

ROYAL SCANDAL IN AUSTRIA MAY LEAD TO DIVORCE

People Growing Bitter Against Emperor and Empress.

BLAME THEM FOR DISASTER

Empress is Accused of Shielding Italians—Emperor Received With Catcalls and Curses When He Appears on Street—Inspired Denial of Rumors Says Czernin Know of Sixtus' Peace Letter.

A few months ago several official or semi-official denials were made regarding charges against Emperor Charles of Austria and his wife, Empress Zita. What these charges refer to is becoming known by degrees.

The empress is accused of shielding and protecting the Italians. The disaster on the Piave was the result of a plot engineered by Empress Zita, the people believe. In Vienna the excitement of the people knows no bounds.

Empress Zita is a daughter of the house of Parma, one of the royal families formerly reigning over parts of Italy. Zita's brothers are accused of betraying Austria. There is no end of denials coming from official sources.

Divorce Thought Imminent.

The first Swiss newspaper which prints anything about the scandal in the Hofburg, aside from the official denials which were enabled to all parts of the world, is the Thurgauer Zeitung. It says:

"According to semi-official and press reports coming from Vienna, there are sinister rumors and accusations regarding the imperial family afloat in Austria and Hungary. In these rumors scenes are mentioned which are said to have taken place in the imperial palace. These scenes are alleged to be the forerunners of a divorce that would sever the marital relations of Charles and Zita.

The great mass of the people hold the imperial couple responsible for the defeat suffered on the Italian front. Emperor Charles and his wife, Zita, are said to have forbidden the use of stifling gasses and flame throwers for the offensive in Italy. Italian prisoners of war are receiving preferential treatment, it is charged.

"Other members of the imperial family are not spared. They also are accused of being implicated in dark plots. Two brothers of Empress Zita, Princes Sixtus and Xavier of Parma, are singled out as most dangerous conspirators. The fact that they were in the enemy's country during the war and the part they played in the affair of the emperor's peace letter are being brought up against them.

"The excitement is growing in Vienna, it is reported, leading to an incident in the streets of the capital where a man ran after the imperial automobile, shouting: 'Fie, Parma!' The emperor was at that time being driven from his palace at Schenbrunn to the Hofburg. Finally the reports and rumors became so widespread and dangerous in their character that both governments, in Vienna and Budapest, were compelled to publish denials and 'corrections' in the newspapers. Besides, the charges were officially denied in the Hungarian parliament, and Dr. von Seidler, the Austrian premier, referred to the accusations in a speech delivered at a reception to the Austrian deputies and at a meeting at the Vienna city hall.

"A semi-official announcement sent out by the Vienna correspondence bureau says the reports concerning the imperial family were disseminated by the entente powers as part of a propaganda offensive, for the purpose of creating unrest and disturbances in the monarchy. In the Hungarian house of deputies Prime Minister Wekerle made a vigorous speech in which he denied the truth of all aspersions cast upon the emperor and empress. He called all these reports false, lying, impossible and unthinkable. His remarks led to an enthusiastic ovation pledging loyalty to the imperial couple on the part of the house.

"The most minute 'correction' was given out by Doctor Funder, editor in chief of the Reichspost, who addressed a great Catholic mass meeting in the Vienna city hall. Doctor Funder attempted to explain away certain incidents in connection with the emperor's peace letter. There is no doubt that he spoke authoritatively, after consulting the highest authorities. The most important part of Doctor Funder's statement no doubt is his disclosure regarding Count Czernin's

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DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

BY ALLMAN



FROM OVER THE STATE

TUMALO ACCOUNTS CHECKED. The order of the State Deceit Land Board, requesting the surrender of the securities on the Tumalo project, which are held by the Security Savings and Trust Co. of Portland, under an escrow agreement, has been modified. The accounts will be checked.

JOSEPHINE HAS NEW AGENT. Grants Pass—Miss Ruth Corbett has assumed her duties as home demonstration agent for this county, succeeding Miss Ann McCormick, who has been agent for both Josephine and Jackson counties in the past. Miss McCormick will confine her efforts to Jackson county alone hereafter.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS CLOSED. Eugene—Public meeting places, excepting schools, have been temporarily closed here due to the Spanish influenza, forty cases of which have been reported.

TO DEDICATE FLAG. Salem—The Knights of Columbus will officiate at the flag raising ceremonies at the St. Joseph's Church here Sunday afternoon. Frank Lonergan, head of the association in Portland will be the chief speaker.

WAGES ARE LOW. Baker—At the mediation meeting wherein a government representative heard both the side of the Sumpter Valley railroad company and the side of the employees, it was determined that wages paid by the company are too low, but that the railroad's earnings would not justify an increase.

SON GOES EAST. Salem—Earl Withycombe, son of Governor and Mrs. Withycombe, who has been home on a furlough recuperating from a severe attack of measles, has returned to his company in the east.

Lone Village Lonesome. Skiddaw is the not inappropiate name of a village in England that has only a single inhabitant. The lone villager of Skiddaw complains because he cannot vote—there being no overseer to prepare the voters' list and no church or public building on which to "publish" one, as the law requires.

CATARRH VANISHES

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Doug Fairbanks in "Say, Young Fellow"—Arcade today. 10-11-11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County. In the matter of the Estate of William Ballard Denny, Deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of William Ballard Denny, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them, with proper vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, to Sue J. Denny, administratrix, at her residence, 1320 X Avenue, La Grande, Oregon, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate. SUE J. DENNY, Administratrix. Dly—Sep 27; Oct 4-11-18-25.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

In the Matter of the Estate of Willard F. Couch, Deceased. Notice is by this given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Willard F. Couch, deceased, has filed her final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, and the court aforesaid has set November 4, 1918, at ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the County Court Room in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, as the place to hear objections to, and for the consideration of said final account; all persons concerned may attend then and there. Date of first publication of notice, September 27, 1918. MINERVA C. COUCH, Administratrix. Dly—Sep 27; Oct 4-11-18-25.

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Classified Ads

WANTED—Janitor who can operate steam heating plant.—Enquire, Observer Office. Oct. 10-31 p
WANTED—Parties to contract building one mile of railroad grade. Inquire Grande Ronde Lumber Co., Ferry, Oregon. 10-10-GL.
WANTED—A girl for housework. Call Farmers' 207. 9-26tf
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WANTED—Clean White Cotton Rags at the Observer Office: 2c per lb.
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FOR RENT—Three room House. Furnished. 1903 Adams. 10-8-1f
FOR RENT—Modern Apartment; Barland Apartments.—Call 5 Depot St., Apt. B. Oct. 7-1f
FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, 1907 Penn. 10-4tf
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LOST—Eik tooth necklace. Finder, please return to Observer office and receive reward. 10-8-5tp
FOR SALE OR TRADE
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FOR SALE—A good Hartford heater. 1300 Penn Ave. Call mornings. 10-9-1f
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FOR SALE—Restaurant and furnished rooms, will sell cheap. Phone Main 736. 9-12-1f
LOST—Last Friday night, between La Grande and Imbler, a casing and rim. Return to Observer; reward. 10-10-2t

Professional Directory

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