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HEREDITY OF THE ROMANOFFS

Coming to the Throne of
Late Russian Dynasty as
Striking as Departure

It was through a popular assembly in 1613 and by invitation that the Romanoff family came to the throne of Russia. It was through a popular assembly and, in the manner speaking, says the Kansas City Star, by invitation that the Romanoff family left the throne of Russia the other day.

The Romanoffs took control in that period of Russia's history that is known as "The Ages of Woe." They relinquished control in what is known as Russia's "Age of Hope." The 304 years of the Romanoff dynasty is one of the darkest stretches in the history of any nation. The family was one of paradoxical extremes—powerful, vigorous and relentless rulers, or weak, easily swayed and unscrupulous rulers. The great outstanding figures in the Romanoff family used the Russian peasantry as fuel to feed the fires of their warlike ambitions; the little wavering Czars allowed the peasantry to be used as the tools of selfish advisers to the throne.

The first of the Romanoffs were of Prussian descent. The name of the first of the family to appear in Russian history was Andrei Kobyla, who is said to have gone to Moscow from Prussia in the 14th century. The family name became Roman and one of the women married the Czar, Ivan the Terrible, who was descended from the Scandinavian house of Rurik that had sat on the Muscovite throne for six centuries.

After Ivan's death in 1584, a chaotic condition gripped the land. Weak and short-lived rulers, some of them

usurpers, passed in and out of the throne room at Moscow. Revolt broke out in various parts of the great, unwieldy domain of the Muscovite princes. The Poles threatened on the west and the Swedes on the north and famine and robber bands menaced within. Moscow was captured and sacked by the Poles, and Shuiski, known as "The Thief," then the ruler of Russia, was executed.

Two great princes, both of the Muscovite blood, arose at this period and delivered Russia from the hands of its foes. Prince Abraham Palitzin and Prince Dmitri Posharski, brave nobles, joined with the forces led by Kuzma Minin, a butcher of Nizhny Novgorod, and expelled both the Poles and the Swedes from Russian territory. This accomplished, they turned on the bands of robber Cossacks and coerced them. With the capture of Moscow from the Poles in 1612 Russia again was free, but without a ruler. Palitzin as administrator, took charge until a national assembly composed both of nobles and commoners, could be called to choose a head for the nation. When the assembly convened there was much confusion and fruitless discussion.

Prince Pozharski was offered the throne as a reward for his services, but he declined. Then it was offered to Prince Mstislavski, another Russian patriot, but he, too, declined the responsibility. Hereupon two delegates—one Russian and one Cossack—suggested that the Romanoff family, being closest in relation to the Burik line, be called to the throne. This was done.

Philaret Romanoff was the eldest living member of the house, but late in life he had become a monk. So Philaret's son, Michael, a lad of 17, was called upon to accept the throne. And, in the method of tendering of the crown, came about the autocratic powers possessed by the Czars. Not a single condition did this popular assembly impose upon the new ruler.

SIDELIGHTS ON THE STAGE AND SCREEN

GET THE JOB.

"Hank" Butler says that the principal qualification for directing pictures is to get a job.

UNREASONABLE.

Edgar Lewis was thinking of producing "The Golden Woman" for the screen, but when he discovered there were three scenes which would cost \$100,000, he snubbed her.

HE STARTED TOO MUCH.

There is one less impudent and abusive super than there was a week ago. The super has not disappeared, but the impertinence and abusiveness are no more. The super endures to extend his talents upon Albert Kaufman, manager of the Famous Players studio, without having previously ascertained the fact that Kaufman spends three days of the week working at the City Athletic Club. Deceived by the quiet obtrusiveness of the studio manager, the super let his disposition get the better of his judgment. He will not do it again—when he recovers.

FRENZIED F. MING.

Fifty-four scenes shot in one night is the record established by J. P. McGowan while directing Helen Holmes and her company of Mutual-Signal players in the serial "The Railroad Raiders." Mr. McGowan took these scenes in and around a railroad train by the use of artificial lights. Nor were these short-scenes. There were but six that could be doubled up, that is, where two or more could be shot together, and of the entire amount of exposed negative there were only two retakes, and one of these was the result of faulty raw stock.

