

SCUTARIA WILL BE ABANDONED BY AUSTRILIANS

King Nicholas of Montenegro is Withdrawing Into the Interior of Albania With His Army of Men.

TWO VICTORIES WON SAYS ROME DISPATCHES

Austrians Forced to Abandon Attack Until Reinforcements Arrive—Royal Family in Italy.

International News Service: PARIS, Jan. 22.—King Nicholas of Montenegro, has abandoned hope of defending Scutari against the Austro-Hungarians and is withdrawing into the interior of Albania with his troops, according to a dispatch from Rome.

International News Service: ROME, Jan. 22.—Montenegro's little army, now under command of Gen. Martinovitch, has administered a severe defeat to two Austro-Hungarian corps at Berac, it was officially announced here today. The Austrian troops have received reinforcements, however, and it is feared that the Montenegro forces will have to retire toward Albania.

The Montenegrin leaders selected Berac as the spot at which to make their final stand. The Austro-Hungarian assault began as soon as Montenegro had rejected the peace terms offered by Austria. From the heights about Berac the Montenegrins poured a destructive fire upon the Austrians whose losses are said to have been enormous.

On Thursday evening the Austro-Hungarians were compelled to abandon their attack, but they received reinforcements during the night and resumed the assault Friday morning.

All the women members of the Montenegrin royal family are now in Italy, but are proceeding to Lyons, France, where the Montenegrin government will be established. Queen Milena and Princesses Vera and Natalie passed the night in Rome, but left this morning for Lyons. Queen Helena of Italy, daughter of Queen Milena and sister of the princesses, accompanied the royal fugitives as far as Pisa.

The young Italian crown prince was taken to the station to greet his grandmother and aunts and was then sent back to the palace.

AUTO SHOW IS OPENED

Associated Press Service: CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The 16th national annual automobile show was opened at noon today in the Coliseum with hundreds of dealers, prospective buyers and casual visitors filling the two wide aisles between the exhibits. This year's show is the largest and costliest automobile display ever staged. Visitors declared that it eclipsed the recent exposition in New York.

PUBLICITY MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—How to comply with the demand of the senate for all information concerning the Mexican situation in the department's files and at the same time prevent serious complications through making the data public is seriously embarrassing Sec'y of State Lansing. Included in the matter on file in the department which the senate wants are many confidential reports.

These speak in the very frankest language of Mexican leaders, Carranza, Obregon, Pablo Gonzales and nearly every member of the present provisional government. In most instances the references are none too complimentary. Publication of these reports is certain to end the usefulness of a number of American consular agents and also may result in a serious straining of the present friendly relations between the Carranza government and the United States.

The details concerning Americans and other foreigners who have been killed, wounded and robbed in Mexico are also certain to cause trouble by further inflaming public sentiment and furnishing the advocates of intervention with new arguments. The exact number of Americans who have lost their lives in Mexico since the overthrow of the elder Diaz has always been a subject of controversy, but it was learned today that the list is even larger than has been believed while the record of losses through looting of American properties is an amazingly long one.

WILL DIRECT CITY'S INDUSTRIAL PAGEANT



F. I. HARDY.

FLOATS TO SHOW LOCAL GROWTH

F. I. Hardy is Appointed Director of Pageant to be Held in June.

F. I. Hardy, superintendent of transportation of the Northern Indiana Railway Co., was Saturday appointed director of the industrial pageant of the Indiana centennial and South Bend semi-centennial celebration in June. He has been given full power to name his assistants and go ahead with all arrangements for his part of the program.

Mr. Hardy, as chairman of the industrial committee of the Chamber of Commerce, has become deeply interested in affairs pertaining to factories. It is probable that some of his assistants will be selected from members of his committee to help with the work of getting every industry in the county to take part in the big pageant.

Every factory in the county is to be included in the industrial end of the centennial celebration. Factories in Mishawaka, North Liberty, Lakeville, New Carlisle, Granger and Walkerton and all parts of the county as well as South Bend, are expected to have floats in the parade. Farm and mercantile industries will have places in the pageant.

According to present plans, the parade will show the growth of industry in St. Joseph county. The floats will represent the early work from the time when it was done in the home and down to the present.

SAYS WIFE IS USING SUPPORT MONEY

Robert E. Cornell Files Petition Asking For Reduction in Alimony.

