

MENACE OF GREAT IN SERVIA'S BOLD

EUROPEAN WAR FRONT TO AUSTRIA

Long Smoldering Hatred Put Germany and Russia at Daggers' Points.

Comprehensive Survey of Situation of Gravest World-wide Alarm.

ANOTHER chapter, perhaps a bloody one, may be added to the tempestuous history of southeastern Europe as the result of the demands of Austria, so forcibly and peremptorily expressed in the ultimatum submitted by the Austrian representative in Belgrade. The present situation is not the outgrowth of recent complications, although recent events, particularly the murder of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, the Austrian heir to the throne, brought matters to a crisis. The real cause of the trouble lies deeper and dates back to the time when Serbia became an independent principality, when the Servians began to dream of a great national future and of the establishment of a great Slav realm in southeastern Europe.

And yet those who have studied the history of the oriental question fully realize that behind all the countless conflicts and intrigues the efforts to arouse racial and religious strife among the countries of the Balkan peninsula and the ceaseless agitations and conspiracies which made the Balkan peninsula the hotbed of trouble in Europe primarily were due to the influence of Russia.

Demands Amazed Germany

The unprecedented demands of Austria and the sharpness of the note addressed to Belgrade struck Berlin as a thunderclap and caused the greatest

amazement. A high government official declared that war or peace rested entirely with Serbia. The attitude of the Belgrade government was believed to depend entirely upon the approval or disapproval of Russia. Officials declared the gravest situation would be presented should France and Russia attempt to interfere.

Balked by Powers.

Once or twice during the past 300 years Russia came near realizing its hope of obtaining an outlet to the



EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH OF AUSTRIA.

Mediterranean, but in every instance the western powers, particularly Austria and Germany, interfered and crushed the ambitious schemes of the northern power. The western powers clearly understood that Russia must remain hemmed in to prevent it from expanding and from gaining control over Europe, a danger called serious to the political independence of all European nations and to European civilization itself.

The present imbroglio, serious enough as its apparent causes may be, is merely another incident in the long

brother George renounced his birthright owing to an unbalanced condition of the mind.

He was born in Cetinje in 1888 and was educated in Russia. He has been popular with the Servian people and is generally regarded as a capable and serious minded young man.

The sudden accession of the prince to power caused quite a sensation in European political circles. His brother George's numerous escapades had long branded him unfit to rule over the country, and it was at the king's request that he renounced his position.

He is one of the handsomest men in the courts of Europe and has had many rumored love affairs. At different times he was reported betrothed to a Russian princess, the crown princess of Greece and the Princess Schadis, eldest daughter of former Sultan Abdul Hamid of Turkey.

During the Turkish war Prince Alexander bore the brunt of most of the fighting along the Macedonian frontier and was especially active at the battles of Kumanovo and Monastir.

Crown Prince Alexander was rescued from death in the Alpine snows last winter while training himself for service with the army in the field.

The monks of the St. Bernard monastery, Geneva, and the dogs were on watch in the St. Bernard pass, as usual on bad nights, when one of the dogs discovered two men overcome in the snow and half buried by the drifting flakes. The men were taken to the monastery and restored to consciousness, when they told the monks they were Prince Alexander and his adjutant, a Servian captain.

The prince said that he, being a soldier and expecting early service in the field, desired to harden his body by exposure under difficult circumstances and had therefore undertaken climbing excursions in the Alps.

Starting Point of War.

Semlin, where the fleet of monitors assembled, lies on the west bank of the Danube just above the point where the Save joins it. In the intersection of the two rivers rises the lofty butte which is the core of the city of Belgrade, the Servian capital, which thus



AUSTRIAN TYROLEAN CAVALRY.

juts out into Hungarian territory. Semlin is only two or three miles away and is easily commanded by guns placed on the heights of Belgrade, as the land lying in the neighborhood is very low. At the intersection of the two rivers is War Island, a marshy expanse formed by the silt brought down by the Save. Around this the Austrian transports are compelled to go to take troops down the river, but the guns of warships at Semlin could easily bombard the city of Belgrade itself.

Semlin has a population of about 17,000, but is a town of no special importance, except as a customs station and the starting point of military operations below the Danube. It is almost surrounded by low lying swampy ground, through which the railroad goes on to the southeast and crosses the Save into Belgrade at a point about three or four kilometers distant.

Temesvar is an important railroad center and garrison town of about 40,000 inhabitants, about fifty miles east of the Danube as it flows south through the plain of Hungary and seventy-five miles northeast of Belgrade. From it diverge several railroad lines, which could carry troops down to the Danube so as to commence an invasion all along the northern frontier of Servia.

One of these lines, striking off to the southeast, reaches the river, just after crossing the Roumanian frontier, at Verclorova. Another leads to the southwest and ends at Pancsova, on the Danube, only a few miles below Belgrade. A third, running southward, forks at Versec, about twenty miles from the frontier. One branch runs to Pancsova, on the southwest, another east to Bazias, on the Danube, about forty miles below Belgrade, and the third to Kubin, midway between Belgrade and Bazias.



