

## Independence Day Angakhootian Don

CELEBRATED ON MAY 28

Po celebration of courage

For nearly six hundred years Armenia was under foreign rule... until 1918 when a group of brave heroes fought and defeated the Turkish army at Sardarabad. On May 28, 1918 the newly reborn Armenia was finally declared independent! This miracle happened only three short years after the genocide.



Yerevan was established as the capital city and the *yerakooyn* (tri-coloured flag) waved proudly for all to see. The period that followed was a time of pride for the Armenian people, even as they struggled to maintain their freedom.