

BALKAN WAR TO BE STOPPED BY POWERS

Sir Edward Grey and Premier Asquith Intimate an Agreement.

FIRST ACT AT SCUTARI

Montenegro and Serbia Will Be Told to Recall Their Armies.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. LONDON, March 26.—Important statements by Premier Asquith and Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Minister, in the House of Commons last night confirm the expectation that the Powers are about to call a halt on the war in the Balkans.

Mr. Asquith declared that Europe regards a continuance of this struggle as an absolutely purposeless thing and that it would be merely a prolongation of useless slaughter.

The statements by these two men do not permit any doubt of an agreement between the Powers to insist on the acceptance of the terms on which they have decided that peace should be concluded.

The first step is expected to be a courteous but unmistakable one to Serbia and Montenegro to recall their armies from Albania, including of course from the neighborhood of Scutari.

This will be a bitter pill for Montenegro, which will be forced to abandon a siege which has cost the lives and health of a large proportion of her population and which seems of late to be so near success.

But it seems that when the three days truce which the Montenegrians allowed on Tuesday in order to give the civilian population a chance to leave the place have passed the victory will be snatched from them.

It remains to be seen whether the popular indignation which, according to Vienna reports, is burning against the king and the royal family for dragging the country into a useless enterprise will break out then, and, as reported from the same source, drive the Petrovitch dynasty from the throne of the mountain kingdom.

Meantime there has been a sudden revival of military activity at Adrianople and Thohatalia. Such details of the movements about the former place as have been received come only from Sofia and Belgrade, and independent confirmation of reports of the success of the allies is entirely lacking. The fighting is represented as having been the most severe that has yet occurred.

Still less is known of the alleged fighting about Thohatalia, but despatches from Constantinople describe it as having been very severe throughout Monday and Tuesday. It is said there were great losses on both sides.

Paris, March 26.—A despatch printed here says that Hassan Riza Bey, the defender of Scutari, has been murdered by Malissore tribesmen.

GREEKS TAKE GERMAN SHIP.

The Iriniargat Was Taking Supplies to Turkish Coast.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. ATHENS, March 25.—The Greek destroyer Terax has captured the German steamship Iriniargat, which was chartered by Turkey to supply the cruiser Hamidieh with stores and ammunition.

The wireless operator of the Terax caught the calls of the Iriniargat, which was seeking the Hamidieh. She put on full speed to the latitude indicated by the Iriniargat and seized the vessel.

Italy Sends Supplies to Scutari.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. BRINDISI, March 25.—The Government has sent orders here for a steamship to take provisions, clothing and medicine to San Giovanni di Medun, thence to be transferred to steamers on the Boina River to go with doctors and nurses to Scutari.

KING'S BODY AT ATHENS TO-DAY.

Queentries to Follow Gun Carriage but Faints.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. ATHENS, March 25.—The Greek warship Amphitrite, escorted by the warships of the Powers, is expected to arrive at Piræus to-morrow afternoon from Salonica with the body of King George.

Great preparations have been made for receiving the body with appropriate honors. All the buildings along the sea front have been draped in black and a platform decorated with the national colors has been erected for the disembarkation of the body.

The funeral has been postponed until April 2, to allow time for foreign missions to arrive.

It is said that the widowed Queen Olga tried to follow the gun carriage on which the body was placed at Salonica, but fainted. Her son King Constantine caught her and carried her to an ambulance.

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Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. ATHENS, March 25.—The infant Don Carlos will represent King Alfonso at the funeral of King George of Greece in Athens.

WAR TALK BY FRENCH PREMIER.

Congress's Life at Stake, He Says—Gets Vote of Confidence.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. PARIS, March 25.—Premier Barthou, in urging the adoption of the system of four years service in the army and other military and naval measures in the Chamber of Deputies to-day, said that the life of the country is at stake and no compromise is possible.

He laid stress on the necessity of following the opinion of the Superior Council of War in strengthening the national defence. The declaration was received.

The new Ministry was given a vote of confidence by 225 yeas to 182 nays. The Premier's policies included electoral reforms, secular education and an income tax.

ROCKEFELLER, JR. AT PANAMA.

Guest of Col. Gorgan at Luncheon—Takes Automobile Trip.

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POPE WELL ENOUGH TO SAY MASS TO-DAY

May Resume Audiences Soon to Contradict Reports of Serious Illness.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. ROME, March 25.—It is announced semi-officially that the Pope will celebrate mass in his private chapel to-morrow and will give communion to the members of his household.

