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FURTHER PICTURES FROM ABYSSINIA.

Picture:- Approaching the Abyssinian capital of Addis Ababa comes the caravan of the last Italian consuls from the outlying districts.

The journey across the mountains has taken several days. A 'plane could do it in one hour. Matheo Proneho and Dr. Dagnino and wife lead the party. They were accompanied by their personal servants and were unmolested. Abyssinian customs officials held them up for twelve hours, refusing to recognise their passports. After arguments they were allowed to continue. A bomb-proof shelter is being constructed in the near-by hill side as a retreat for the Emperor and his suite, in anticipation of the Palace being bombed. Crowds at the Station see the departure of more thousands of native soldiers for the battle fronts.

Picture-getting is not easy. Just as cameras were verboten during the Great War, so they are yellum here, asmari word for forbidden. Our cameraman is forced to desist.

The last of the Italian officials also leave for the frontier. Many of the native soldiers have never seen, or been in a train before. They will hate it after this !