

BALKAN CRISIS ACUTE * CASTRO'S DEFIANCE * BRITISH NAVY UPHELD

AUSTRIA RUSHES TROOPS IN SHIPS FOR DALMATIA

Feverish Haste Marks Embarkation of Soldiers for the Seat of Possible War.

THIRTY WAR VESSELS IN GULF OF CATTARO

Newspapers Are Forbidden to Publish News of the Movements of Armed Forces.

MARTIAL LAW IS EXPECTED

Should Hostilities Occur It is Believed That Military Rule Will Be Enforced.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]

ZARA, Dalmatia, Wednesday.—I arrived here on my way from Agram. At Fiume soldiers and reservists are arriving continually and are immediately embarked on fast steamships of the Ungaro-Croata Navigation Company for the Gulf of Cattaro.

At each departure, both at Fiume and Zara, thousands gather around and salute the departing soldiers. Heartrending scenes are to be witnessed everywhere. Weeping wives with babies in their arms, sisters and mothers crowd the quays. Similar emotion is shown by the soldiers, for all are under the impression that they are going to war.

All the men are being called by telegraph to the colors. The naval reserves have been called out for the first time since 1866. Trainloads of soldiers are arriving daily at Trieste, Pola and Fiume and are despatched for Dalmatia as fast as they can be put on steamships. The Prime Minister of Hungary, Dr. Weckerle, issued a proclamation to the whole of Hungary forbidding the newspapers to report the movements of troops under penalty of five years' imprisonment or 8,000 kronen fine. The military authorities of Zara have issued a similar order to all editors of Dalmatian papers.

Thirty Austrian men of war are already at Tendo, the Austrian naval station on the Gulf of Cattaro. It is generally believed that should hostilities break out martial law will be proclaimed in the whole of Dalmatia.

BELGRADE PROTESTS AT AUSTRIA'S PLANS

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BELGRADE, Wednesday.—Although the chances of peace were augmented during the last three days a current of pessimism yesterday suddenly passed over Belgrade on alarming news from Vienna to the effect that Austria, encouraged by the result of the steps taken by Russia in favor of peace, was proposing to impose high handed conditions humiliating for Serbia. Everywhere in Belgrade, in the clubs, cafes and at the headquarters of the Committee of National Defence, meetings were held in order to exercise pressure on the government to force it to change its attitude, which is little appreciated by Austria-Hungary.

An old radical, formerly a colonel, demanded in the Skupstchina that the government give immediate orders for the mobilization of two divisions with the view of opposition to the great movement of Austrian troops on the frontier. The reply of M. Novakovich, the Prime Minister, this morning is as follows:—

"Our note to the Powers is appreciated everywhere except in Vienna and Berlin, which attacked the language in which it was couched. This was the origin of Count Forgach's note. The Powers happily maintain the desire to act to the end in favor of peace, and they turned toward Serbia, asking her to give evidence of her sentiments of conciliation by unconditionally agreeing to that it had been informed by the Venezuelan government that Señor Castro, who will be arrested on the Guadalupe, that vessel calls at a Venezuelan port, and that even the movements of the Guadalupe in Venezuelan ports will be controlled by the authorities if Señor Castro is a passenger."

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King Peter of Servia Joins His Army in Clamoring for War with Austria-Hungary



PRINCE GEORGE HARANGUING PEOPLE IN BELGRADE. From L'Illustrazione Italiana.

Both Vienna and Rome Receive Disquieting Reports from Belgrade, Where the Chauvinist Minister, General Zivkovitch, Boldly Tells the Cabinet Demobilization Is Impossible.

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VIENNA, Wednesday.—The British tentative proposal for a conference has served to demonstrate clearly how badly informed is Downing street as to the sentiments existing at the Ballplatz. It is a makeshift affair meant to secure temporary peace, whereas Baron von Aehrenthal insists that differences with Servia and Montenegro in the present crisis, which is merely the climax of years of intrigue and bitterness, shall be settled in a thorough manner, peacefully if possible, drastically if necessary, thus ensuring lasting peace. This is why the British

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At the Ballplatz this afternoon the British Ambassador made his appearance with another of Sir Edward Grey's naively constructed formulae, which are taking form, which are a waste of time when what is needed is a clearly defined, hard and fast direct agreement.

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The Neue Freie Presse, accepting war as a foregone conclusion, attributes it to Russia, declaring that it is due to M. Izvolsky, who is bitterly disappointed at the failure of his diplomatic efforts. The Resti Napo declares that "peace is

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ROME, Wednesday.—All to-night's news and telegrams from Berlin and Vienna greatly clash with the hope of peace expressed in the King's speech to-day and which seems very strange. The anxiety with which Italy has up to now viewed the possibility of a conflict is greater this evening in Rome, but there is not the least sign of commotion or disturbance such as that which some time ago broke out against the Austrian Embassy.

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BAR CASTRO FROM VENEZUELAN SOIL

Dr. Paul, Special Envoy, Declares Official Action Will Be Taken on Court Charges.

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HEROISM IN THE SHACKLETON RIDE

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BAN RAISED ON AMERICAN MEAT

Cattle from the States of Maryland and Delaware May Be Land in Britain.

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HERALD BUREAU, NO. 130 FLEET STREET, LONDON, Wednesday.

The British Board of Agriculture will tomorrow revoke its order of November last which prohibited the landing in Great Britain of live animals from the States of Maryland and Delaware.

Animals from either of these States may be landed at any foreign animals, when in Great Britain for purposes of slaughter.

In order prohibiting the landing of hay and straw from the States referred to, as well as the orders prohibiting the landing of live animals, hay and straw from the States of Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey, still remains in force.

It is believed that the order he had made on London, Mr. Seifridge said:—

"The British public has taken us absolutely at our word. It believes what we say and it has demonstrated that it is quite in accord with the principles of merchandising which we have laid down as to the great principles upon which to build a business. We have asked the public to feel a sentimental interest or proprietorship in our concern.

Makes Appeal to Women.

"We have asked each woman to feel that Seifridge is her West End home and she seems already to have done so. The one and a quarter million persons who visited the store last week all seemed at once to be home. The reason this vast army came here is that the public approves of the methods which we stand for. There are several thoroughly up-to-date, progressive and most admirable houses in London, and with these we join in trying to make London more than it already is—the shopping centre not only of Great Britain but for the hundreds of thousands of visitors who come over to England every year from the United States, the Continent of Europe and the British Colonies."

In the speech from the throne His Majesty recalled the "terms of the recent earthquake" and referred to the noble work of the Italian army and navy in the prompt response to help received from foreign countries, saying:—"The grief of Italy was in reality the grief of the civilized world, and many of the soldiers of the Italian army and navy gave their lives for the work of succor."

The King then expressed his gratitude to all who had contributed to the relief of the victims of the disaster. Regrettably, however, the King did not mention the Italian army and navy.

"We shall sell the same quality gloves

as Paris sells at a lower price than they can be bought in Paris. We shall sell dress fabrics at lower figures than prevail in Paris, boot leather, leather goods, hats, handkerchiefs, lower than in London or Belfast. We shall sell all goods for a small profit, our object being to get large profits, small and make small profits on a big turnover. We have carefully blocked