A similar announcement was made on the eve of Easter Sunday, but the doctors would not allow him to celebrate mass on Easter, and hence it is thought that the present promise, like the former, is not likely to materialize.

Notwithstanding the improvement in the Pope's condition, no precautions are being neglected. The physicians still visit him frequently. Dr. Marchisava called three times to-day.

The Pope's entourage is anxious to hasten the resumption of audiences and thus to publicly contradict the reports of the Pope's serious illness, which is causing uneasiness all over the world.

They are anxious, therefore, that the doctors should allow the Pontiff to appear in the throne room as soon as possible and bless many pilgrims who are now awaiting audiences.

The Vatican is being deluged with telegrams from Cardinals, Bishops and other ecclesiastics asking for news as to the Pope's condition. The replies sent are invariably optimistic. The Pontiff's condition has really improved in the last few days and the hopeful feeling is based on this change for the better.

NO VILLA FOR D'ANNUNZIO.

Author Won't Accept Gift Offered by His Native Town.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. ROME, March 25.—Replying to an offer from the people of his native town of Pescara, tendering him a beautiful villa on the seashore where he played in his boyhood days, Gabriele D'Annunzio, the author, telegraphed from Paris as follows:

"I do not require either worldly or spiritual presents. I am perfectly satisfied with myself and live where I like in houses chosen by myself."

The townsfolk were chagrined on receiving this answer. A committee has been formed in Pescara to present D'Annunzio with a gold medal and to try to induce him to return to Italy.

EARTHQUAKE FELT AT NAPLES.

Eruption May Follow Rumbling From Mount Vesuvius.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. NAPLES, March 25.—A sharp earthquake shock was felt here to-day. It was accompanied by rumblings from Mount Vesuvius. The observatory expects a renewal of activity by Vesuvius.

FLASHES FROM THE CABLE.

PANAMA.—A transaction has just been completed between the Panama Government and an English syndicate for the construction of a new \$1,000,000 hotel to accommodate 500 visitors.

PARIS.—A new world's balloon record for distance has been made by René Rumpelmayer, who has just completed a successful flight from Paris to a point near Khar'kov, European Russia. The distance travelled was 2,400 kilometers (approximately 1,492 miles).

AMOI.—Renewed revolutionary disturbances broke out at Chaon-an in the southernmost part of the province of Fukien. The Government forces stationed there are not sufficiently strong to control the situation.

MANILA.—Gansico, the Filipino who was recently arrested on a charge of stealing military plans of the Corridor fortifications, was found guilty and sentenced to serve a nine months in prison.

HONOLULU.—Lars Anderson, retiring United States Ambassador at Tokyo, who arrived here yesterday, declared there was no foundation to reports that Japan would not exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in 1915.

HARVARD TRUST FUND FORMED.

Donors May Make Gifts and Get 5 Per Cent. Until Death.

Boston, March 25.—The recording of a trust deed here discloses the creation of a system that ultimately will mean millions of dollars to Harvard University. There has been formed the Harvard Mutual Foundation, to which any persons desiring to leave their money or property to the college may make donations now.

The trustees will invest the funds, pay 5 per cent. of the income to the giver or his heirs during their lifetime and at their death turn over the principal to the university. Already a fund of about \$250,000 is accrued.

The trustees named are Charles Francis Adams 2d, Thomas Nelson Perkins, Arthur Lyman, George Uriel Crocker, John Candler Cobb, Alexander H. Ladd and Charles H. W. Foster.

WOODED BRIDE NEATH OLIVES.

Contessa Chiodi Comes Over Sea to Wed Boston Importer.

CORNWALLIS-WEST PLAY OPENS TO-NIGHT

London Interested in "The Bill," Which Has Premier in Glasgow.

ABOUT THE SUFFRAGISTS

Reflects Tone of British Political Life and Speaks Plainly.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 25.—To-morrow night will show whether or not the Glasgow Repertory Theatre has robbed London first nighters of a thrill by securing Mrs. George Cornwallis-West's four act comedy, "The Bill," for the first performance.

As every one knows, Mrs. Cornwallis-West was formerly Lady Randolph Churchill and before that Jennie Jerome of New York. Just at present she is going through the technicalities of securing a divorce on the ground of desertion.

