

AUSTRIA TEMPTS MONTENEGRO WITH EXCHANGE OFFERS

Offers Support and Aid in Occupying Scutari for Mountains Above Cattaro

AUSTRIA WOULD CONTROL ADRIATIC

Turkey's Reply To Demands of Allies Will Be Presented Today

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Turkey's reply to the demands made several days ago by the Balkan allies as a basis for peace in southeastern Europe will be delivered tomorrow to the peace conference in St. James Palace.

The peace delegates are prepared to consider the reply of the Ottoman government and its counter proposals, starting though the latter may be, as simply, points for future negotiations.

It is well known that Turkey has not the least hope of obtaining what she will demand and also that she has no intention of resuming a war which may result in further disaster to her.

Wants Adriatic. This aspect of the situation seems to receive confirmation from the fact that several attempts already have been made unofficially by members of the Turkish delegation to get the Montenegrin, Serbian and Greek delegates to recede from the demand that Adriatic be surrendered, promising in return that Turkey will not object to their respective enlargement territorially.

Representatives of the Balkan states, however, have resisted all temptations placed in their way and today present an united front as they did the first day of the negotiations and are just as determined as ever to have their own way in concluding peace.

Instead of diminishing excitement is growing among the Serbian and Montenegrin delegates over what are considered Austria's plans in the Balkans. That the dual monarchy seems determined to carry out these plans is considered to be proven by the fact that she has not begun to demobilize the big army she recently called to the colors.

It is now considered certain that at the resumption of the ambassadorial conference January 2, Austria will urge the representatives of Europe to make the territory of autonomous Albania as large as possible.

Wants the Mountains. Meanwhile Austria is tempting Montenegro by proposing in exchange for Austria's support and the occupation of Scutari by Montenegro that Austria be given possession of the mountains dominating Cattaro which thus would become such an impregnable naval stronghold as to make the Vienna government the real master of the Adriatic sea.

Italy, the power chiefly interested, opposes such a scheme that gives her rival the coveted supremacy on the sea which once was considered a Venetian lake. Russia equally is anxious to prevent the Austrian project.

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MINNESOTA COACH SAYS FOOTBALL RULES WERE THE BEST EVER OUTLINED

Declares That Many Difficulties Had to Be Overcome at Outset.

FUTURE PROSPECTS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Praise for the 1912 football rules with the statement that they "made possible the best game of football ever played by American colleges" was expressed by Henry L. Williams coach of the University of Minnesota football team in his report today before the National Collegiate Athletic association, as chairman of the rules committee.

The association, with delegates from nearly 90 colleges and universities, met here for its seventh annual session. Mr. Williams told of the difficulties that had to be overcome and of the many radical changes that were made, all of which he said, proved most fortunate. For several years back, he said, the proper adjust of the balance between offense and defense, with just the right equilibrium between these forces, has been a serious problem.

The advantage, he contended, had been on the side of the defense and it had been well recognized that as the goal line was approached the defense became stronger through the bringing in of the back to support the line so that the touchdowns were equally balanced teams was exceedingly difficult. For these reasons he said the rules were changed to give four downs in ten yards instead of three, a change which he characterized as the most important and beneficial introduced since the 10 yard rule was adopted.

"DYNAMITERS" MAY LEARN THEIR FATE SOMETIME TODAY

Jury Has Not Yet Reached a Decision and Is Again Locked up Until This Morning—Jurors Are Being Carefully Guarded.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 27.—Verdicts in the "dynamite conspiracy" cases will not be reported until tomorrow morning at least. After he had been informed that the jury was not yet ready to report, Federal Judge A. B. Anderson this afternoon adjourned court at 3:05 o'clock until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

All the deliberations of the jurors are conducted in a room near their living quarters on the third floor of the federal building, which is reached by a private stairway cut off from the rest of the building. On the same floor at another end of the building are the quarters of the confessed dynamiters—Ortle E. McManigal and Edward Clarke, who appeared as witnesses for the government. That there may be no basis for any reports as to the jury's progress every approach leading to their quarters is guarded.

Assembled Twice. Twice today the forty labor union officials headed by Frank M. Ryan, president of the Iron workers union, who are charged with complicity in the McNamara dynamite plots to destroy the property of "open shop" contractors, were assembled in the court room in expectation that their fate at the hands of the jury would be made known.

