

BALKAN PROBLEM PZZLES POWERS

Servia Must Be Asked What She Asks in Compensation From Austria.

WILL AUSTRIA YIELD ANY?

Russia, Britain and France Unite in Effort to Reconcile Big and Little Nations Which Grow at Each Other.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The powers are not finding the solution of the Balkan difficulty as easy as they expected a week ago.

West Russia, in common with Great Britain, has signified that an effort should be made to have Servia state explicitly her claims in the way of compensation.

Before the claims are finally presented, however, the powers desire to know what Austria-Hungary is willing to concede, and it has been suggested, with this end in view, that Vienna should be indirectly approached, the idea of making direct representations to the Austro-Hungarian government having been dropped early in the negotiations.

France and Great Britain are making special efforts to maintain peace.

SERVIA WITHOUT ANY ALLY

War Cloud Blowing Away in Austro-Hungarian Muddle.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The situation between Austria-Hungary and Servia is viewed much more hopefully today at the Foreign Office. Inasmuch as Russia has agreed to participate in a joint note to Belgrade, it is believed that Servia will see that she is completely isolated and without any prospect of foreign assistance should she go to war. It was said at the Foreign Office that a collective note to Belgrade, the wording of which is still under consideration, will be in the form of the purpose of sparing sensitivities, but will leave no doubt that Servia must relinquish any territorial expansion. It is assumed here that Servia will accept this advice, particularly as Austria-Hungary has declared her willingness to make trade concessions to compensate for the abandonment of the claim of a portion of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The brighter outlook along the Danube resulted today in a firm rise in prices on the bourse.

GERMANY NOT TO BE AN ALLY

Chancellor von Buelow Denies Paris Newspaper Report.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—Official denial was given here today to the statement published this morning in the Paris Mailly from that paper's Berlin correspondent that Chancellor von Buelow had told the party leaders yesterday that in case of a conflict between Austria-Hungary and Servia, Germany would support Austria-Hungary, which Russia supported the latter country by arms, Germany immediately would put herself on the side of Austria-Hungary and attack Russia.

COMIC OPERA CAUSES RIOT

Montenegrins Object to Passages of "The Merry Widow."

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 27.—The presentation last night at the local opera house of "The Merry Widow" resulted in a scene of rioting which was being sung by an Austrian company before an audience that included many members of the diplomatic corps. A group of Montenegrins, whose national sentiment was wounded by the presentation, whistled, howled and beat upon the floor with heavy sticks. The audience hurriedly left the theater and several were injured. The demonstrators were arrested.

CLOUDS LIFT OVER BALKANS

Leading Powers Feel More Optimistic Over Situation.

PARIS, Feb. 27.—A decidedly more optimistic feeling prevails in official circles today regarding the Balkan situation. The formula of the collective note to be presented to Servia will be elaborated at Berlin. It will then be communicated to Paris in order that it may be examined before asking the adherence of Russia. In the meantime, Germany is expected to secure the assent of Austria-Hungary.

AGREE TO RAISE ARMY PAY

Conferees Settle Differences About Military Appropriations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Conferees on the Army appropriation bill completed their consideration today and will report it to the Senate and House on Monday. The House conferees accepted the various Senate amendments increasing the appropriations for the pay of military officers. The Senate conferees receded from the amendment providing for retirement of regular Army officers with rank and pay of the grade they would have attained if promotions in the several grades were second-Lieutenant to Colonel inclusive had been carried out linearly and by seniority.

An amendment accepted enables West Point cadets to attend the inaugural ceremony.

An appropriation of \$200,000 to construct store houses on Casco Bay Island, Philippine Islands, which was inserted by the Senate, remains in the bill. The Senate provision to construct roads from St. Louis to the Jefferson Barracks reservation was stricken out.

CONDENSED NEWS BY WIRE

New York—Improvements are soon to be made to Grant's Tomb, on Riverside drive. Stained glass windows will replace the painted glass used at present.

New York—With a view to organizing a National association for the promotion of kindergarten education, a number of well-known women assembled in New York Saturday.

New York—Farm jobs in the West and west are in great demand for agricultural labor and men and women are flocking to the West.

Chicago—Three holdup men, accused of the theft of \$6 cents, were sentenced to life terms in the penitentiary by a jury in Judge Kersten's court Saturday.

San Bernardino, Cal.—Samuel Adams, troubled by a conscience that would not let him rest, has trumped all the way from San Diego to Redlands to confess a burglary he committed October 10 last.

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That each contestant may be thoroughly conversant with the route, maps are to be furnished each machine, which will include every town and station along the route selected. Already five machines have been entered and Mr. Guggenheim has offered a purse of \$50,000 for the winner.

It is expected that over 40 automobiles will start from New York June 1, and bets are being offered in New York that the time will be 20 days or less. It is expected that June 23 will see the last machine finish at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific fairgrounds.

Who should like to have this race come by way of Portland, said Mr. Guggenheim last night, "but the principal contingency will be the accessibility of the roads. I wish to be informed of the condition of the roads from Portland to Seattle, and I think would be the best one to take if the pass over the Cascades is feasible for automobiles. We expect to have over 40 entries and all these machines will be furnished with maps of the route. Of course, through the Eastern States the roads are all good and can be traveled with ease during June, but after the machines strike Wyoming, the best way must be selected, and it will require time to do this."

Mr. Guggenheim expects to return to Portland about next Thursday to investigate the condition of Oregon roads throughout the country. The automobile race will be found on page 4 of the sporting section of today's Oregonian.

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Woman Who Figured in Sillers Case Sobs Her Resolution to Do Only What Is Right.

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DEFENSE ON STAND

State Closes Case in Trial of Dr. Peacock.

Portland, Feb. 27.—The defense in the trial of Dr. Peacock, charged with the death of Madeline Longtin, today closed its case.

GIRL'S STATEMENT READ

Motion to Dismiss Overruled by Presiding Judge—Night Session Is Held in Order to Hasten Conclusion of Trial.

PORTLAND, Wash., Feb. 27.—(Special)—Armed with a brilliant array of medical experts from Portland and Astoria, Attorney John Manning and J. Bruce Palworth tonight began the defense for Dr. Fred Peacock, whose trial on a charge of manslaughter had been going on here since Wednesday.

Dr. J. Malarky, who is chief counsel for the prosecution, placed the last motion for the state on the stand late this afternoon and, with the exception of the testimony of Joseph Longtin, father of the girl whose death Dr. Peacock is alleged to have caused through an unlawful operation, the prosecution has placed all of its evidence before the jury.

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