London playgoers are immensely interested in the production, for a political play written by the wife of a former Chancellor of the Exchequer and the mother of the first Lord of the Admiralty is a novelty, quite apart from the interesting personality of the author.

The piece, as cabled some time ago, is concerned with a universal suffrage bill and the conversations of the characters in the cast reflect very truly the tone of British political life with which Mrs. Cornwallis-West has been so long connected. The play, however, is not a political play in the sense of having a propagandist purpose. It is a study of character and social conditions.

John Lawson, the Radical President of the Local Government Board, is the promoter of "The Bill," and the plot of the play is provided by the flirtation of his daughter-in-law, Lady Corsanide, with a Radical baronet, who is inclined to head a revolt against the bill.

Lady Corsanide, by the way, indulges in some plain speaking about politicians, among other things declaring that statesmen remind her of the famous picture of two monks laughing heartily over their dupes. She has somewhat of an excuse for her flirtation in the fact that her husband devotes himself so strenuously to politics that he neglects her, but she is never in earnest with the amorous baronet and when he writes her compromising letters she becomes very angry.

The Radical baronet also becomes angry in a short time because Lady Corsanide leaves a letter lying about her desk and it is secured by Lawson's wife, an ambitious but vulgar woman, who uses it to keep the baronet true to the party ties. Mrs. Lawson's intrigues, however, fail to secure the passage of the bill.

In the fourth act the final speeches and the noise of the division are heard from the Ladies Gallery of the House of Commons, from which Mr. Lawson comes and predicts that, although the bill is then beaten, it must be accepted some day.

A perusal of the play creates the impression that the author agrees with the words she puts in the mouth of Lady Corsanide, that "people with money get their own way, no matter who may have the votes."

CLEANUP BEGINS IN SIX DAYS.

Boy Scouts Will Scour the Town for Offensive Rubbish.

"Look out for the Scouts!" bids fair to supplant "Clean up!" as the watchword when Gen. Led's army starts its advance on untidiness on April 1.

The official commission of the Department of Health to the Boy Scouts of America was on view yesterday preparatory to being sent to the various companies in the city. It authorizes the scouts to spot anything from a pot of flowers unattached to a window sill down to defunct cats and dogs in the gutters. Automobile smoke, too, and a stray can on the vacant lot the owner may not have seen for years—all these things will become matters of report as outlined in the commission bearing gold seals and an important looking sign like any regular army order. Many of the items down as violations probably have never been heard of before by the average resident.

"Don't spit there!" may be the stern command behind you, or "You know you can't throw your cigar stubs there!" It is said that the wise ones about town are studying the instructions thus placed in the hands of the boys.

"Show this commission to any person who authorizes to any person anything in your right to perform police duty as above outlined," the paper says. "Report to the Department of Health through your superior officer any of these violations." With the rules as given the Scouts may keep tabs on almost anybody.

QUECDONZOICH TOO MUCH.

Court Officer Nearly Collapses Uttering Prisoner's Name.

Joseph Lee, who stands on the bridge in the Essex Market court and calls out the names of prisoners and complainants, nearly fell off yesterday when he tried to utter the sounds that would bring Derman Quecdonzoich to the bar.

Magistrate Corriean saw that Lee was trying to say something, but when he began to sway and almost fell the Magistrate called to another court officer to see what was the matter with him. Finally Lee staggered out with the name of Detective Finn, who had arrested the prisoner, and regained his equilibrium in the nick of time.

Quecdonzoich is wanted in Chicago on the charge of stealing silk from a department store where he was a porter. He was sent to the Tombs pending Gov. Sulzer's action as to extradition.

Wells Alumni at Luncheon.

The Eastern Association of Wells College held its thirtieth annual reunion and luncheon at Sherry's yesterday. The guest of honor and speaker was Harry Allen Overstreet, professor of philosophy, College of the City of New York. Among those at the guest table were Miss Edna R. Brown, presiding; Mrs. Pitts, dean of the college; Prof. Robert McElroy of Princeton, N. J., trustee, and Prof. and Mrs. Thomas Judd Treaton. Mrs. Preston was Mrs. Grover Cleveland.

DOCTORS URGE DRESS REFORM.

Latest Styles Spread White Plague. Says Congress at Rome.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. ROME, March 25.—The congress of physicians which is in session here and which is inquiring into the causes of tuberculosis has resolved to petition the king to the effect that for many years past the fashions in dress have contributed to the great increase in consumption and that some international arrangement is necessary to arrest the progress of the disease.