Crowds of women and other spectators who had been permitted in court or in the lobbies for the last three months were prevented by guards from even approaching the court room, so that only those who had business in connection with the trial or were relatives of the defendants were present. These included the wives and children of about thirty of the men on trial.

Brief Sessions. The sessions of court were brief. At 9:30 a. m. the defendants occupied their accustomed three rows of seats behind the lawyers' table. Four defendants were brought in as prisoners from the county jail. These were Edward Smythe, and James E. Ray, Peoria, Ill., Herbert S. Hockin, accused of being the lingo of the conspiracy and John Butler, of Buffalo, vice-president of the "iron" workers union and all of whom were taken in custody because their bonds were set aside.

Smythe and Ray have been in custody for almost two months. Butler was ordered imprisoned after he had testified in his own behalf that he knew nothing of any \$1,000 a month appropriation out of the union's funds, to be used by John J. McNamara, the secretary, for dynamiting. Hockin was imprisoned recently because he could not give increased bond.

As a final token that the trial had

been ended so far as the testimony was concerned, bailiffs entered while the defendants were waiting and removed the revolvers, guns, alarm clocks, pieces of exploded bombs, nitro-glycerine carrying cases and articles shattered by dynamite which the government had introduced as exhibits. Part of the exhibits were weapons taken from the McNamara brothers and McManigal at the time of their arrests.

Thirty five minutes after convening court Judge Anderson adjourned court until afternoon. In the afternoon court re-convened only to again adjourn after a brief wait.

The Defendants. The defendants whose guilt or innocence the jury is determining are: Frank M. Ryan, president of the International association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers.

John T. Butler, Buffalo, vice president. Herbert S. Hockin, former secretary. Olaf A. Tveitmo, San Francisco, secretary of the California Building Trades Council.

Eugene A. Clancy, San Francisco. Phillip A. Cooley, New Orleans. Michael J. Young, Boston. Frank J. Higgins, Boston. J. E. Munsey, Salt Lake City, Utah. Frank C. Webb, New York. Patrick F. Farrell, New York. John H. Barry, St. Louis. Paul J. Morrin, St. Louis. Henry W. Leitner, Denver. Charles N. Beum, Minneapolis. Herman G. Seiffert, Milwaukee. Michael J. Cunnane, Philadelphia. Wm. E. Reddin, Milwaukee. Richard H. Houlihan, Chicago. James Cooney, Chicago. James H. Coughlin, Chicago. Wm. Shupe, Chicago. Edward Smythe, Peoria, Ill. James E. Ray, Peoria, Ill. Murray L. Pennell, Springfield, Ill. Daniel Buckley, Davenport, Ia. Wm. C. Bernhardt, Cincinnati. Wilford Bert Brown, Kansas City. Wm. J. McCain, Kansas City. Frank K. Payne, Omaha. Peter J. Smith, Cleveland. George Anderson, Cleveland. Michael J. Hannon, Scranton, Pa. Edward J. Phillips, Syracuse, N. Y. Charles Wachmeister, Detroit. Frank J. Murphy, Detroit. Fred J. Mooney, Duluth. Ernest G. W. Boney, Indianapolis. Fred Sherman, Indianapolis.

Hiram R. Kline, Muncie Ind., former organizer for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. All except Tveitmo and Kline are connected with the iron workers union. Clancy, Webb, Leitner, Farrell, Cooley, Beum and Young are present or past members of the iron workers executive board and as such are charged with appropriating \$1,000 to enable J. J. McNamara, then secretary, to pay expenses of dynamiting.

Wilson's Welcome Upon His Arrival At The White House.



VIRGINIA HONORS HER FAVORED SON PRESIDENT-ELECT WOODROW WILSON

Bonfires Blaze and Cannon Roar Welcome from the Time Wilson Crosses State Line To Spend Birthday at His Birthplace—Great Crowd Gathers at Staunton for Celebration.

STAUNTON, Va., Dec. 27.—Virginia welcomed home tonight Governor Woodrow Wilson, the eighth of her native sons to be chosen president of the United States.

