

KING OF GREECE IS ASSASSINATED

No Confirmation of Report Received but Reuter's Carried Unqualified Dispatch

NO DETAILS ARE GIVEN

Dispatch Simply States That He Was Assassinated in Salonica—Constantine is His Heir.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] London, March 18.—King George of Greece was assassinated in Athens today, according to an unconfirmed dispatch from Salonica to a local news agency.

The Greek delegation here admitted it had heard rumors of the assassination of King George, but declared no confirmation had been received. Reuter's news agency, however, carried an unqualified dispatch to the effect that the king was assassinated at Salonica.

The first report of the assassination received here came in a telegraphic dispatch from Vienna.

King George was assassinated at Salonica, where he was at the head of a division of the Greek army, according to news agency dispatches. News of his death reached Paris, Berlin, Rome and other capitals simultaneously, but confirmation is still lacking. King George had been in Salonica since December, when the city surrendered to the Balkan forces.

Queen Olga had been in the field much of the time with King George. An attempt to assassinate the king in 1894 failed.

The heir to the throne of Greece is Crown Prince Constantine, who is now at Janina, commanding the Greek troops there.

King 50 Years Old.

George I, king of the Hellenes, was born December 24, 1845, elected king in 1863. He was the brother of the late king of Denmark, Frederick VIII, and brother of the dowager queen of Great Britain and the dowager empress of Russia. He married in 1867 the Grand Duchess Olga, eldest daughter of the Grand Duke Constantine of Russia, grand uncle to the present emperor. They have six children, five sons and one daughter. The eldest is Prince Constantine, born in 1888, married in 1889 the Princess Sophia, sister of the present German emperor, and has three sons, Prince George, born 1890; Prince Alexander, born 1893, and Prince Paul, born 1901, and a daughter, Princess Helen, born 1896.

The other sons of the king are Prince George, born 1869; Prince Nicholas, born 1877; Prince Andrew, 1882; Prince Christopher, born 1888.

The king's eldest daughter, Alexandra, married in 1889 the Grand Duke Paul, uncle of the present emperor of Russia, and died September 24, 1901.

ACCOUNTING SYSTEM WILL PROVE GOOD

That the new law prescribing a uniform system of accounting to be formulated by the state insurance commissioner and to be used by all offices and institutions expending state money will be productive of highly satisfactory results is the opinion of those who have made a careful study of the measure. The bill was one of the many which originated in the mind of Governor West and which passed the last legislature.

The new law applies to every county in the state and to all road and school districts. The state insurance commissioner is to furnish blank forms for reports to be made to him at regular or irregular intervals by any person or officer or employe connected with the state or county government, regardless of whether such person actually handles money.

The law makes it a duty of any officer or employe of the state, or any county on request of the state insurance commissioner to install and use the forms and system of accounting prescribed in the law. Once each year the insurance commissioner is required to make a careful and accurate audit of the books and accounts of each institution or officer expending state money, and of the books and accounts of each county of the state.

Vessel and Crew Lost.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Stettin, Germany, March 18.—Wreckage found floating off the Norway coast indicates that the German steamer Peruvian, with a crew of 20, was lost off here some time ago. The vessel has been posted as "missing" for several days.

Are Not Professionals.

Seattle, Wash., March 18.—The University of Washington faculty investigating committee exonerated track athletes from charges of professionalism following a conference at which Dr. D. C. Hall, coach, attended. It is unlikely the other coaches will be called. Each of the varsity baseball candidates will be questioned individually. The investigation is being held as a result of charges and countercharges made by Football Coach Dobie and Coach Bender of W. S. C.

THE OTHER FELLOW IS THE STRETCHER

Chief Shedeck No Slouch When Doing the Rubber Act With the Truth.

"It seems to me that the police force has been in the habit of making as few arrests as possible in cases where the law against disorderly conduct is being violated," said Chairman Minton, of the police committee, today, when approached concerning the general fight which took place at the west end of the Willamette bridge last Saturday afternoon.