The congress is preparing a report on the subject for presentation to the government.

NAMES PEAKS FOR KING GEORGE.

American Woman Explorer Gets His Consent for Christening.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. LONDON, March 25.—Mrs. Fanny Bull-Workman, the American mountain climber, has got the King's consent to name the cluster of high peaks at the top of the Rose glacier in the Himalayas, which she explored in 1912, the "King George V" group.

She will also name one of the highest mountains "Hardinge" in honor of Viscount Hardinge, the Viceroy of India.

SIR RUFUS ISAACS ADMITS STOCK DEAL.

Bought Wireless Shares With Lloyd George and Master of Elibank.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. LONDON, March 25.—There was a rush for seats to-day at the Parliamentary inquiry into the dealings of Sir Rufus Isaacs, the Attorney-General, David Lloyd George and the Master of Elibank, chief Liberal whip, with a wireless company negotiating a big contract with the Government.

Sir Rufus said on the stand that up to the time of signing the agreement for an empire wireless chain March 7, 1912, he had never been interested in any Marconi company. He said that when his brother returned from America last year he said that he had a lot of American shares and offered him some.

He took 10,000 at \$10 a share after his brother told him the American company was not connected with the British one. He let Lloyd George and the Master of Elibank have 1,000 shares apiece at \$10 a share.

He said that when the price went up he sold 3,570 shares at an average of \$16.62, but that his loss on the whole transaction was \$5,500.

He admitted that the deal had not been a wise one, but that he had never considered it would be regarded as corrupt.

SEVEN PICKED TO TRY MAYOR.

Hard to Get Jurymen Who Hadn't Opinions as to Libel Charge.

Efforts to get a jury yesterday to try the \$100,000 libel suit brought by Alderman Henry H. Curran against Mayor Gaynor resulted in the examination of twenty-three takersmen, of whom seven were accepted. Of the sixteen excused the majority were challenged by Stephen C. Baldwin, counsel for the Mayor, because they said they had read newspapers and had formed opinions that it would take much testimony to remove. In each case the takersman seemed to have formed opinions concerning the Mayor, and after Mr. Baldwin had used up his six peremptory challenges he was obliged to accept a card game that they couldn't get over their opinions.

The seven accepted were: William Carr, clerk, 121 West Eighty-first street.

Albert Seath, shoe merchant, 2673 Third avenue.

Morris Orbach, moving pictures, 594 East 135th street.

Isidor I. Heller, waist manufacturer, 598 Riverside Drive.

Fischer Lewine, real estate dealer, 116 East Seventy-eighth street.

Kaufman Sasserath, real estate dealer, 1900 Lenox avenue.

Mayor Gaynor was not at the opening of the trial, but Alderman Curran sat with his attorneys. The Appellate Term room, the largest in the court house, was so crowded that the doors were barred.

The case will last all the week and probably longer, and it was intimated yesterday that night sessions may be held to hurry it along.

CITY JOTTINGS.

Thomas Hardeson, a saloon keeper at 13 West Thirtieth street, and his wife, Mrs. Hardeson, were arrested yesterday in their rooms. Gas escaped from a burner accidentally.

Raphael Tora, a blacksmith, of 21 Richardson street, Williamsburg, was shot in the right arm yesterday in a pistol fight with another Italian following a card game at 195 Skillman avenue, Williamsburg.

Thomas M. Carroll, proprietor of the Hotel Hamilton, Forty-second street, and Seamus Carroll, 42 West Twenty-second street, were arrested by an order of Supreme Court Justice Bijur.

A man who gave his name as Major Frank B. Barrett, Second Field Artillery, U. S. Army, and addressed as 53 Central Park West, was fined \$2 in the Harlem police court yesterday morning for driving his automobile on the wrong side of the road.

For the first time in many years a petty farcey case came up in the County Court in Brooklyn yesterday when George Kennedy of 147 Tenth street pleaded guilty before Judge Fawcett.

Supreme Court Justice Marcus dismissed yesterday a suit for \$50,000 damages brought against Loring Tonkin, a Cornell student, by John Ernest Wadleigh for alienating the affections of Mrs. Eva Wadleigh.

SYLVIA PANKHURST TELLS OF JAIL FARE

Describes Her Self-Inflicted Sufferings and the Pump Feedings.

