

Kentucky Mountain Feuds Mild Compared To Greek Civil Strife

Individual Wars of Vengeance, Like Atomic Chain Reaction, Almost Impossible to Stop

BY FRED SPARKS, Times Foreign Correspondent

VOLOS, Greece, Jan. 6—Greece is a hard, cruel country. The ancient Kentucky mountain feuds—the Hatfields and the McCoys—were mild indeed in comparison with the current civil strife here.

There is no use trying to figure out who started any of the little individual wars of vengeance now going on everywhere. It's like an atomic chain reaction—almost impossible to stop.

If a man's brother is killed here, the man swears vengeance—against the entire family of the one who committed the crime.

Even if some mighty man could press a button and stop Greece's civil war—it would not mean peace. There are too many terrible debts to be paid off—too many crimes to avenge.

"I will bury the hatchet," a clean-shaved, American-educated lad told me, "in the back of the swine who killed my father." The speaker was a lawyer, trained to live gently by the law books.

Guardsmen Ambushed

Last week—just a few miles from where I sit typing these lines—three Greek national guardsmen were ambushed and overpowered by a band of guerrillas. Their legs and arms were tied together.

They were saturated with gasoline and someone flipped a match. That was all—it was enough.

The father of a girl who works for the American mission here was kidnapped by the guerrillas. He was a rich man and they demanded \$500 gold sovereigns.

The family raised the sum. Then waited, praying, in their home. Nobody came for 24 hours—then a letter through the mail:

"If you can raise \$500 gold sovereigns, you can raise \$500 more."

Demand Bread

And in still another nearby village the guerrillas appeared at night, broke into the mayor's house, stuck a tommy gun in his ribs. They would fire the town unless a large quantity of bread was produced at once.

Ten women were put to work baking bread. The guerrillas kept their promise—took the bread and returned to their mountain hide-outs.

But someone, someone with a terrible, maybe justified, hate, had put poison in the bread. A few days later the rebels returned.

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Population Gains Here in 6 Years

Urban Tide on Rise In Economic Survey

Indiana's growing and shifting population has tended to concentrate in manufacturing areas and in counties adjacent to large cities, a survey by the Indiana Economic Council showed today.

Total population as of Nov. 1, 1947, was estimated by the council at 3,782,765 as compared with an official 1940 census of 3,427,796. The figure was based on a 1943 census bureau survey plus the natural population growth indicated by birth and death rates plus migration as indicated by grade school enrollment.

Marion County showed a gain of 15.6 per cent over 1940 in an estimate, which, the bureau said, would prove correct within a margin of 2 per cent one way or the other. Marion County now has, according to the council survey, 14 per cent of the entire population of the state.

Bigest Step-Up

Greatest step-up in population for any county was 47.4 per cent in Scott County where an enormous wartime expansion in the canning industry was reflected.

Coal mining regions and farm counties showed greatest population losses since 1940, the report pointed out. Among the coal counties Vermillion County lost 20.8 per cent, Clay County lost 29.9 per cent, Sullivan County lost 19.9 per cent and Vigo County lost 1.4 per cent.

Heavy rural county population losses were led by Orange County with a 21.4 per cent drop, Benton County with a loss of 17.9 per cent and Washington County, down 13 per cent since 1940.

City Influence

Other manufacturing counties than Marion to show substantial population gains were Clark, up 32.6 per cent; Starke, near the Kingsbury Heights war plant, up 24.9 per cent; Lake, up 17.9 per cent and St. Joseph, up 17.9 per cent.

Of special interest to city planners, the council report said, was the growth in counties adjacent to counties containing large cities. Clark County, for example, is near Louisville.

Hancock County, near Indianapolis, showed a gain of 27.8 per cent in population, and Johnson County, also within the range of influence of Indianapolis, grew 22.6 per cent.

In questionnaires sent out to these individuals, Mr. Swanson asked if they would attend a meeting in January to plan for such a conference, if they would be willing to serve on committees to advance the plan and if they have contact with organizations which might contribute funds.

If the answers are favorable, it was indicated the statewide conference would be called in May.

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Why Russians Won't Go Home

Soviets Put Repatriates From China East of Urals

Given No Choice, White Russians Settled In Newly Industrialized Section

This is the last of three articles on Moscow's efforts to repatriate white Russians living in Shanghai.

By CLYDE FARNSWORTH, Scripps-Howard Staff Writer

SHANGHAI, Jan. 6—Russia is taking no chances that her once fugitive sons and daughters now repatriated from Shanghai will change their minds.

According to reports pieced together by White Russians who don't want to go home, their former comrades are being settled on the eastern side of the Ural mountains which separate European from Asiatic Russia.

Here are the industrial centers: Red armies occupied Manchuria are reported to have been the vanguard of the White Russian settlement near Omsk.

The White Russians say the Soviet repatriation program has been practically halted here by packsliding or outright rejection of Soviet citizenship by the bulk of Shanghai's old White Russian colony. Some 6500 have declined to return to Russia.

Soviet propaganda, which once claimed consular registrations, had reduced the holdouts to about 20 old men and women doesn't sound like that anymore.

According to the Whites, the mass repatriation may never be tried again. Whispers and portents reaching Shanghai from the repatriates may have checked the Soviet plan to liquidate little Moscow here.

Some of this bad news is gleaned from letters published by the Russian Daily News which ordinarily wouldn't carry anti-Soviet expressions.

Letters of Messages Get Through

Many of the repatriates left Shanghai with various misgivings, the Whites say, so they arranged with friends and families to disclose their slant of the Soviet Union by the use of code words in letters. The Whites say plenty of these letters are now coming in through Soviet censors and sometimes are published. Many such letters are said to convey messages of black despair between the lines of bright small talk.

Mr. Fluker is a member of the Central Ohio chapter, American Society of Safety Engineers. He formerly was a newspaper correspondent in Dayton and Cincinnati and has written regularly for safety publications.

He began with the commission as safety representative, later being advanced to assistant superintendent. In January, 1947, he was appointed superintendent.

"We never appreciate things we have," he wrote, "and we yearn for the things we have lost."

Radio 'Hams' Name Forbes

Raymond Forbes, who operates amateur radio station WWHNS, has been named president of the Indianapolis Radio Club which meets in the Northwest Community Center.

Other officers include Leon Webb, vice president; Joe Brand, secretary; Mel Osborne, treasurer; Merlin Lueth Jr., chief operator.

Robert Caskey and Donald Angus have been appointed directors. Mr. Caskey is the retiring president.

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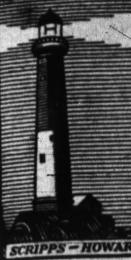
Masonic Unit to Install Officers Saturday Night

Max White, Indianapolis attorney and former city councilman, will be installed as worshipful master of Oriental Masonic Lodge at 8 p.m. Saturday.

Other officers to be installed are Edwin H. McCaffery, senior warden; C. William Malbacher, junior warden; W. Earl Gentry, treasurer; William A. Braun, senior deacon; Martin L. Anderson, junior deacon; John H. Newlin, chaplain; Howard F. Tudor, senior steward; Merlin G. Bailey, junior steward, and Culver S. Miller, tyler.

NOT TOO GRATEFUL

WORCESTER, Mass. (UPI)—After recovering a bag containing \$14,000 which she had left on a bus, a woman passenger handed the driver, Philip E. Booker, a \$10 reward.



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