

SIMONDS DISLIKES PLANS FOR THRACE

Says Terms of Settlement Fore-shadow Another "Evil Compromise"

"SACRIFICES GREEKS TO THE BULGARIANS"

Says American Policy Is Based On Assumption That To Deal Generously With an Enemy Will Make Him a Friend; This a Mistake, Particularly, in Dealing With Bulgaria

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New York, Aug. 27.—The announcement from Paris that the Thracian dispute is approaching settlement and the terms which are also foreshadowed indicate that we are to have one more of those evil compromises, of which there have been so many in the past months. As usual this is the result of an effort to satisfy a portion of the claims of two contestants, for both of whom the acquisition of a part will prove too an incentive for further effort to get all.

The territory involved in the present dispute is practically all that was left of European Turkey after the Balkan Wars, save that area reserved for an internationalized Constantinople, provided such a state shall presently be created. Roughly speaking it may be described as the shores of the Black and Aegean interposing between Bulgaria and the two seas.

Historically this territory was Greek in the Classical times, that is to say it was a field of Hellenic colonization and culture. It was long held by the Byzantine Empire and only fell to the Turk in the fourteenth century. Thereafter it preserved its Greek character, it was partially colonized by Turks, but Adrianople and the surrounding country still have a larger Greek than Bulgarian population.

In the first Balkan War it was overrun by Bulgarian armies which fought their victorious battle of Lule Burgas between Adrianople and the Chatalja Lines immediately covering Constantinople. In the first treaty which was made at London, and designed to settle the Balkan disputes Bulgaria acquired Adrianople and all Thracian down to the famous Enos-Midia line, extending from the Aegean to the Black Seas, at these two points. In addition Bulgaria acquired all of western Thrace, including Kavala, as far as the Struma River, Greece acquiesced in this settlement despite the fact that most of the population, so far as it was not Turk, was Hellenic.

Bulgaria Attacks Treacherously
But Bulgaria was not satisfied and in June, 1913 she attacked both her Greek and Serb allies treacherously with the purpose of taking both Salonica and Macedonia, that is, the portion of Macedonia assigned to Serbia. She was unsuccessful in this wholly Prussian proceeding and as a result was forced by the Treaty of Bucharest to give up Kavala to the Greeks, while the Turks retook Adrianople.

Now it is essential to recall this circumstance because the argument today raised, mainly by American representatives, that the Bulgars must have part of Thrace, is based on the assumption that if this is not assigned to them, there will be another Balkan war. Yet when Bulgaria had with the consent of the Serbs and the Greeks and the forced assent of the Turks, not merely the territory now in question, but much more, when she had the two Aegean ports of Dedegatch and Kavala, only the former of which is now under debate, she nevertheless precipitated a Balkan War.

Further than this, when at Bucharest, despite her unprovoked attack upon Greece, she was still permitted to retain Dedegatch, she again attacked Serbia and invaded Greece, this time favored by the treachery of certain Greek garrisons. Again she was defeated, but not until she had once more been guilty of innumerable atrocities which were aimed at exterminating the Greek population in Thrace.

It will be seen, therefore, that there

is absolutely no foundation to the argument that to give Bulgaria Dedegatch and a strip of territory permitting direct access to the Aegean will preclude another Balkan War. When she had Dedegatch and Kavala into the bargain she attacked her neighbors, when she was still permitted to hold Dedegatch, she made a second attack. What Bulgaria seeks is all of Macedonia and Salonica, it was to acquire these that she has fought three wars, with Turkey in 1912 with Greece and Serbia in 1913, and finally as a German ally in the recent World War.

It is now proposed to give Greece much of the contested territory, but to cut Greek territory in half by a neutral strip descending the west bank of the Maritza to Dedegatch. This is to be placed under the control of the League of Nations. But this simply means that if the League of Nations does not garrison the strip, if American, British and French troops are not sent there, or if after a time the several Great Powers weary of this thankless task, then the strip will be the immediate cause of a new war between Greece and Bulgaria.

This compromise is justified by the argument that Bulgaria must have an outlet upon the sea, but she has two admirable ports upon the Black Sea; with Constantinople internationalized, all the old difficulties due to Turkish policy disappear. Moreover Dedegatch is only an open roadstead, incapable, given Bulgarian finances, of improvement.

