

SERVIA UNBEATEN, SAYS PREMIER

Declares National Spirit Unconquered and Unconquerable.

The grand old man of Serbia is Nikola Pashitch, prime minister of the country ever since the accession of King Peter. He is regarded as the creator of the Balkan alliance. He was born in 1846 and was educated at the Technical Institute in Belgrade. He served as an engineer in the Turkish-Serbian war of 1876 and then became an active member of the national deputies and also the leader of the Radical party. Later he was sent as an ambassador to Russia and cemented the



NIKOLA PASHITCH

friendship which exists between Serbia and Russia. The other day in an interview he said:

"No nation in the records of history has been more sorely tried perhaps than Serbia. Before today fire and sword have passed over our beloved land, leaving in their track desolation and chaos. We were crushed by the Turk and our national independence temporarily lost, but never our national aspirations nor our determination to be free in the end. It was a long road from the ruins of the past a nation of soldiers and freemen. So the events of today are simply a phase of our history—a cruel and bitter phase. Perhaps we have gone down before a multitude of enemies, but we have gone fighting. Germans, Austrians and Hungarians combined have trampled on our national existence, but I say to our enemies now—You cannot kill Serbia although you slay her people."

VILLA GATHERS HIS FORCES.

To Resume Warfare Against the Carranza Government From Chihuahua. From somewhere in the vicinity of the city of Chihuahua General "Pancho" Villa has sent word to his scattered guerrilla bands that he is ready to resume an organized warfare against the Carranza government. He proposes to demonstrate that he can do what the Carranza government has failed to do—protect foreign life and property. He seems to have been destroying both and, indeed, has been reported as vowing to kill all Americans on sight. Americans and Mexicans who have recently arrived at El Paso from Chihuahua declare that bandits operating

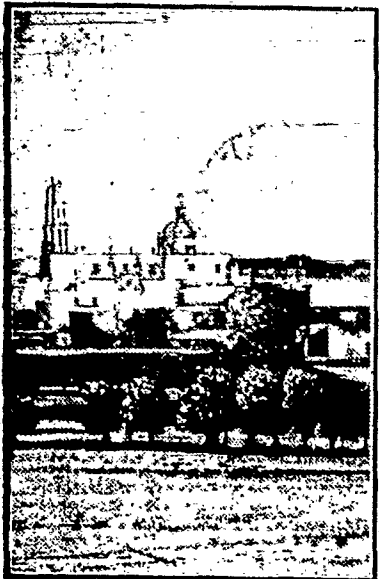


Photo by courtesy of Travel Magazine. CITY OF CHIHUAHUA. west and southwest of that city have killed several hundred persons, some of them foreigners. No mercy is being shown to any one, young or old, it is declared, where resistance is offered to the bandits. Many of the bandits have asserted that they are operating under the orders of Villa, who dominates the country about Chihuahua. Just recently many bandits in the vicinity of Chihuahua have been executed by Carranza troops. Chihuahua is the capital of the state of Chihuahua and has a large foreign resident community. It lies 225 miles south of El Paso.

SIRES AND SONS.

Mr. Edward Elgar often writes his musical compositions in bed.

Harry Smyth of St. Louis has in a few years undergone 131 surgical operations.

Daniel Gray Road, the well known financier, started in life as a clerk in the Second National bank of Richmond, Ind.

Russell Greely, director of the American distributing service in Paris, has been presented with the decoration of the cross of the Legion of Honor for the humanitarian work which he has performed since the beginning of the war.

Vladimir Bohinsky, leader of the new Progressive section of the Nationalists, who would change the extent of the existing order of things in Russia, was educated in England. He is described as a sharp-tongued man who belonged first to the revolutionary party radicals.

Colonel Isaac N. Lewis, retired, who has been authorized by the French government to act as an arbitrator in the controversy between the American and the French governments over the manufacture of the Lewis rapid fire gun, is an American whose invention was submitted to the war department when he was on the active list and was not accepted.

Pen and Brush.

Letter to Horatio, the American artist, has attracted to France, where he was a student, by among the cities of the world.

Marion Hartland, who in private life is Mrs. Mary Virginia Terhune, celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday recently. For seventy-one years she has been writing for the American people.

Miss Sophie Ferrell, who is publishing her first volume of poems in the age of seventeen, evidently inherited the propensity of her famous father, Douglas Jerrold. Douglas had a play staged when he was only fourteen.