From the moment the president-elect crossed the state line at Alexandria in the afternoon, after he had had a ten-minute glimpse of the national capital, until 9 o'clock tonight when he reached the town where he was born just 56 years ago tomorrow, the celebration was one of great enthusiasm, noisy demonstration and spectacular display. Bordered by troops of cavalry, militia companies and a torchlight procession, in which practically the whole town participated, the governor and Mrs. Wilson motored through the streets of Staunton to the home of Rev. Dr. A. N. Frazer, pastor now of the Presbyterian church, where the Rev. Joseph H. Wilson, father of the president-elect, lived in 1856.

Greeted Dr. Frazer. With Mrs. Wilson, the president-elect paused for a minute on the illuminated portico of the house and greeted Dr. Frazer. The hand struck up "Dixie," the governor turned and waved his hat to the crowd and a spontaneous shout of welcome echoed in the winter air.

"It's fine to be back again," exclaimed the president-elect as he stepped indoors. Suffering still from the effect of his cold, he retired immediately to the room in which he was born, to rest for the morning, when the chief program of the jubilee will be carried out.

Outside the crowds surged the streets which were alive with color and flags and electrical displays. From far and wide, native children of Staunton had come to greet their fellow townsman. Except for an informal visit a year ago, Mr. Wilson had not been here since he was three years old.

Bonfires Blaze. Staunton was not alone in celebrating the arrival in Virginia of the distinguished visitor. Bonfires blazed the way, fireworks shot across the skies and red lights threw a festive glare at all stations along the route.

UNKNOWN SCHOONER ON THE FRYING PAN SHOALS

Terrific Gale Prevails Along the North Carolina Coast. May Save Crew.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 27.—With a terrific gale prevailing along the Carolina coast tonight an unknown four masted schooner is reported ashore on Frying Pan Shoals and the Wilmington tug Castor and pilot boat Penton have gone to her rescue, with what success it is not known early tonight. While the gale is terrific the wind is fortunately off shore keeping down heavy seas and hopes for the vessel are by no means abandoned as yet. The revenue cutter Seminole, of this station, is at Beaufort, N. C., with the British steamer Alcazar, just towed in there, and her steering gear being disabled, efforts will be made to secure the Yamacraw from Savannah.

Later a message at 9 o'clock tonight from Southampton, N. C., says that the storm off the coast has increased in intensity and that the Wilmington tug Castor and pilot boat have been unable to reach the unknown schooner and it is believed that the crew will be saved, though in imminent peril of their lives. Communication with the wireless station at Beaufort indicates that the revenue cutter Seminole has perhaps repaired her steering gear and proceeded south to the assistance of the schooner.

WILLARD KNOCKED OUT. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Jesse Willard knocked out "Soldier" Kearns in the eighth round of a scheduled ten round bout at Madison Square Garden tonight.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 27.—Two men were probably fatally injured, and seven others received more or less injuries tonight when a street car jumped the track on the Central bridge which spans the Ohio river here and was precipitated into a vacant lot after a drop of 40 feet.

THE WEATHER. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Forecast: North Carolina: Fair Saturday and probably Sunday.

FARMHAND CLAIMS HE WAS HIRED TO KILL JAMES KING

Wife of Dead Planter Is Arrested Following Wilburn's Confession

WILBURN SAYS SHE GAVE HIM \$600

Also Promised To Marry Him After The Murder Had Been Committed

Macon, Ga., Dec. 27.—Mrs. James King was arrested at her home near Round Oak, Ga., today after Nicholas Wilburn, 25 in a confession to the police is alleged to have admitted that he killed Mrs. King's husband because she offered him \$600 to commit the crime and promised to marry him after it had been perpetrated.

James King, a prominent planter, disappeared Dec. 12. His body was found with a bullet wound in the heart in a woods where he had gone hunting. His bird dog was keeping watch over the body. Indications were at the time that King was responsible for his own death. Investigation led to the arrest yesterday of Wilburn and James Barber, a negro.

Wilburn Confesses. In his confession today to the police, Wilburn, who is a farm and sawmill hand, is quoted as saying:

"Mrs. King had offered me \$600 to kill her husband. She said she wanted to get rid of him and promised to marry me if I killed him. He had \$2,000 life insurance."