This is the biggest night's work on railroad pictures that has ever been achieved at the Signal plant, and so far as can be learned, the biggest that has yet been done on the Pacific coast.

ARTIFICIAL ABORIGINALS.

The audience at Metro-York Company, which is producing Robert W. Chambers' popular novel, "The Hidden Children," in screen form, with Harold Lockwood, May Allison as stars, recently looked over his spectacles in surprised protest.

"Here are two items I don't understand. Five gallons of oil and

twelve pounds of red paint powder. There has been no salad dressing made and no house painted. What's the answer?"

Then the assistant of Oscar Apfel, who is directing the production, explained. The oil and paint has been used in coloring the bodies of several hundred "extras" who appear as Indians in the forthcoming production of the nation's early history.

"BROADWAY BELLES"

The Lynn, Mass., Daily News, in commenting on "Broadway Belles" the attraction that comes to the Grand Opera House for a three days engagement, commencing May 24th, had the following: "Blood starters of the classic kind as ever domineer in number—is a sharply creation of skippy maids who are appearing at the Lynn Theatre this week under the caption of 'Broadway Belles.' Joy must be the middle name of every maid in the company, for the show from start to finish is one long joyous scream of unrestrained merriment. Every girl in the company—twenty in number—is a sharply creation of well developed loveliness which her garments show to best advantage. Imagination has no chance while this company of gorgeous sets are performing, as their dress-makers, used cloth sparingly, the intent being to give a good idea of what a good job nature can do in the way of forms when she gets started working. Girl shows in the past may have been eye-openers for the artists models, but the one of this week has them all chased off the boards. Beauty is a big asset with the girls, but when they have clever dancing combined with their powers to charm, the result is a show of surpassing grandeur. Every one in the show goes with dash and vigor; the comedians are the funniest ever seen here with this style of entertainment, and it might be said that they are even better than many with higher-priced musical comedies. McCann, under whose management this clever company is touring the theatres, has a cast of league leaders in 'Funny' Rube Penna, who is sure 'funny'; Dave Stormont, Hebrew comedian; Tim Lester as a 'funny' Charlie Chaplin; Lucille O'Dea, a high-class prima donna. Pretty Kitty Ferns and Dolly Edwards, character actresses—are welcome additions.

FOOD CONTROLLER FOR DOMINION

Appointment is Probable
When Matter is Considered by the Cabinet

Ottawa, May 22.—Appointment of a food controller for Canada, urged by heads of the Dominion Trades and labor congress, is considered certain. The matter will come before the cabinet on Thursday. The Canadian controller would co-operate with the official named by the United States Government for the same purpose.

Following their conference with the Premier last night, the Trades Congress executive heads are in secret session on the conscription problem today. An official statement of their decision is expected later in the afternoon.

All sorts of rumors as to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's stand on the great issue are in circulation, even talk of his resignation of the Liberal leadership, but it is conceded that it is speculative though it is not expected that Sir Wilfrid will support the Borden measure as it shapes up at present.

THREE LOST.

Quebec, May 22.—News of a tragic fishing trip comes from the Upper Saguenay region today. Three men from Roberval, Henry Fortin, A. Jean and J. Coriveau went out in a canoe and not returning, a search was begun. Their craft was found bottom up on Lake Round, but no trace of the occupants was found.

VETERAN FOUND DEAD.

By Courier Lensed Wire. Quebec, May 22.—E. Y. Gray, a Toronto soldier returned from the front, was found dead in a field outside the city, after lying there over a month. He lived at 526 Ontario street, Toronto. He was identified at the morgue by members of the Quebec Khaki Club and the remains will be forwarded home. No foul play is supposed.