Godmundur Karlam, who has come to this country to publish his works in English, is Iceland's first dramatist. He was born in Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, twenty-seven years ago and at the age of eighteen he began writing his first play, "Hadda Paldur."

Flippant Flings.

A Cleveland woman married to a man who has a good eye for her in a street car. But why discourage politeness this way? Detroit Free Press.

A Philadelphia judge rules that if you lend your wife money it is hers. That decision goes only half way. If you don't lend it it's hers too. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The statement that leading cartoonists get as much as \$50,000 a year for making us laugh proves once more that most of our politicians are wretchedly underpaid. Washington Post.

The leap year record breaking business in marriage licenses is an argument for preparedness. The men failed to provide for defense and are being punished. Thank heaven the ladies have not yet resorted to conscription. New York Ship.

Train and Track.

There is less danger of fire in cross-tied railroad trestles than in those of unreserved wood as sound surfaces do not hold stray sparks readily.

English railroads have provided cars for transporting automobiles in which the ends open the full height and width of cars and which have floor supports for holding their contents.

Of the 8,621 persons killed by steam railroads in the last year 222 were passengers and 1,594 were employees on duty. 215 were employees not on duty. 3,103 were trespassers. 1,103 were not trespassers not included in any of the above classes, and 343 were victims of industrial accidents.

SHORT AND SHARP.

Isn't anybody going to dramatize the story of the Appam?

Just now the theaters of war are not presenting any moving pictures.

Still, the price of gasoline should worry the auto heads who burn the wind.

It may be better to give than to receive, but not unless you give cheerfully.

Reports that the efficacy is on the brink of exhaustion are never exhausted.

By the time this war is over international law will require a lot of making over.

There is a time to be merry, but only an absentminded man will whist when he lights his last match.

Laughter is recommended as a cure for indignation. It looks easy to the person who is not afflicted with indignation.

Those who continuously attempt the impossible have at least this advantage that they are sure of a permanent job.

This country produced 11,590,000 gallons of cow's milk last year, but it was still somewhat shy in places of that of human kindness.

The English language has more words than any European language. News Item. That may be, but some of them do not fit certain cases.

A PRINCESS IN CAPTIVITY

Grand Duchess of Luxemburg Prisoner in Her Palace.

SPECULATION is rife as to the future of the young Grand Duchess of Luxemburg, and it is now reported that she will marry soon, but the name of the fortunate bridegroom to be is withheld. Court officials of Luxemburg say the Austrian candidate, the duke, for political reasons, cannot marry any of the Bourbon princesses. She has positively refused to marry a German prince, and the princesses of the smallest states are too young for Protestants.

From the time of the treaty of Vienna in 1815 down to 1866, the Grand Duchess of Luxemburg was a member of the German confederation. By the treaty of London in 1867 it was declared to be a neutral state, and its territory and independence were guaranteed by the great powers. The Grand Duchess of 1867, while providing succession in the female line of the house of Nassau, is said also to have insisted that no succeeding grand duchess shall marry a Protestant, a descendant of the deposed Bourbon, or a member of any of the reigning houses of Germany.

Grand Duchess Marie Adelaide was eighteen years of age when she succeeded her father in 1912.

Among the members of the house of Hapsburg, Lorraine, who might be considered eligible candidates for her, are the Archduke Maximilian, younger brother of the Austrian heir, present born in 1895, the Archduke Karl and William, born respectively in 1891 and 1895, sons of the Archduke Karl.



MARIE ADELAIDE, GRAND DUCHESS OF LUXEMBURG.

Stephan, grandnephew of the emperor, and the Archduke Robert Karl, born in 1895, son of the Archduke Leopold Salvator, who is also a grandnephew of the emperor.

Marie Adelaide is one of the most pathetic figures in the world today. This pretty young girl, barely twenty-one years old, was adorned by her prosperous little country before the war broke out. Today she is practically a prisoner in her own palace. Unable to get out without a military escort and forced to look from her prison windows upon a people starving, terrified and forced to live upon charity, she has given bravely to assert her rights and those of her people in the face of the overwhelming power of the German empire, but the struggle is naturally a hopeless one.

To combine her misery and her pain has been brought to her upon her to marry a German prince, but this she has refused to do as she felt that she would be the victim of a German prince. For more than a year the Grand Duchess has worked hard to keep the youngest ruler in Europe from coming the bride of a German prince, the object being to insure the future of her country. So strong is this pressure because that the young girl has revolted against it, stamping her foot on the floor of her palace, exclaimed: "I really must be left alone if I cannot be in my own palace. I shall soon be forced to seek it in a convent."