CALLS DOCTORS COWARDS

Secretary McKenna Offers Bill for Rearrest of Hunger Strikers.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 25.—Sylvia Pankhurst, the younger daughter of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, who has just been released from Holloway jail, where she was serving a sentence for window smashing, and who is now in a nursing home recuperating from the effects of her hunger strike, has issued a long statement as to her sufferings in prison.

She exploits her self-inflicted sufferings and tells a story about the pump feeding which she had to undergo, which is intended to harrow tender hearts.

Her story contains some characteristic feminine touches. The favorite taunt of the militant suffragettes of male cowardice is directed at the jail wardens, who after the women wardens "came stealing in," she says, "for they had not the courage to show themselves until I was securely held."

Political aspirations are evidently no proof against female vanity, for Sylvia says that when she was told that her eyes were bloodshot and she had no mirror she "managed by a little contrivance" to see herself in a reflector behind the gas.

The young woman's descriptions of forcing open her mouth and inserting a rag between her teeth contain nothing new. She adds, however, that she fought herself into a state of exhaustion.

"I walked rapidly up and down the cell until the doctors came and fed me. Afterward I went on again finding myself across and across from wall to wall. I walked on through the night and finally grew so weak that I only tottered. I kept this up for twenty-eight hours that I might quiet myself."

Miss Pankhurst says that she then asked to see the Governor of Holloway. As a result of her interview with him she promised to take a cup of liquid food at night and morning pending an application to the Home Office for her pardon, but as the days passed without any action she thought she had been tricked and started another hunger strike. She was released the next day.

Sylvia tells about seeing Zelle Emerson, the American girl who is serving a term for window smashing, exercising in the prison garden. She says: "I could hardly believe it was Miss Emerson, as her figure had so changed that she did not seem to be half her usual size."

Home Secretary McKenna's bill providing for the rearrest of women hunger strikers after they have recovered was introduced in the House of Commons to-night.

A woman suffrage bill framed by a radical committee will be presented in the House early in April. It has received the approval of the members of the cabinet who favor woman suffrage. It is drawn up on lines similar to the previous measure introduced by Mr. Dickinson, chairman of the London Liberal Association, and he will probably introduce the new bill.

It enfranchises women who if they were men would have the right to vote—that is, with the property qualification. It also grants the franchise to women who would have the right to vote. No women under 25 are to be allowed to vote.

Many Unionist members of the House who favor woman suffrage consider this measure too extreme. They prefer the old "conciliation" bill, which gives all women taxpayers the right to vote, which will be again introduced. The Labor party leaders are also framing a woman's suffrage bill.

BOGUS GUARD ROBS A TRAIN.

Wore Interborough Uniform a Year and Stole Fixtures.

Why a subway train was stopped four months ago was told in Special Sessions for the first time yesterday when John Fornby, 23 years old, of 352 East 134th street, was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary by Justices Herrman, Duell and McInerney.

H. F. Beakie, chief of the Interborough secret service, has been looking for the man for a year. Mysterious losses of subway fixtures by theft had multiplied.

Fornby was arrested last Friday for removing a door check from the Astor place station and pleaded guilty, but the unique record the Interborough detectives managed to get against him counted in his sentence.

"You see him dressed as an Interborough guard with a badge on his cap," said Lawyer J. S. Moulton indignantly. "Your Honors, that costume was stolen from a circuit house in Brooklyn."

"With it we find that he flagged a subway train four months ago, told the guards to bring out all the fire extinguishers, and when to stop the train for him to get off with them. We traced these and many others to people who had bought them, but have never been able to catch the man until this case."

The lawyer said that the prisoner had operated for years to the knowledge of the detective force. The clothes he wore belonged to E. W. Peterson, a regular guard in Brooklyn. The badge in his hat was taken from a circuit house at Second avenue and Twenty-third street.

It was shown that Fornby was accustomed to go in and out of circuit houses where the men have lockers and was always thought to be regularly employed.

WHEELER ESTATE \$1,400,000.

Sewing Machine Pioneer. Dead at 76. Left No Will.

John Wilson Wheeler, a pioneer sewing machine manufacturer, who established the business which he developed into the New Home Sewing Machine Company and who died at Grange, Mass., left an estate of \$1,400,000. The appraisal filed here yesterday shows that the estate is held liable for \$172,518 on notes endorsed by Mr. Wheeler, one of which was for \$111,000 executed by the Boston Securities Company, of which he was a president.

Grand Wheeler was a resident of East 72d St., bet. Lexington and 3d Aves., East Houston St., cor. Essex St.

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