schools Miss Minnie J. Nielson and Rev. Bublitz. Following this a box containing the history of the township, the family histories of the old residents, the daily papers and other matters pertaining to the school and district of historical value, were placed in the stone by Louis Noltimier assisted by Fred Schulz.

It was indeed a most interesting occasion, and the township is surely an enterprising one. They feel that the most valuable crop is the boys and girls, and they believe in giving them a chance. The school will maintain a four-year high school course. Chas. G. Carlson, who is a graduate of the state agricultural college at Fargo, is to be the new principal, having been elected for the opening of the new school. Mr. Carlson comes most highly recommended, and his work in debates, oratorical contests and the drama, has won him distinction at the A. C. He is the author of the class play, "Bridging the Chasm," which will be presented by the senior class in Fargo next week. Mr. Carlson has also had four years' experience in teaching. He is also an efficient landscape gardener, and has drawn plans for the 40-acre park which has been laid out for the school grounds.

The school house is located on a commanding site, in the centre of the township, 12 miles from Valley City, situated in the open country. The people of Noltimier township are to be highly congratulated for their enterprise.

SANBORN HAPPENINGS.

Sanborn Enterprise: The local school closes Friday, June 11.

Kenneth Elliott is the latest victim of measles.

W. S. Willson was a passenger to Jamestown Monday.

Conductor Lawrence has the branch passenger run this week.

D. M. Shannon was a passenger to Hope last Thursday.

Mrs. McDonald of Valley City was the guest of her friend, Mrs. Pius Stroh Monday.

Mrs. McGann, of Bismarck, tarried with Mr. and Mrs. Lief over night Monday.

Ge. L. Isensee, of Courtenay, formerly of this place, was a business visitor here yesterday.

J. L. Houghtaling enjoyed a fishing trip to the Minnesota lakes, returning Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunkelberger and Walter returned from Valley City Monday on No. 7.

N. J. Olsen is putting in 100 acres of potatoes and 100 acres of corn on one of his farms near town.

Last Thursday was the thirty-seventh anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Diss, who were married in Canada. They have been in Dakota 34 years.

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EXCEPTIONALLY good values will be offered throughout the entire store for Saturday and the coming week. Not one department will be overlooked, as we have gone through our stock and wherever there was a possibility of reducing prices we did not hesitate to do so; and those who want their dollars to go the farthest it is to their advantage to come to our store.

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Good quality Work Shirts at **43c**

Men's \$1 Dress Shirts at **69c**

Men's Armor-plate Hose, 2 pair **25c**

Men's Finest Silk Lisle Hose, pr **25c**

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recently taken to the hospital in Valley City suffering from appendicitis. Ralph Potter experienced a very painful accident while pulling stone on the farm Tuesday. His leg was caught in some way and was badly bruised and lacerated, though no bones were broken. He is out on crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Berry and little son and Mr. and Mrs. W. Carver and little daughter, all of Page, motored down and spent Sunday with Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Smith. Little Wilda Berry returned home after spending a week with her grand-parents.

The Barnes County Democratic Central committee met in Valley City yesterday, Dr. A. A. J. Lang being the member from Sanborn. One bone of contention was settled when the Litchville postoffice fight was taken up and the committee decided by a vote of 12 to 11 to endorse J. B. Christianson for the postmastership as against John M. Olson.

Col. George B. Vallandigham of Valley City, was a Sanborn visitor Tuesday and paid the Enterprise a fraternal call. Our old friend has been enjoying a few months' visit west and south and is enjoying the best of health. He is looking better than at any time since we have known him, which is more than a third of a century.

Little five-year-old Douglas, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McFarland, of Sand Point, Idaho, fell from a buggy

Tuesday at the farm home of E. A. Marsh, in the Clark City neighborhood and broke his right fore arm. Mrs. M. J. Farland and children were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Marsh when the accident happened. Dr. Lang of Sanborn was called, and the little fellow is getting along as well as could be expected.

At the annual meeting of stockholders of the Bank of Sanborn held last Tuesday, June 1, P. S. Hanna was

elected director in place of G. L. Isensee, now of Courtenay. There was a full attendance and the annual report for the fiscal year showed a large gain in both volume of business and profits; deposits having increased 45 per cent over a year ago. Those present were J. J. Earley, Walter Coop, Joe Diemert, Leo Noecker, H. C. Stephan, Frank Heimes, Fred E. Stephan and P. S. Hanna.

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