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THE KING HID.

BUT HIS MURDERERS SOUGHT HIM OUT FOR DEATH.

He Crouched Behind a Secret Door He Pleaded for Mercy and Promised Everything if Life Could be Spared —They Shot him as he Pleaded.

Belgrade, Servia, June 11.—King Alexander and Queen Draga were assassinated during the military revolutions which broke out at 2 o'clock this morning in the streets of Belgrade.

A proclamation was posted in the streets an hour afterward stating that Their Majesties had been shot to death in their apartments in the palace.

Public opinion has been strong against the king and queen for months, and especially in army circles has the sentiment against the rulers been pronounced.

The outbreak this morning was precipitated by the highhandedness of the king under the influence of Queen Draga. For months have mutterings been heard, and the intense feeling has been smouldering, and the king's act of stifling popular voice at the recent election by forced ministerial action was the last straw.

The first intimation of serious trouble, however, was not manifest until last night, when murmurings began to be heard, until with a roar the army at 2 o'clock this morning broke all bounds and started the revolution.

The palace was the first point of attack and thither the military mob rushed.

The Evening Star's Belgrade correspondent wires that the bodies of the dead King Alexander and Queen Draga were buried in a pit early this morning at Rakonitzka as a mark of ignominy. Also that the bodies of the royal couple's relatives and murdered statesmen were thrown in on top of them and then the earth filled in.

There is great credence given to this report, although it is also stated that the funeral of the victims of the assassination will be held Sunday. This is not looked upon with much reliability, as no one in Belgrade seems to know where the bodies are, which further substantiate the story of the ignominious burial.

Semlin, Hungary, June 13.—From an intimate personal friend of the new premier of the Servian provisional government, Avakumovic, the Associated Press correspondent has received the following account of the tragedy in Belgrade, which he is assured is absolutely authoritative:

Six weeks ago one of the officers in the secret warned the king of what was going on, when all the officers concerned were transferred to points in the interior, the king fearing to take stronger measures against them. About the same time a certain woman was sent to Geneva to see Prince Peter Karageorgevich and submit to him a proposition that he come to Servia as king upon his agreeing to accept a new constitution based on liberal principles. Prince Peter accepted the conditions. As soon as the conspirators obtained the assurance that the kingdom would have a new sovereign, they decided to kill Alexander and Queen Draga.

Colonel Maschin, Queen Draga's brother-in-law, was the leader of the conspiracy. A number of officers came to Belgrade from interior posts on the night of the tragedy and supped together at the Serbische Kron restaurant, where the final details were arranged. At midnight they proceeded from the restaurant to the palace, and forced the door leading to the royal apartments, using dynamite. When they entered they could find nobody, the king and queen, alarmed by the noise of their approach, having concealed themselves. For two whole hours the officers hunted through every nook and corner of the royal apartments without success. Then they found the king's adjutant, Lazar Petrovics, and compelled him to lead them to the king's hiding place. He took them to the bathroom and pointed to a secret door in the wall, opening upon a staircase leading to the roof.

Behind this door crouched the king and queen.

When the conspirators were assured of their pray they shot and killed the adjutant. Meanwhile the king fell upon his knees and begged for life, offering to yield to every demand, to sign any document, to agree to leave the country or to send Queen Draga away; anything, everything, if only they would not kill him. The officers answered roughly, "It is too late," and fired at him. The queen also fell on her knees and asked pardon for her conduct, but one of the officers, calling her a degrading epithet, told her she had been queen long enough. One of the conspirators, after submitting the queen to gross indignities, slashed her with his sword and the other officers fired at her. The king was also slashed with sabres. The conspirators then dragged the king and queen into the front apartments and threw them over the balcony upon the lawn in front of the palace, which is separated from the street by an iron fence. The king and queen lived for one or two hours afterward.

Meanwhile two of the officers summoned the queen's two brothers from their home to the house of the commander of the Belgrade division, where they were offered a glass of water and told to bid each other farewell. In the very moment they embraced each other, the officers shot and killed them. One hundred soldiers, commanded by two officers, at the same time surrounded the house of Minister of War Pavlovics and summoned him to open the door. The minister looked from a window, and the soldiers fired at him, wounding him. The Russian military attache, who lived in the same house, hearing the noise, rose and dressed himself in his Russian uniform, and attempted to remove the minister to his apartment. The officers ordered him to go away, and he, seeing the hopelessness of the situation, departed. The soldiers then entered the house and shot and killed the minister, whose body was left on the floor, and was not discovered until ten o'clock in the morning, when it was found by his son-in-law and daughter, who had escaped.