CROWN PRINCE ALEXANDER, ACTING REGENT OF SERVIA.

chain of events studiously prepared by Russian influences to widen the breach between the Teutonic nations of the west and the Slavs of the east and to prepare the ground for the grand coup by which Russia hopes to gain its end.

Terms of Triple Alliance.

According to the triple alliance treaty Germany is not bound to assist Austria if Austria strikes the first blow, but in case the first shot is fired by a Servian soldier Germany is obliged, according to the treaty, to side with her ally. In that case Russia as a Slav nation would assist Servia, and the real issue would no longer be between Austria and Servia, but between Germany and Russia.

It is common belief that the Servian Crown Prince Alexander, now acting regent during the king's illness, is under the influence of the war party.

Crown Prince Alexander of Servia is the second son of King Peter, but became heir to the throne when his



A SERBIAN SOLDIER.

Italy and Germany have approved of the Austrian program. All German officers on leave of absence were notified to be prepared to return to their posts at a moment's notice.

The attitude of the German government was outlined in a statement from the foreign office.

"If war is declared," it was stated, "Germany will do everything possible to localize the conflict and keep it confined to Austria and Servia. Germany will keep hands off, but should another power seek to interfere Germany will promptly fulfill its duty as an ally. The action of Austria in delivering the ultimatum was taken independently, Germany having nothing to do with the framing of the note."

It was the desire of Russia to gain a foothold in the Mediterranean which precipitated numerous wars between

It Pays to Look Properous

We have many articles in our different departments which would add greatly to your personal appearance. No matter what you pay, your selection is what counts. We are showing many exclusive patterns in all lines. You always notice the clothing other people wear? Well, other people notice yours just the same. Many good opportunities have been lost because of carelessness in personal appearance. Think it over.

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Sunnyside.

George Crawford and sister passed through Sunnyside the first of the week.

Wm. Clark made a business trip to Bend Wednesday.

Mrs. Chas. Spaugh and daughters and Mrs. A. McAllister, of Pinehurst, were the guests of Mrs. Bart Nichols Sunday.

Fred Wilson has been cutting his rye hay.

Mahlon Couch, who has been assisting on the Crawford ranch at Plainview, returned home last week to take charge of the grain crop in the absence of his father.

Mrs. S. L. Couch made a business trip to Laidlaw Thursday.

Robert Horner, of Laidlaw, passed through Sunnyside Wednesday on his motorcycle.

Mrs. Minta Howard and Mrs. Della Nichols went to Bend on business Wednesday.

T. Saul, of Terrebonne, is the contractor who has charge of building Gene Wimer's residence.

Mr. Coiner, of Pinehurst, spent two days this week at the home of Fred Wilson.

Jay Nichols, of Tumalo, was in Laidlaw Saturday night.

F. W. Leverna, of Plainview, passed through here Wednesday on his way to Laidlaw.

Mrs. Jess Harter, of Laidlaw, visited her mother, Mrs. G. M. Couch, one day last week.

Mrs. Della Nichols gave a temperance lecture at Pinehurst Thursday night.

Mrs. G. M. Couch, who has been ill, is very much improved in health.

Pringle Flats.

Another fine Sunday was enjoyed by a large crowd at Pringle Flat. Rev. Mr. Wyatt preached in the morning. Dinner was then spread out on long tables and there was plenty for all. Each Sunday this spring and summer just after Sunday school Pringle Flat people, with the help of friends from adjoining neighborhoods, have given an old-fashioned picnic dinner, with increasing popularity, as more people attend each Sunday.

After dinner was over yesterday Mr. Lovett, of Redmond, agricultural expert for Crook county, was introduced by Mr. Davis, president of Pringle Flat Improvement Association. Mr. Lovett gave an excellent talk on farming and stock raising. A good many questions were asked and Mr. Lovett answered and explained in detail. Pringle Flat folks would be glad to have him come again.

Pringle Flat was the winner of the ball game with the Bear Creek Cubs. Score 33 to 11.

Now that the busy haying season is nearly over a ball game will be played here each Sunday afternoon. Other teams wishing games with Pringle Flat address W. T. Wiggan, Rivers, Oregon.

Sunday School Picnic.

Those wishing to attend the Christian Sunday school picnic at Gulliford Grove next Sunday leave orders at Mrs. Cyrus' store. Leave Prineville between 8:30 and 9:00 o'clock. Public invited.

Lamonta Items.

Miss Marie Shafer, of Powell Butte, and George Ragner, of Lamonta, were united in marriage at Prineville, Monday, Aug. 3d. The happy couple will reside at the groom's ranch near Lamonta. They have the best wishes of their many friends.