In 1912 Robert E. Cornell and Cora Cornell were divorced in the circuit court. The husband was ordered to pay \$27 per month for the support of the four children born of the union, which were given to the custody of the mother. In June, 1913, this order of the court was modified so that the husband was to pay but \$19 per month for the support of the children.

Now the husband has petitioned the court for a further modification of the order and the custody of the children on the grounds that the mother has remarried and that the support money is not being used for the support of the children, but for the support of the husband and herself. The petition also asks for the custody of the children, who range in age from four to 14 years.

WILLIAMS IS ENTERED

Tom Williams, present county commissioner from the middle or South Bend district, has filed his declaration of becoming a candidate for county commissioner on the democratic ticket subject to the primaries of March 7. He has been in office but two years.

Dr. D. W. McNamara of Warren township has also filed his petition as a candidate for coroner subject to the democratic primaries on March 7.

While Want-Ads for insertion in the Sunday News-Times will be accepted for classification until 9 p. m. tonight, try to get them all in this office by 6 P. M. Today Phone Bell 2100. Home 1151 and ask for an ad-taker.

LIGHT RATES TO BE READY BY FEBRUARY

Local Electric Company Agrees to Reduce Its Revenues \$45,000—Report to be Submitted Jan. 31.

SEVEN AND HALF CENTS TO BE FINAL DECISION

State Engineers Are to Assist in Work—Small Consumers Will be Benefited.

News-Times Special Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 22.—After a conference of the Indiana public utility commissioners Friday afternoon, Chairman Thomas Duncan announced to the representatives of the Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. and its representatives of the cities of South Bend and Elkhart and large electric power users that the commission would ratify an agreement as to rates for that company based on an annual reduction of \$45,000 of the present revenues of the company.

Representatives of the company accepted the proposal. Mr. Duncan, speaking for the commission, indicated that the various rate proposals of schedules laid before the commission were unsatisfactory. A request was made that the special engineers and experts of the company and the cities meet in Indianapolis, and proposed that, under the direction of the commission, they work out a schedule. The scale will be on the same active room basis as proposed in the 8-1-4-cent rate turned down by the commission.

Rate of 7-1-2 Cents. The basis of the rates, it was announced, was to be 7-1-2 cents a kilowatt hour for the small consumers. The company accepted this proposition.

It was also announced that the state would have one of its expert engineers in the rate-making work, in which the \$45,000 reduction will be distributed. This work will be done at once and a report and schedule is to be submitted to the commission and all others concerned a week from next Monday for ratification.

It is likely that \$25,000 of the \$45,000 reduction will be given to small consumers and the remaining \$20,000 distributed between commercial and power users.

LAD TAKES POISON

Tries to End All When Arrested For Theft.

International News Service: CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Joe Benness, 12 years old, did not appear in juvenile court today. He lay dying in the county hospital. Joe was arrested for stealing a purse from Miss Edna Harris, a pianist in a neighborhood theater. He took poison last night rather than face the court.

KEEP ON A'COUGHING

That's the Way to Become a Barton, Says Doctor.

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—By repeatedly coughing and clearing the throat a person with a falsetto voice may change it to baritone if he persists in the treatment, declared Dr. Frank M. Hallock, of Cornell university medical school.

SLIDE POSTPONED.

International News Service: GARY, Ill., Jan. 22.—The Sunday tournament of the Norge Ski club on the Gary slide is indefinitely postponed. The two days' rain washed away all the snow and caused \$400 damage to the club's house and the hill.

ITALIAN CABINET IN BREAK SAYS DISPATCH

International News Service: AMSTERDAM, Jan. 22.—The Neue Zurichcher Nachrichten announces that it has received definite information that the Italian cabinet has resigned and that Premier Salandra has been succeeded by Signor Luzzatti.

No hint that the Italian cabinet was near collapse has reached America. If the statement of the Zurich newspaper is correct the Italian censor has apparently kept the situation closely guarded.

FIRE ON BOARD MUNITION SHIP RUSSIA BOUND

Synga With Morse Signal Lamps Flashing Repeated Calls For Assistance Reaches New York.

FIRE DEPARTMENTS RUSH TO SHIP'S AID

Little Information as to Nature of Flames is Secured. Vessel's Operator is Not Communicative.

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—With fire raging in her No. 1 hold forward and with her Morse signal lamps flashing repeated calls for assistance, the 4,000-ton Norwegian steamship Synga, filled with munitions of war and bound for Vladivostok, Russia, sped up to quarantine early this morning and anchored. Fireboats from Brooklyn and Manhattan were sent to her assistance.

