

RE-ENACT FAMOUS CUSTER STRUGGLE

Widow of Dead General Unable to
Be Present for Rites

Crow Agency, Mont., June 25—
(AP)—The battle of Little Big Horn is being fought again today in an atmosphere closely resembling frontier life of half a century ago, when General George A. Custer and his immediate command were annihilated by Sioux and Cheyenne Indians.

Wrinkled Indian warriors, long since relegated to the council circles, took the field today with the young men of their tribes to watch dashing cavalry troopers of a modern army cover the ground on which Custer was ambushed. Hundreds of Indians, many in war regalia took the field this morning, including veteran Crow scouts who guided Custer's command.

General E. S. Godfrey, retired, headed a handful of troopers from the old Seventh cavalry to watch the colorful pageant sweep through the ravines and coulees where their comrades died. Thousands of visitors, attracted by the spectacle, from all parts of the northwest, took stations on the hills overlooking the valley of the Little Big Horn.

Mrs. Custer, widow of the general, was unable to make the trip from her New York City home, but her niece, Mrs. Mae Custer Elmer of Brooklyn, is representing the family at the ceremonies. Mrs. Custer said yesterday that she no longer had any hatred for the Indians and does not resent their part in the celebration. "They were only defending their country as they thought right," she said.

The agency, transformed into a teeming village by perhaps the largest assembly of Indians of the 20th century, will be the center of festivities for several days to come. The program proper will conclude Sunday with a memorial service to General Custer.