"It was not right and proper for the local police to advise the young men participants in the fight to go over into Polk county to settle their troubles," said Mr. Minton, "and I don't approve of that method which the officers adopted of settling trouble arising between these people. I believe it is a fact that by reason of the row which occurred in Salem last Saturday afternoon in the rear of the Lawrence store, a violation of the ordinance occurred and that the police should have acted as they are directed along such lines. This laxity in enforcing the laws of the city acts as an incentive for those desiring to raise trouble, and I believe these ordinances should be upheld strictly to the letter."

Is This Stretching Truth?

During D. W. Gibson's administration as chief of police, three different crowds of young men were advised to go to Polk county to fight. Jim Lewis acted as adviser of two crowds, while a special officer by the name of John Longcore directed the third band. During the administration of Ira Hamilton, ex-Officer Whitlatch even conducted fourteen men to the Polk county line on the bridge and told them "to go at it." During this same administration, ex-Officers Thompson and Gains told two different parties who were determined to fight in front of a local restaurant to go to Polk county if they wanted to settle their argument by fictitious encounter. Now, the present police force admits, through the press, that another band of peace violators was advised to cross the bridge to fight.

It has become a by-word in Salem "fighting circles" to go to Polk county to see a good, un molested battle and apparently the last dictum of the police is no exception to the rule.

It Was a Silver Tip.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Denver, Colo., March 18.—By tracking a big silver tip bear to his lair, "Jack" Lynch, a resident of Eagle, Colo., has located fabulously rich silver deposits near Eagle today, according to word received here.

Lynch came upon the bear while prospecting. He chased the animal into a high cave, and while waiting for him to come out, saw traces of the silver in the rocks at his feet. A big rush to the spot is expected.

Rains in California.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Sacramento, Cal., March 18.—Generous rainfall, ending the longest continuous drought since 1899 was general through northern California last night. The local forecaster reports heavy rains and snows in the valley and mountain districts. The precipitation is a godsend to the farmers and cattle-raisers in the entire northern part of the state.

Killing Was Justifiable.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Huntington, W. Va., March 18.—Accquittal on the charge of murdering his father to save his mother from a beating, is secured here today by Oris Pickleheimer, a school teacher of Paintsville, Kentucky. Several wealthy Kentuckians attend the trial and used their influence for Pickleheimer.

WILL GET THE ACTUAL COST OF RAILROADS

Interstate Commerce Commission Would Get Basis for Fixing Rates.

REAL VALUES UNKNOWN

Courts Hold Roads Entitled to Fair Returns, and This Will Show Them What is Fair.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, March 18.—That the interstate commerce commission is well able to enforce the law demanding the obtaining of the physical valuation of the property of common carriers was the statement here today of Chairman Clark, of the commission.

"The work is one of great magnitude," Clark said, "but the commission is not staggered or daunted by the duties placed upon it. It will necessarily take some time to secure the desired values."

Clark said that the valuation work would comprehend the "securing of reliable, authentic and exhaustive information whereupon to base a determination of the original cost and productive value of these properties, which exist under public franchises, and perform public functions." He declares that no one knows the value of a single carrier, adding:

"The courts have held that carriers are entitled to a fair return on the value of their property. It is manifestly fair that the return is undeterminable until such value is known."

WHAT HE THINKS ARE NECESSARIES

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Los Angeles, Cal., March 18.—No couple can live comfortably in Los Angeles for less than \$63 a month, according to a sample budget submitted to the Los Angeles industrial commission by B. F. Butterfield, a bookkeeper, who urges the commission to institute an inquiry into the high cost of living here.

Butterfield's sample budget for a month includes 25 cents for face powder and 20 cents for "having photo taken."

Weather Forecast.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Portland, Or., March 18.—Weather forecast: Oregon—Occasional rain to night and Wednesday. West to north-west winds.

PREPARE WHITEWASH FOR POLICE CHIEF

Chief Argument in Defense Is That the Woman Should Have Been at Home.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, March 18.—"Official clemency" is expected to be extended to Major Sylvester, Washington's chief of police, following charges brought before the United States senate that he not only failed to prevent, but, in some cases encouraged the riots during the suffrage parade here March 3.

The senate "Sylvester probe" committee consisting of Senators Pomeroy, Jones and Dillingham is busy today mixing the Sylvester whitewash, and will spread it on the report exonerating the major in the near future.

It is stated that the chief arguer in Sylvester's favor was that the ladies should have remained at home on the day in question.