Since the tragedy occurred, the real facts of an attempt upon the persons of the king and queen a month ago have become known. The conspirators at that time engaged the services of a young Bohemian, the son of a tailor living in Belgrade. He obtained a position in the kitchen of the Grand Hotel of Belgrade to learn cookery. He proved so intelligent that a little later he was given employment in the royal kitchen. Here he again proved very efficient and was entrusted the duty of preparing the food for the royal table, taking it from the cooking utensils, and placing it in dishes which he handed to lackeys.

He now began to appear very prosperous and took French lessons. He came one day to his teacher, a widow living in Belgrade, in a jubilant state, wearing a new suit of clothes, and saying that he was earning 160 cinars (about \$32) per month. The same evening, while preparing a dish for the king, he mixed poison with the food. The head cook detected him in the act and promptly informed the king, and the youth was shot immediately. His parents were brought to the palace and told the facts of the case, and were compelled, under threats of death, to tell everybody that their son had killed himself. Since the tragedy the youth's parents have revealed the plot.

Vienna, June 12.—Neue Press in an article this morning states that neither the sisters nor nephews of Queen Draga were killed in Belgrade yesterday. Besides the queen the only members of her family murdered were her two brothers.

London, June 12.—The Rueter Agency's Belgrade correspondent asserts that Alexander and Draga will be buried secretly in the old cemetery of St. Mark's church, Belgrade, between 1:30 and 3 o'clock Sunday morning.

With this comes also the report that the bodies have already been disposed of by the new military.

Members of the former king's government, who were imprisoned yesterday were freed today. The new king will not arrive here until after both houses of parliament have met and arranged the plan of the new government.

THEY NEED RAIN.

EASTERN OREGON GRAIN FIELDS BADLY DAMAGED BY HOT WINDS AND WEATHER.

Fifteen Thousand Acres of Wheat in Umatilla County Is Ruined and Will Not Be Worth Cutting—Yield Already Reduced One-Fourth —Other News.

Portland, June 13.—Portland Journal says: From a condition that looked favorable for the average crop throughout the Inland Empire hot weather and burning-dry north winds within three days reduced the possible yield by one-fourth and cheated the farmers of at least 2,750,000 bushels of grain.

Reports reaching Portland now indicate that unless weather conditions are particularly favorable during the remainder of the present month and the early weeks of July, much greater loss will result. Between 10,000,000 and 12,000,000 bushels of wheat and barley is an average crop for Walla Walla, and Columbia counties, Wash., and Umatilla county, Ore., and two weeks ago everything pointed to this figure being realized. Then came hot weather and dry winds and hopes were blasted.

Private advices received from the headquarters of the Washington & Columbia River Railway at Walla Walla, are to the effect that nothing like definite figures can as yet be obtained regarding the probable yield, but it is known that a loss of at least 25 per cent. has already been sustained.

From Pendleton comes the report that in Umatilla county alonethere are 15,000 acres of grain from which the sap of life has been licked by the dry winds, leaving it a total loss. It is not probable that any attempt will be made to harvest this grain at all, the dwarfed and roasted remnants of what were once promising grain fields being burned with the stubble in the fall. There are many farms on the Washington side of the line which have been similarly served, but estimates cannot be made with accuracy as to the percentage that can be saved.

After a loss of 25 percent., grain experts claim the farmers of the Inland Empire districts could realize profit on their year's outlay, but prices would have to be right and harvesting expenses light. What the future has in store in this regard remains to be seen.

The wonderful recuperative powers of the Northwest soil and vegetation nourished by it are well known and it is hoped that exactly beneficial weather conditions during the next few weeks will change the complexion of affairs and build up the yield rather than further reduce it.

Rain is needed, and needed badly in every inland district. Should this rain come in the proper measure and be interspersed with bright sunshine of the kind that invigorates but does not burn, and should the winds remain away it is admitted there is still a possibility that the wheat and crops may not end so badly as it now looks. But to prevent further loss everything must work together in exactly the proper proportion to effect an almost miraculous change.

Oregon City, Or., June 13.—While intoxicated, Dan Beer, of Silverton, walked off the bluff at the foot of Fifth street this afternoon and fell to the railroad track below, a distance of 90 feet, and escaped uninjured. That the man escaped with his life is miraculous, for the bluff at the scene of the mishap is almost precipitous and is of rocky formation.

In falling Beer collided with a clump of Willows, that arrested his fall, or he would surely have been dashed to death on the railroad track. Beer has for a number of years been employed on the river steamers on the Willamette and came to this city this morning from Portland.

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