Mrs. S. A. Short and daughters Clara and Etta left for their future home in Eugene Saturday.

Miss Beulah Barker has left Oregon for her new home in Texas.

Mrs. Joe Weigand gave a pleasant lawn party Saturday, August 2d. Miss Marie Schafer was the guest of honor for the occasion.

Those present were, Misses Wannie and Nellie Ralston, Ada Mitchell, Hazel Clark and Neva Weigand, Elmer and Lewis Mitchell, Pearl, Norman and Jack Weigand, Rudy Retzlaff, George Ragner, Jess and Weaver Melton and Lloyd McMeen.

Mrs. Nora Helms and children arrived from Laidlaw Sunday for a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mitchell.

Two sisters of Mrs. L. M. Thomas from Portland are making a short visit here.

Arthur Cox was a visitor at the Casper Newbill home Sunday.

Judge Springer was in Prineville last week.

Mrs. L. Gerbing, of Bend, is home on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Melton.

I. M. King was a Prineville visitor last week.

Mrs. Grant and family visited at the Wilmarth home Sunday.

Myrtle Cowan has been visiting in Prineville the past week.

The Federation of Young People's Societies of Prineville

Will hold union meetings at 7 o'clock Sunday evenings during August. Every one is cordially invited to attend.

August 2, at the Christian church, leader Robert Douglas.

August 9, at the Methodist church, leader Rev. Isingminger.

August 16, at the Baptist church, leader Mrs. Geo. Ramsey.

August 23, at the Presbyterian church, leader Mrs. J. B. Shipp.

August 30, open air meeting.

Special music is being prepared for these services.

Notice to Democrats.

We request that one Democrat from each precinct in the county meet us at the office of M. R. Biggs, at Prineville, Oregon, on Saturday, August 15, 1914, at 4:00 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a County Democratic Central Committee. All Democrats of the county are requested to come or send in the name of one in their precinct to act as central committeeman from that precinct. Signed: M. R. BIGGS, R. W. ZEVILLY, Appointed Committeemen for Crook County. 8-6-2tp

Estrayed.

One dark gray mare 7 years old, branded Ce on shoulder, one bay gelding colt two years old with four white feet and star in forehead, no brand; one yearling colt, dark or dirty gray. Left Culver about five weeks ago. Finder notify I. E. Penwell, Madras, Oregon, R. F. D., and receive reward. 8-6-3p

Standing of Contestants In the \$400 Piano Contest For Week Ending July 22, 1914

No.	Vote	No.	Vote
5	1 297 935	96	49 569
6	1 254 595	100	245 800
11	10 339	102	37 239
12	378 105	113	137 096
13	1 064 290	124	455 495
18	4 090	127	380 546
35	407 275	138	92 929
34	12 920	140	212 300
35	685 000	143	75 760
36	50 835	144	874 610
32	396 885	153	202 356
53	214 975	159	10 145
58	474 230	160	43 815
67	13 990	162	338 570
78	219 740	163	3 150
79	443 965	164	60 370
89	112 110	165	118 985

Portland Stock Market.

The week's receipts have been, cattle, 1,815; calves, 93; hogs, 2,865; sheep, 5,683.

Cattle liquidations heavier than last week, but outlet so good that beef prices gained a quarter. Top steer sales the first half of the week \$7.50; cows, \$6.35; bulls, \$5.74 head of exceptionally fine steers sold Friday at 8c. Improved demand and better trend to market.

Swine receipt assumed fairly large proportions Monday. Trade reaches \$8.95 for best light stock. Tuesday and Wednesday \$9.00, and closing at \$9.05 Friday. This market can readily handle a few thousand more hogs than the present receipts.

Choice mutton and lamb stock steady at unchanged prices. The bulk of stuff arriving for the week of inferior quality. Receipts in excess of 5,000. Prime weathers \$4.50 to \$4.75. Prime ewes, \$3.85 to \$4.00; medium ewes, \$3.25 to \$3.75. Spring lambs, \$5.50 to \$6.

Perils of Pauline Fourth Episode

The fourth episode of the "Perils of Pauline" will be shown at the Lyric Saturday, August 8th, matinee at 2:30; evening at 8:00 p. m. In this number a large yacht is blown up in an effort to do away with Harry and Pauline. The explosion takes place as scheduled, but something else happens. What it is you will see on the screen.

There is some comedy in this episode, as the old pirate is not just the one you would expect to meet in the best society. The action is strong, the dramatic interest intense. This episode is stronger and more interesting than those that have gone before.

"The Perils of Pauline" becomes more and more interesting as the story goes on, although each installment is complete in itself. The Lyric urges you to come and see these pictures. They are wholesome, clean and intensely thrilling. The leading players are well known stars of filmdom, which alone should guarantee the productions. They are pictures you can safely bring your wife, your sweetheart or your children to see. You will be more than pleased with them. An episode is shown every two weeks on Saturday only.

Agents Wanted

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