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Nov 18 1916

82, WOODSTOCK ROAD,
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My dear Buxton,

I am sorry you cannot put salt on Lord Robert's tail just at present. There are really a lot of things I want to talk to him about, though nothing so important as the discussion à trois of the League to Enforce Peace.

Many thanks to you all the same.

Yours very sincerely,

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Gilbert Murray

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YATSCOMBE,
BOAR'S HILL,
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15th November, 1943.

My dear Noel-Buxton,

Thanks for your letter and enclosure. I have been making a good many speeches, mostly to small gatherings, on the same general lines as your letter. One of the great troubles is that we are so tied up with our allies. Nearly everyone I have spoken to sees the mistake of demanding unconditional surrender, but I suppose any suggestion of changing that policy would provoke storms of suspicion.

I am very sorry to hear about your eyesight, and greatly hope that the operation has been successful.

Yours very sincerely,

Gilbert Murray

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Feb. 24th. 1940

My dear Noel Buxton,

Many thanks for your paper on War Aims, which seems to me very able. I hope you will be able to have some talk with the French delegates who are coming over to discuss matters with the E.N.U. on the weekend of March 9th. I think my feeling is that I should prefer your kind of peace, a Lansdowne peace, before the war becomes "totalitarian", and I think that should be the aim of our policy, but I cannot see Hitler and the Nazis agreeing to anything that would undermine their prestige, and fighting a Lansdowne peace, I am afraid we shall have to go on and fight for a real victory. Among many difficulties, the worst seems to me to be the complete black-out of any communication with Germany. The fact that it is a capital offence in Germany to listen to foreign radios is a sort of symbol of the times.

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Yours sincerely,

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My dear Noel-Buxton,

Many thanks for your paper about a plebiscite in Czechoslovakia. I am clear that something of the sort will be necessary, but I would sooner not make this specific proposal to the Government now. Partly, because I think the Czechs will propose other forms of compromise which I should not like to rule out; partly because I have, after many years of patience, lost all confidence in the good faith of HMG and fear that they will make an unfair use of any concession that is offered them. Chamberlain's speech on Thursday may modify this opinion. Or of course confirm it.

I am none the less grateful to you for pressing your own reasonable point of view upon them.

Yours very sincerely,

Gilbert Murray

7, RICHMOND TERRACE,
WHITEHALL, S.W.

6th January 1917.

Noel Buxton

I found your notes on my return from Scotland
to-day, which I will read with interest. Many thanks
for sending them to me.

Yours very sincerely,

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12, Rutland Gate, S.W.

Murray

"Yatscombe",
Boar's Hill,
Oxford.

30th June, 1944.

Many thanks for your admirable speech of May 25.

I am very glad to possess it.

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February 23rd, 1925.

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Thank -
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will send NBB [I send few questions]

My dear Buxton,

A postscript to my letter of yesterday. The Greeks are themselves raising the question of the Protection of Minorities at the next meeting of the Council. There is danger that Austen, under the influence of the F.O., may merely snub them on the ground that the Protection of Minorities is not a British interest. I think it would be very valuable if questions could be asked in the House, showing

- (1) that opinion in this country does care about the Protection of Minorities,
- (2) that Great Britain, as a member of the Council, is bound by treaty to protect them,
- (3) that everyone knows they are apt to be grossly oppressed in places like Macedonia and Turkey, where the League has no representative and can get no accurate information.

Please use your own judgement - I merely throw out this suggestion. But I must say I was horrified to hear that the F.O. took the view that the carrying out of the Minority Treaties was "not a British interest."

Yours sincerely,

Gilbert Murray.

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Feb 20 1925

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My dear Buxton,

The history of the Graeco-Bulgarian protocol has been a very great disappointment to me. It seems that the Serbs took offence at the proposal on two grounds: 1) It was likely to lead to a demand to have a League Resident placed in Macedonia to see what the Serbs are doing; 2) It admitted that certain people on the Greek frontiers are Bulgars and gave them special protection, whereas the Serbs claim that there are no Bulgars in Macedonia and consequently no need for a Minority treaty. The people whom they are oppressing are not Bulgars but only bad Serbs: consequently no one has a right to defend them!

The Serbs used their power over Greece - denouncing their treaty of alliance and threatening other steps - and compelled the Greeks to abandon the treaty. The Gk press, from native jingoism or under Serb influence, took the same line. Venizelos told me, and so did Gennadius and others, that it was impossible for any Greek Govt to ratify the Protocol.

The Greeks and the Bulgars seem to have approached our F O and asked for Great Britain's support against Serbia; at any rate they inquired whether G B took any interest in the Treaty. The F O said that G B knew nothing of the treaty and took no interest in it. And Austen accused me of acting incorrectly and without instruc-

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tions.

This of course was not so. When ~~thaxx~~ Politis and Kalfoff asked me to act as informal chairman to their discussions I at once reported to Parmcor and got his approval. I also sent a report to the F O, explaining the circumstances and asking them to use their judgement as putting the incident into their official report or no.

I think the motives of the F O are: 1) A wish to stand well with the Serbs, as the most powerful nation in the Balkans - "and damn Minorities anyhow." 2) Possibly a slight satisfaction in snubbing the late League Delegation.

Meantime I hear from Venizelos himself that the exodus of terrified Bulgars from Greece, which had set in after the Tarliss massacre and stopped when the protocol was signed, has set in again. Naturally.

The Bulgarian minister is unhappy about it, especially because of what it shows as to the attitude of the Serbs and the F O towards the future of the Macedonian Bulgars.

All very sickening!

Yours sincerely,
Gilbert Murray.