The Synga, commanded by Capt. Meyers, halted early yesterday from the Bush docks, South Brooklyn. At 3:50 o'clock this morning observers at quarantine saw the vessel coming back up the Narrows, flying signals of distress. She anchored 200 yards out in the stream and immediately the signal lamps on her bridge began flashing out the calls for aid. The messages read:

Calls For Assistance. "Fire in No. 1 hold. Notify Norton, Lilly & Co., and also Norwegian consul. Give us assistance." Telephone messages were sent to the offices of the steamship company and to Brooklyn fire headquarters.

The big fireboat Seth Low put out from South Brooklyn and sped down the bay. From the fireboat's searchlights it could be seen that the crew of the Synga was closing all hatches and flooding the forward compartments of the vessel, in which the fire was burning, with live steam in an effort to smother the flames. No smoke or fire could be seen.

The Seth Low drew alongside the Synga ready to pour thousands of gallons of water into her hold should the steam prove unable to master the fire. Deputy Chief Worth of the fire department, was notified and hurried down the Narrows in his fire auxiliary, the Yelox, to take charge of the fire fight.

Have No Information. Although land operators tried to get further information from the ship's operators, all information was refused.

At the offices of Norton, Lilly & Co., the agent who chartered the vessel, stated that no information regarding the fire had been received there save the first bulletin from Quarantine.

The Synga is a vessel of 3,881 tons, of steel construction, built in Christiania in 1907. She is 260 feet long, 52 feet beam and draught 25 feet.

LINTON TO STAY WET

Regular Battle Over Liquor Question is Staged.

International News Service: LINTON, Ind., Jan. 22.—Linton was recovering today from a riotous wet and dry election. It resulted in a victory for the wets by a majority of 112 votes and many bruised heads.

FREEZE IS DUE.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The United States weather bureau extended hope today to the flood-swept portions of northern Illinois. Freezing temperature, which, it is hoped, will check the rising water, is due to strike there this evening.

SHIP ARRIVES.

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Running into a hurricane last Sunday in which the waves piled up 75 feet high and the wind blew 100 miles an hour, the American liner New York arrived here today from Liverpool two days overdue. The liner lost four of her lifeboats and two collapsible life rafts, four of her firemen were injured, passengers were thrown from their berths and a number of staterooms flooded.

PAY INCREASED.

International News Service: ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 22.—About 2,000 shophmen of the Delaware and Hudson railroad between this city and Scranton, Pa., have been granted an increase of one cent an hour to take effect Feb. 1. The business totals about \$120,000 a year.

Harvard Recruits Get New Uniforms



The ranks of the regiment being organized at Harvard university, Cambridge, Mass., are rapidly filling up, and when the boys begin to parade around the campus in the nice new uniforms which have just been issued, it is thought that many more will hasten to join. The picture shows some of the members of the regiment receiving their uniforms.

YOUTH STOLE TO GET OWN CHURCH

Choir Boy is Held For Theft of \$10,000—Five Checks For Million.

International News Service: PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 22.—George F. Davis, 17 years old, choir boy at the St. Mark's Episcopal church, is in custody today, following the finding of church property valued at \$10,000 in his home. Davis is believed to have carried on a series of these at St. Mark's for the last two years.

The church is attended by many of the most prominent churchmen in the city. Five checks on the Farmers' National bank of Delaware, each of them made payable to the order of George F. Davis for \$1,000, and signed "St. Mark's church, per Davis," were found in the boy's house.

"I stole because I wanted to have a church of my own, where I could preach my own sermons," Davis told Lieut. of Detectives Emanuel.

CARRANZA PLANS TO SETTLE LAND PROBLEM

Appoints Commission to Take Up the Question of Distribution.

International News Service: QUERETARO, Mexico, Jan. 22.—Chief Executive Carranza today took the first step toward solving the land problem of Mexico, the cause of many revolutions, by appointing a national agrarian commission. This commission is to meet at once and draft a decree for the distribution of community lands, public and federal lands and timber rights.

Six months at least will be required by the commission to complete its work.

FIGHT RESULTS.

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Willy Aste shaded Young Rose in 19 rounds. Battling Henry stopped Jack Lange in the eighth round. Jimmy Murray outpointed Battling Lahn in 10 rounds.

HOUSE IN PARIS.