"On Dec. 12, I was passing the King home. She called to me and told me that Mr. King had gone hunting and for me to go through the woods, find him and shoot him. I followed him and when he stopped to rest I sneaked up behind him, grabbed his gun and then shot him just over the heart. He begged me not to shoot him any more. Just then he fell over."

"I put his gun in his hand and arranged the body so as to make it look like he had shot himself, then went back to the house and told Mrs. King what I had done. She said I was a good boy and she thought a lot of me."

Barber, the negro prisoner, stated a few minutes before the killing Wilburn had told him he was going to shoot King. He said that he had frequently heard Mrs. King tell her husband she would like to get rid of him because she was tired of "seeing him sit around."

Woman Confessed. The widow of the dead man, who was arrested today after Wilburn had confessed to the police that he shot and killed King because Mrs. King offered him \$600 to commit the crime and promised to marry him, also confessed.

In her confession Mrs. King declared that if it had not been for the \$2,000 insurance policy she never would have planned to kill her husband. For more than two hours after her arrest the woman refused to discuss the tragedy. Detectives related to her details of Wilburn's confession and finally she collapsed crying:

"Do you think God will forgive me? Then with God as my helper I will tell you all. For I cannot meet my God with a lie on my lips. Ask the people to have mercy on me no for myself but for my children."

WOODROW WILSON FAVORS PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT AND LATER INDEPENDENCE

Tells Representative Jones of Virginia That He Likes His Bill.

TALKED ON TRAIN.

STAUNTON, Va., Dec. 27.—President-elect Wilson favors a provisional government for the Philippines for eight years and independence thereafter, according to Representative William A. Jones of Virginia, chairman of the house insular affairs committee, who discussed the Philippine situation with him on the train today.

The president-elect announced merely that he had talked with Mr. Jones about the general situation. Asked particularly if he had talked about the bill being pressed by Representative Jones in congress, proposing a provisional government for eight years and independence afterwards, Mr. Wilson replied:

"Oh, we talked about that at Sea Girt last summer. Representative Jones, however, had no hesitancy in saying that Governor Wilson already had heartily endorsed to him the pending bill."

"We really don't expect the measure to pass this congress," said Mr. Jones, "but it surely will go to you in the extra session and will be one of the first pieces of the democratic national platform to be carried out."

FORMER COMMISSIONER OF ACCOUNTS ON BECKER

Says He Had Many Complaints of Graft While He Was in Office.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—"Are you sure of Becker?" "I am not sure of any one at police headquarters."

This is the question which former Commissioner of Accounts Foshick today told the Aldermanic committee investigating the police department that he asked Police Commissioner Waldo early this year, and the answer which he declared Mr. Waldo made.

Former Police Lieutenant Charles Becker referred to, was recently convicted of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, and is now confined in the death house at Sing Sing prison.

Becker headed the "strong arm" squad, which raided many gambling houses. Commissioner Waldo, who also was a witness before the committee, denied that he had hampered investigators who are probing the workings of his department by withholding police records from them.

"Early in 1912" Foshick declared in his testimony, "we began to get a large number of complaints in regard to a certain police officer. He was in charge of a squad. It was"

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IS PREPARING TO CLAIM THE THRONE OF ALBANIA

Prince Ahmed Faud Reported to Be at the Head of 20,000 Troops.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Prince Ahmed Faud, an uncle of the King of Egypt is preparing to enter Albania at the head of 20,000 troops and to proclaim himself prince of Albania, according to a correspondent of the Temps. The place of origin of the dispatch is not given.

The correspondent states that Prince Ahmed Faud intends to disembark at the Albanian port of Avlona or some neighboring point on the coast.

Prince Ahmed Faud, who is of Albanian descent, recently exchanged visits with Count Von Berchtold, the Austria-Hungarian foreign minister in Vienna. He was at that time regarded as a serious candidate for the throne of Albania.

Ismail Kemal Bey, the Albanian leader, when asked whether Prince Ahmed Faud would be acceptable to the Albanians declared that the question of selecting a head of the state would be decided in accordance with the wishes of the people after the formation of a definite government.

Prince Ahmed Faud was later reported to be on the way to London to conduct a personal campaign in his own behalf.