HAD TO KILL HER TO GET RID OF HER

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, March 18.—That it was necessary to get rid of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Josephine Plases, because she was a disturbing element in the household, was the defense offered by Manuel Lopez, a cement worker, in his trial for the woman's murder here today.

Following the killing Lopez is alleged to have attacked and painfully injured his wife. He escaped but was captured in Redwood City, near here.

A German Hurricane.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Hamburg, Ger., March 18.—Causing 12 or more deaths and the destruction of 80 small boats, a southwesterly hurricane raged off here early today.

France Is Pleased.

Paris, March 18.—Highly favorable sentiments are being published here over the selection of William F. McCombs, campaign manager for President Wilson, as ambassador to France. The Midi declares today: "France is to be congratulated. McCombs belongs to the race containing Woodrow Wilson and William James. He is a man of wondrous activity. We are happy that he has reconsidered his decision regarding the Paris embassy. In him America will be ably represented."

MAXINE IS SOWING SOME DIVORCE SEED

American Actress Will Wed English Tennis Player in London Today.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] London, March 18.—Miss Maxine Elliott, the American actress, and Anthony F. Wilding, the famous British tennis player, were wed today at Nice, France, according to reports received here from that place.

Wilding is a member of the English bar. In 1906 he won the international singles championship from F. B. Alexander, the American champion.

Actor Forbes Robertson and his wife, Miss Gertrude Elliott, brother-in-law and sister of Maxine Elliott, declared here today that the story of Miss Elliott's wedding is doubtless untrue.

"If Maxine was married, I would surely hear of it," Miss Elliott declared. Robertson denies having heard anything of the wedding.

HUSBAND IN PRISON SHE WANTS DIVORCE

With her husband now serving a term in the Oregon state penitentiary for the crime of forgery committed in Portland a year ago, and three minor children dependent upon her for support, are the grounds upon which Anna O. Gray is seeking a divorce from her husband, Duwain Daniel Fearn, according to the allegations in a complaint filed in the circuit court of this county today.

It is further alleged in the complaint that the defendant deserted his family in Portland prior to his arrest and conviction, and that he has failed to support the defendant for at least one year past.

Would Send the Children Away.

The complainant prays the court to award her the custody of the children, upon condition, however, that they be given into the care and custody of the Boys' & Girls' Aid Society, of Portland. This is considered to be a peculiar request to make, when, at the same time the plaintiff sets forth in her complaint that she is sufficiently competent to care for the children.

The couple were married in Southern California in the year 1904.

CAPITAL JOURNAL HAS A NEW EASTER SUIT

The Capital Journal, always up-to-date in everything, came out yesterday in a brand new Easter suit, having a complete new outfit of reading type from top feathers to shoe leas. The type is also a trifle "leaner," gathered at the bottom, so to speak, to conform to the latest hobble style. In consequence there will more letters go in a line, and the readers will get that much more interesting reading matter, society news, telegraph and local events. The Capital Journal leads in style and keeps up to date in its dress as well as its news, both of which extend from necktie to shoe polish, though the news is cut much fuller than the present style of skirt.

FACING TRIAL ALWAYS MAKES THEM SICK

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, March 18.—On advice of the physician of Charles Baker, the defaulting assistant cashier of the Crocker National Bank who is accused of embezzling close to \$200,000, it was decided here today to waive the immediate examination of Baker before United States Commissioner Krull. The date of the examination was set for Wednesday, but according to his physician, Baker will be unable to appear on that date because of sickness. It is stated that Baker's condition is not dangerous.

FRIEDMANN TREATS ELEVEN PATIENTS

Work is Done Under Government Supervision on Selected Patients.

THE TEST WILL SETTLE IT

He is Prohibited From Treating Patients Until Tests Are Made—Hundreds Are Awaiting.

Seattle, Wash., March 18.—A special to the Star from Dr. Charles S. Noble, of Seattle, who is in New York investigating the Friedmann tuberculosis cure for Seattle and Tacoma papers, says that many sufferers who rushed to New York are dying, while Friedmann is prohibited from even giving them his alleged cure, owing to red tape regulations.

However, many of these victims are doomed, Dr. Noble thinks, even though the Friedmann cure is all he claims it to be. The Berlin physician does not claim he can cure patients in the third stages of the disease, and for this reason there is no hope for the son of Millionaire Finlay, who offered Friedmann a million dollars for a cure.