International News Service: PARIS, Jan. 22.—Col. E. M. House, personal representative of President Wilson, who is the guest of U. S. Ambassador Sharp, met a number of French government officials today. He declined to make any statement.

2,000 HOMELESS.

International News Service: CHRISTIANIA, Jan. 22.—The town of Molde, southwest of Christiania, has been almost completely destroyed by a fire which is still raging. More than 2,000 persons are homeless.

OFFER PEACE.

International News Service: ATHENS, Jan. 22.—Austria has offered peace terms to Serbia, according to reports received here from a reliable source.

DEATH RATE IS LOW IN NORTHERN CITIES

Fort Wayne is Only Town to Show Smaller Percentage Than South Bend.

International News Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 22.—According to the monthly report of the state board of health, made public today, 3,122 persons died in Indiana in December 1915. There were 2,842 deaths in December of the previous year. The death rate in December 1915 was 13 to each 1,000 people.

The greatest number of deaths last December was due to pneumonia which claimed 359 victims. This was 85 more than for the same month in 1914. There were 218 deaths from tuberculosis during December 1915.

The death rates for each 1,000 in the principal cities of the state during the month follow: Evansville, 13.8; Fort Wayne, 12.3; Terre Haute, 12.7; South Bend, 13.1; Muncie, 18.5; Lafayette, 22.5; Logansport, 12.2; Marion, 17.5; Indianapolis, 15.2.

According to the report, total births in Indiana for the year 1915 was 61,511. The state birth rate was 19.9 for each 1,000 population. Lake county, with a rate of 33.4, was the highest, and the lowest rate was in Brown county with 10.2.

FURTHER GRAND JURY ACTION IS EXPECTED

Cabaret Singer's Story of Uplike Plot May Result in Indictments.

International News Service: CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Further grand jury action on the case of Irving and Herbert Uplike, who plotted to murder their millionaire father, mother and sister, was anticipated today. It was hinted at the state attorney's office that new indictments would be returned as the result of the story related by Cabaret Singer, the cabaret entertainer who eloped to Crown Point, Ind., and married Herbert Uplike, the younger brother.

Assistants to State's Atty. Hoyne declined to say today whether the entertainer had been implicated in the plot to murder the Uplikes.

HAVE 27 MEN.

International News Service: NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—When the Dodgers report for spring training only 27 players will be taken to the training camp. They include 12 pitchers, four catchers, six infielders and five outfielders.

FORCED TO QUIT.

International News Service: CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Waino Ketonen, acknowledged middleweight wrestling champion, forced Louis Talabor of Chicago to quit at the end of 34 minutes last night. Talabor's wrist was dislocated.

MUNITION WORKERS WILL BE SPEEDED UP

Associated Press Service: LONDON, Jan. 22.—The urgent necessity of speeding up the supply of munitions has determined the government to put into force immediately plans for the dilution of skilled labor with semi-skilled, unskilled and female workers in all government controlled establishments.

In a statement on the subject in the house of commons, Premier Asquith announced that the government was convinced that this plan offered the only prospect of securing a sufficient supply of munitions "to enable the war to be brought to a speedy and successful conclusion."

MUCH DAMAGE IS DONE BY FLOODS

Southern Illinois Faces Most Serious Condition Known in Decade.

International News Service: CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Unless the cold wave promised for tonight arrives to check the flood waters of northern Illinois rivers and creeks, this section of the state will suffer the heaviest flood losses in its history. Hundreds of thousands of dollars of damage had already been inflicted by the floods today in Joliet, Aurora, Elgin, Lockport and many smaller cities and villages.

The Fox river near Aurora had spread over a vast area, backed up by ice gorges. Dynamite was used at Aurora and at Elgin to free the dammed up water. In Chicago street car and telephone service was nearly normal today, after being seriously crippled all of yesterday.

Chicago faced a serious situation today on account of the peril of contamination of the city's water supply. Health officials sent out warnings to all residents to boil water before using it for drinking or cooking. There was also serious danger that the rising waters would reverse the flow of water in the Chicago river and turn deadly sewage and germs into lake Michigan whence Chicago draws its water supply.

Associated Press Service: OTTAWA, Ill., Jan. 22.—Hundreds of families have been driven from their homes; many bridges have been destroyed and a number of factories are closed as the result of a flood which is sweeping through the Illinois and Fox river valleys.

