

ROOSEVELT URGES WAR ON FOE'S ALLIES

**Calls Our Attitude Toward
Turkey and Bulgaria "Crim-
inal Absurdity."**

DEMANDS ACTION AT ONCE

**Tells Springfield Audience That In-
stead of Belligerence We Are
Praying for Armenians.**

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 1.—"It is frequently said that if we must have criticism it should be constructive criticism," said Theodore Roosevelt in an address here tonight. "Very well, here is a constructive criticism: I propose that we declare war upon Turkey and Bulgaria this week. I hope we will declare war upon them tomorrow.

"The Turks have massacred Armenians," Mr. Roosevelt said, "but we have not declared war upon Turkey, although she is one of the four Central Powers. Instead, we have appointed days of prayer for the Armenians. Moreover, we have allowed organizations to be recruited in this country to fight for the recovery of Palestine, something that should not be permitted against a country with which we are at peace. Of course, the situation is a criminal absurdity."

It is intimated, Mr. Roosevelt continued, that the Germanized Russian Black Sea fleet may make a dash into the Mediterranean. The United States has destroyers operating over there with British and French units. In case of this dash will the Americans have to ascertain the nationality before they fire?

Mr. Roosevelt visited Springfield upon invitation of the Hampden County Improvement League. A crowd of 4,500 packed the auditorium to hear him.

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