Dr. Noble attended the clinic in Bellevue hospital yesterday, where Friedmann gave his treatment, under the supervision of Government Surgeons Anderson and Stimson. Telling of this, Noble says:

"Friedmann's technic is good, but not quite up to the American standard. He injected 11 patients, 10 men and one woman. They are all in the second stages of the disease. The bacilli were present in the sputum of all. They showed a loss of weight, rapid heart action, and all had coughs.

"The clinic was held in the large amphitheatre of the hospital, and all medical officials of the city were present. "Friedmann was composed. He worked rapidly, but appeared to be under great tension. He injected every case intramuscularly."

All of Friedmann's clinics hereafter must be held under government supervision, and no one except the government physicians will be allowed to observe the action of the serum on the patients. Friedmann will not even be allowed to treat any cases privately or to sell any of his serum, until he gets a favorable report from the government surgeons. He is compelled to submit to this regulation because he has no license to practice.

UNCLE SAM IS NOT A COLLECTION AGENCY

President Wilson Refuses to Back Morgan Loans With American Battleships.

Washington, March 18.—The United States government as long as President Wilson remains as its active head, will not act as a collection agency in South and Central American republics for big business or guarantee any Wall street loans to any foreign power.

Although confirmation of this course may not be forthcoming for several days, it was learned from a private source here this afternoon that President Wilson is determined that his administration shall adopt this course from the outset.

President Wilson and his cabinet this afternoon discussed a request by J. P. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and other financiers participating in the "six power" loan proposed to be made to China. They wanted the state department to sanction the loan, so the security may be unquestioned and the return of the loan guaranteed by Chinese customs collections.

President Wilson, however, is determined, it is learned from an authoritative source, that this government shall not collect private debts or guarantee any loans and it is understood Secretary of State Bryan strongly favors such an attitude. Immediately after Wilson's inauguration, representatives of certain financiers tried to secure Bryan's endorsement of the loan plan, saying it was favored by former Secretary of State Knox. Bryan gave these emissaries no satisfaction.

It is understood the cabinet discussed the advisability of recognizing the new Chinese republic headed by President Shi Kai.

Welcome for Bryan.

Springfield, Ill., March 18.—Secretary Bryan was given an enthusiastic welcome when he addressed a session at noon. The Nebraska insisted that he spoke as an individual and not as a government official. Bryan advised the legislators to stand by party pledges in the election of two United States senators. He also praised Governor Duane's administration, declaring that some times he had never hoped to see the day of triumph for progressive principles.

PAYING THE FIDDLER AS THE DANCE IS OVER

Diggs and Caminetti Face White Slavery Charge—Girls Must Tell Their Story.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Sacramento, Cal., March 18.—With the transfer of the cases of Maury I. Diggs and Drew Caminetti from the county court of Sacramento to the federal court, on charges of violation of the Mann white slave law, comes a new complication.

Marsha Warrington and Lola Norris the society girls with whom the two young married men eloped, and with whom they were caught in Reno, will now have to tell the whole story of their shame in open court. Had Diggs and Caminetti been tried under the state laws for wife desertion, and contributing to the dependency of their minor children, the girls would have been spared the humiliation of public confession. Their own cases, the charge of being delinquent minors, are before the local juvenile court, and the girls are at liberty under \$1000 bonds.

Diggs and Caminetti today are still in the county jail, awaiting the arrival of federal deputies with warrants for their removal to Stockton, where they will be arraigned before a United States commissioner. The deputies were expected about noon.

The two men have declined offers of bail, preferring to remain in jail rather than face public indignation. They are frankly afraid of violence at the hands of the fathers of the two girls whose lives they had ruined.

Neither Miss Warrington nor her girl friend have left their homes since their return Saturday night.

GOVERNOR INSISTS ON WORK BEING DONE

Governor West has received letters of commendation and encouragement from Henry Waldo Cox, of Portland, and J. E. Sawhill, an official of the Central Oregon Development League, at Bend, on his policy relative to the development of the Columbia Southern irrigation project.