Surrounded by an army of hostile soldiers, pressed to marry against her will, this little princess is as unhappy as a Carthaginian maiden of old chosen to be a victim of Moloch.

The grand duchess is the oldest of six sisters. Her family is a branch of the house of Orange, which rules in Holland. When Wilhelmina became queen of Holland she could not succeed to Luxemburg because of the Salic law. A cousin of Wilhelmina's became Grand Duke of Luxemburg. When he died, in 1912, leaving only children, the Luxemburg parliament passed a new law making his daughter eligible to the throne. This was accepted by Germany because it was supposed that country was satisfied to see Holland and Luxemburg kept separate.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Miss Ina Hazeltine of Minneapolis has more than \$4000 a year from a small flower garden.

The Duchess of Westminster, who is running a hospital at the war front, has made a special study of palmistry.

Mrs. Elizabeth Marland, daughter of the late Tom Johnson, millionaire mayor of Cleveland, makes an income of \$20,000 a year as an insurance agent.

Mrs. Norman de K. Whitehouse, chairman of the New York State Woman suffrage party, is called the General Kitchener of the suffrage campaign.

Mrs. Agnes L. Riddle of Denver is the champion organizer of farmers. Through Mrs. Riddle now owns and manages a large farm, she began her working life as a trained nurse.

Miss Tilda Latham is said to be the only professional cook to be elected a member of the parliament of her country. She is one of the twenty-one women elected to the parliament of Finland.

Echoes of the War.

Sapientation of the little kingdoms: "Good morning! Are you on the map this morning?" Atlanta Constitution.

Judging by what one belligerent says of another, there doesn't seem to be much truth left in Europe. Indianapolis News.

As the war progresses it is somewhat remarkable how those earlier rejected as unfit have improved in health. Washington Post.

There may not be a new heaven and a new earth after the war, but it looks as though there will be a new Africa. New York Sun.

Europe is not ripe for peace, says a returned soldier. Certainly the war has not set in, and that may be necessary for the opening of peace. San Francisco Chronicle.

PITH AND POINT.

Agriculture is the antidote for stagnation.

The low raddish craft on the horizon seems to be coming back.

The man who would give you his last dollar seldom possesses a nickel.

Don't worry about giving the devil his due. We'll get it right enough.

The pull that gets a boy into a naval academy is not always followed up by his own push.

If the man who gives advice freely knew it was good he would probably use it himself.

The "lites" can't be so hard up for recruits when they can spare so many for ballots in America.

It might help the trade if the customer would put a diamond or ruby in his pocket once in awhile instead of the traditional pearl.

That newly devised watch for left-handed persons was probably inspired by the poetic Bygones, turn back your time to the right.

When you find a person fighting on what Europe is going to do after the war you may set it down as a certainty that he knows far more than Europe.

A Boston educator declares that the college girl is now in every respect the equal of her brother. Did he ever hear a crowd of girls trying to give a college yell?

Town Topics.

Norfolk is now vying for the honor of being the proudest distinction of being considered a suburb of Bremen. New York Tribune.

Anyway, patriotic Chicago captains of industry ought to employ the plentiful home talent and not import handouts from New York. Chicago News.

New York is to be congratulated. The number of its murders has declined from 286 in 1913 to 230 last year. What splendid security of life! Boston Herald.

Kansas City and Topeka are actually getting together to build a sixty-mile highway connection without ever trying to get it changed in the Federal highway park barrel. New York Sun.

Pert Personals.

Whatever happens Colonel House will never have to swallow his words. New York Sun.

Baron Astor has had his picture taken in his laparal robes and the robes look all right. Atlanta Constitution.

A Baltimore essayist says college women marry as often as other women. Philip Russell will please write.

"Kussin' laws is ruin a man to marry four times," says an exchange. "What a poor Russian Nat Goodwin would have made!" Detroit Free Press.

Wireless Whispers.

With portable wireless apparatus the Swedish army has established communication over distances of 110 miles by day and for 300 miles at night.

The wireless station at Colon at noon each day sends out broadcast forecasts of the weather in the Caribbean south Atlantic and gulf regions to aid shipping.

The tower of a tall church in Switzerland has been equipped to receive time signals sent out by wireless telegraphy from the Eiffel tower in Paris.

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