Great damage has been done around Ottawa and LaSalle, Marseilles and Utica. Steven Brin, 18 years old, was drowned at LaSalle in the Vermillion river, which is far beyond its bounds. The hydro electric plant at Marseilles, which furnishes the power for the Chicago, Ottawa & Peoria, was flooded and all trains were stopped between Princeton and Joliet, a distance of 100 miles.

Twelve feet of water is in the basement of the new state armory of this city. Ottawa is in darkness and there is no street car traffic.

WATER THREE FEET DEEP. Associated Press Service: PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 22.—Water 30 feet deep is pouring down the ravine.

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The News-Times BIG SUNDAY EDITION.

Only Sunday Newspaper in Northern Indiana. Carries the News of Saturday Noon and Evening up to 2:45 O'clock Sunday morning—Local, State, National and International. Also Special Features of Interest to all readers—Comics, School Page, and Short Stories for the Children; Dostile page for the Women; Church, Books and Magazines, Theatrical, Automobile, Farm and other special sections, with numerous stories. Single Copies at News Stands 5c. With Morning or Evening Edition Daily, 12c per Week. Read the Big Paper.

VILLA TRAPPED IN MOUNTAINS NEAR PEARSON

Escape Said to be Impossible But Carranzistas Delay Attacks Until Reinforcements Arrive.

AMERICAN RANCHER IS KILLED BY MEXICANS

Crossed Border to Search For Missing Cows—Youth Who Was With Him Tells of His Escape.

International News Service: EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 22.—Francisco Villa and 200 of his followers are reported in a dispatch received here early today from Madera, to have been surrounded by pursuing Carranza soldiers in the Sierra Madre mountains, between Pearson and Galeana. The message states that the rebel leader and his men are in a strongly fortified mountain pass and that though escape is impossible, the Carranzistas will be unable to make their final attack until reinforcements arrive from Casas Grandes.

John Lawrence, a 17-year-old youth who narrowly escaped death when Bert L. Akers, an American rancher, was killed by Mexican cattle thieves yesterday afternoon, five miles east of Juarez, arrived here this morning with Texas rangers who had been sent out when news of Akers' death arrived. The boy declared that Akers was shot to death while fleeing from the cabin where the cattle thieves had been found.

Search for Two Cows. According to Lawrence, he and Akers, accompanied by a Mexican officer from the Carranza garrison in Juarez, crossed the Rio Grande at Yaleta Friday morning to search for two cows that had been stolen by Mexican cattle thieves several days before on the American side. Yaleta is 12 miles east of here. The three men, unarmed, approached a Mexican hut where the men suspected of the theft were known to be hiding.

When they knocked at the door four Mexicans appeared and demanded to know their business. At the same time eight other Mexicans appeared on the roof of the building and opened fire on the unsuspecting visitors. The Mexican officer staggered as though shot, and the two Americans made for their horses, which were hitched near by.

Horse Stumbles. As they mounted their horses a fusillade of shots followed them. They had ridden but a short distance when young Lawrence's horse stumbled and threw him in a small ditch. Akers kept on and Lawrence watched the Mexicans who were in pursuit fire at him several times.

Akers was killed while trying to escape. Lawrence was wounded in the leg.

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RUSS TO BATTER DOWN TURK FORTS

International News Service: LONDON, Jan. 22.—Grand Duke Nicholas' Russian troops are approaching the Turkish fortress of Erzerum, according to Petrograd advice received today. They are taking up artillery with which to batter down the strong forts protecting the city, the capture of which will open the way to an extensive invasion of Asia Minor, relieve the pressure on the British forces in Mesopotamia, and inaugurate an entirely new phase of the war.

By smashing the Turkish front in the Caucasus, Grand Duke Nicholas has won not only a great military success, but also a personal triumph. Removed from command of the Russian armies, he was sent to the Caucasus, the court cabal which dictated his removal believing that the Caucasus theater would never become an important zone of operations.

The Russian successes in the Caucasus and the advance of Gen. Avlner's British military force to the relief of Kut-el-Amara caused enthusiasm in London today. British military experts for the first time expressed the belief that the army surrounded at Kut-el-Amara would be saved. That it was in a perilous position had been generally recognized.

The advance of the Russians will unquestionably make it necessary for the Turks to reinforce their army in the Caucasus. To do this the Ottoman government must draw upon its Mesopotamia troops, thus weakening their front and giving the British an opportunity to advance upon Bagdad.