Governor West is determined that the state shall develop the big project, and that the construction work shall begin without delay. He believes that if it is left for the federal government to take action the construction of the project will be delayed indefinitely, particularly when the shortage of funds in the reclamation service is taken into consideration.

Messrs. Cox and Sawhill hold the same opinion. The former says in his communication to the governor that the idea of allowing the government to develop the project reminds him of the lines read by Dante over the gates of hell: "Abandon hope, all ye who enter here."

FILE COMPLAINT AGAINST COMPANY

E. C. Minton and P. L. Frazier, members of the firm known as the Salem Construction Co., have filed a complaint with the State Railroad Commission against the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.

The company has notified the firm that after March 17 it is unable to furnish the company with power for its motors on its gravel works, at the rate that has heretofore prevailed. It is claimed by the company that this is an account of new ratings demanded by the commission. The matter will be investigated by the commission.

Boys Killed the Conductor.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Belleville, Ill., March 18.—Shot by Theodore Adams, aged 13, and Barrett Collins, aged 16, who fired through his carboose as it rolled by, C. S. Brunwell, conductor of a freight train on the Southern Pacific is dead here today. The boys are under arrest.

CITY COUNCIL HAS A BUSY SESSION

Discovers it is Legal to Raise City Attorney's Salary But Not to Lower It.

ACTS IN WATER MATTER

Appoints Committee to Arrange Terms for Talking Over the Present Plant.

As a special committee composed of members of the city council and of citizens from outside that body to enter into negotiations with the Salem Water, Power & Light Co., for an agreement on terms for the transfer of the water plant to the city, Mayor Steeves, at the council meeting last night, announced the appointment of W. T. Rigdon, chairman, E. C. Minton, W. L. Cunningham, from the council, and Legene S. Barnes and R. J. Hendricks, from the outside. These members to choose a sixth member.

An agreement which has been entered into with the company provides that each party shall procure the services of a competent engineer to make an estimate of the physical valuation of the plant, the two to choose a third engineer if it is found that the two are unable to agree on an estimate.

Rigdon Reluctant.

Alderman Rigdon took the chairmanship of the committee reluctantly. Mayor Steeves insisted that he take that position on the committee because the alderman without doubt knows more about the long standing affair between the city and the water company than any other person in Salem. He was a special committee of one named by Mayor Lauchman, during his administration, to deal with the company, and while serving in that capacity held a series of meetings in all part of the city to ascertain the will of the people in regard to the methods of procuring the plant, whether by arbitration or condemnation. While the meetings were not wholly successful because of the lack of interest displayed by the people, the sentiment shown was inclined toward arbitration, though neither Alderman Rigdon nor Mayor Lauchman favored that method, preferring condemnation instead. After this sentiment was shown by the people Alderman Rigdon entered into negotiations with the company for arbitration. Engineers were chosen, but a combination of circumstances forced the dropping of the plans, and the matter was not taken up again until the incoming of the present administration.

Approve Attorney's Raise. An opinion from the attorney-general was produced last night by the committee on accounts and current expenses purporting to show that the raise in the salary of City Attorney Page from \$1200 to \$1500 was legal in every respect. Along with this report the committee recommended that further consideration of the Jones resolution, declaring void the ordinance providing the raise be indefinitely postponed. This was done through the adoption of the report. The opinion of the attorney-general declared that an ordinance of the city could not be made void by a resolution. City Attorney Page declined to make a ruling on the ordinance.

County Granted Privilege.

Upon motion by Alderman Stolz, chairman of the street committee, the courtesy of the floor was last night granted to County Judge Bushey, who asked the council for a grant of privilege for the county to use the streets for a steam hauling outfit which is to be purchased by the county. Permission was granted on condition that the Buffalo Pits Co., the firm from which the outfit is to be purchased, guarantees that the machinery will not injure the streets. This was agreed to by a representative of the company who was present. The motion granting the privilege also provided that the city street commissioner shall designate what streets are to be used by the outfit.

The county will buy a 24,500 pound traction engine and five 10-ton cars for hauling gravel on road work. It was argued that the "grinders" or plates on the wheels of the drive wheels of the engine are so arranged and shaped that they will not injure hard surface paving. To substantiate this claim telegrams were read from city officials at North Yakima and Medford stating that the engines had been used on streets in those cities without injury to the paving.

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