The trouble with American policy here, as elsewhere, is that it is based upon the assumption that to deal generously with an enemy will make him a friend, no matter who that enemy may be or what his purposes. But in the case of Bulgaria we have had three perfect illustrations within five or six years of the folly of such an assumption. Three times he has been allowed to hold country, much larger in area than is now offered as a sop and three times he has attacked his neighbors, still his allies in the first case, with absolute treachery.

As a result of our championship of the Bulgarians we have forced the Greeks to submit to Italian blackmail and agree to recognize Italian claims to regions in Asia Minor in which there is not an Italian and to which the Greek claim is incontestable, if the Turk is to be deprived of his sovereignty. At this price the Italians have changed front and agreed to support Greek claims in Thrace, but still American opposition continues and seems to be about to lead to a compromise, which can have no other consequence than to foment Balkan rivalries and precipitate new Balkan Wars.

Why American policy at Paris is resolved to sacrifice the Greeks to the Bulgarians and the Rumanians to the Hungarians passes all comprehension, since both races have been guilty of more offenses against the principle of American representatives are championing, than the very Germans themselves and have been the enemies of our allies in a recent war. The proposed compromise, is then an evil thing in itself, doubly evil, because it injures a friendly nation to placate a people, which will never be satisfied, as every one who knows the Near East will agree, until it has reconquered Salonica and Monastir, as well as Adrianople and Kavala. Giving a wolf a crust of bread to make a lamb of him, is enlightened policy, by comparison with feeding a few Greeks in Thrace to the Bulgarian in the hope of making him a consenting

subscriber to the principles of the League of Nations.

PLANS FOR EXPANSION OF HOSPITAL COMPLETED

Winston-Salem, Aug. 28.—Plans for the expansion of the hospital facilities of this city, made possible by the \$240,000 bequest in will of the late R. J. Reynolds supplemented by a contribution from Mrs. Reynolds of \$50,000, have been received here and the contract for construction will be let soon. The execution of these plans will enable the city hospital here, it is said, to take a leading place among such institutions in the South. The new additions will probably be completed early next year.

Winston-Salem will next Monday officially observe its first Labor Day, the board of aldermen of the city having declared it a legal holiday in a resolution passed at its last meeting. The labor organizations here are co-operating in a big celebration program.

Mrs. A. F. Young, city and county food administrator, has selected a committee to aid her and held conference with the committee yesterday to perfect plans to stop profiteering where found.

Orders Carload of Provisions.
Asheville, Aug. 28.—Mayor Gallatin Roberts, after several days spent in fruitless efforts to secure sugar for the city of Asheville in hopes of relieving the sweet shortage here, has ordered one solid carload of canned goods which will be placed on the market in the hopes of lowering somewhat the high price of such commodities. The canned goods, including a good amount of cut loaf sugar and many other edibles which are very high here, are expected to arrive from Atlanta, from which place they will be shipped, some time next week and will be placed on the local market for immediate distribution.

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In this lot are plain and figured Voiles, white and colored plain Organdies and all White Lace trimmed nets that sold at \$9.75, \$11.95, \$13.50, \$16.50 and \$17.50. Misses' and women's sizes.

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\$5.00

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About 20 White Wash Skirts at 75c

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\$1.50

For choice of a table of Georgette, Crepe de Chine, Wash Silk and Voile Waists that sold from \$2.50 to \$3.95.

A Wonder Sale of Summer RUGS

On the Third Floor

- \$1.19 for Grass Rugs; beautiful stenciled designs, browns and greens, that were \$1.65.
- \$2.19 for Grass Rugs, stenciled designs designs, browns, blues and greens, that were \$2.75 and \$3.00.
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- \$35.00 for Klearfax Linen Rugs, size 9x12, solid colors, that sold at \$48.00.

REMNANTS

Of Silks, Linens and Wash Goods

Your special attention is called to the large and very attractive collection of these fabrics in the various departments on the first floor. The saving is in some instances fully a half.

A Wonder Value In Organdie Flouncings

Ruffled Organdie Flouncings, 40 inches wide, light blue, lilac and pink, was \$3.50 a yard, for, a yard\$2.50

- Solid Pink and Blue Outings—today's price 40c a yard—for29c
- All Linen Torchon Laces and Insertions—1 to 2 inches wide, for19c yd.
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- Mercerized Crochet Cotton, colored; 15c ball for5c

Wonder Values in WOMEN'S HOSE

For Today

- Ladies' Fiber Silk Hose, white only; were \$1.25, for **69c**
- Women's Silk Hose, full fashioned, Gordon make; were \$2.00, for **\$1.19**