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RELIGION FREE AT LAST IN RUSSIA

People of the Country No Longer Restricted to One Faith

Bewildering and thrilling as has been the Russian revolution, its full significance is only now being realized by specialists who have considered its bearing upon their particular fields of interest. Religiously the Russian revolution is epochal. It means far more than appears upon the surface; for Russia has been really a church state, with the ecclesiastical power paramount. Only with the past few days have laws imposing restrictions upon other faiths been abolished.

The Holy Orthodox church, as it is commonly called in Russia, or, to give it the full official title—"The Holy Orthodox Catholic Apostolic Eastern church"—is one of the three great divisions of Christendom, the other two being the Roman Catholic church and the Protestant churches. This church really comprises nine national churches, each self-governing; but all are dominated to a degree by the Russian church, as the largest and most virile of them all. Politically, Russia has been the sponsor and protector throughout the world of all the Greek churches—"Greek" being the colloquial name for the Holy Orthodox church. The czar has been the secular head of the Russian church—the "little father" on earth, viceregent of the Great Father above. Ecclesiastical control has been in the hands of the Holy Synod, the procurator of which has been a powerful political force; and, until the revolution, a reactionary. The church has been the most potent agency of Pan-Slavism.

Glances of "the grandeur that was Rome" come to one as he looks upon the eastern church. Its primacy was, and is, at Constantinople, where Constantine the Great established the seat of the Roman empire; where Roman civilization was conserved when the barbarians overran the city by the Tiber. In those days, as the council of Nice recognized, there were five patriarchs or supreme heads of the Christian church—the bishops of Rome, Constantinople, Jerusalem, Antioch and Alexandria and Antioch.

Belonging to what is called "the eastern church," but not within the communion of the Holy Orthodox body are the Nestorians, the Jacobites, the Abyssinians, and the Copts. In all these churches there are a million members of the Holy Orthodox church in North America, the average person in this country leaving them entirely out of his thinking when church religion. To the American mind, there are only two major groupings of Christians—Protestants and Roman Catholics.

In all the world, however, there are 272,860,000 Roman Catholics, 171,500,000 Protestants and 120,000,000 members of the eastern churches. Nothing reveals the difference between the east and the west more definitely than religion. In America things ecclesiastical are subordinated in popular interest to matters political. Over in Russia the reverse is the case. Not one reader in 10,000 of an American newspaper knows what the "et Filioque" controversy is; yet the ignorant shepherd boys on the hills of Lebanon debate about it to this very day, though the issue is a thousand years old; and one that finally split the eastern and western churches.

To the average American it seems like hair-splitting; but the church is the inheritor of the Greek philosophical state of mind, and it has always been a valiant contender for theological subtleties. So this quarrel over what is technically called "The Procession of the Holy Spirit" is really a factor in present day politics. The eastern church, which holds to the creeds of the first seven general church councils, resented the western church's addition of the words "et Filioque"—"and from the son" to the declaration that the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father. Doctrinal and mystical—those and the words that still characterize the Russian church.

Between the "Greeks" and the "Latins" as the two bodies are locally called, there are various divergencies aside from the doctrinal one already named. The Holy Orthodox church requires its clergy and deacons to marry, but forbids a second wife. Bishops may not marry, nor monks, so the former always comes from the monasteries. The priests are usually well educated, but they have almost autocratic power over the villagers. They wear full beards and long hair.

Theoretically, there has been religious liberty in Russia as shown by the presence of 13,000,000 Moslems, 1,000,000 Armenians, 11,000,000 Roman Catholics, and 5,000,000 Jews in the Empire. Practically, there has been a great deal of persecution of dissenters. Now real tolerance has come, and the political power of the church will doubtless disappear. Whether the disestablishment will follow remains to be seen. Certainly the prospects for universal Christian reunion are brighter, even though still remote.

Religious leaders in America who know Russia declare that the strength of democracy in the new order will be the sincere spirituality and simplicity of the Russian people. They practice the basic Christian virtues, being kindly, gentle, and brotherly. Next to the Hindus the Russians are probably the most religious people on earth.

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GOVT. WORKERS STRIKE.

By Courier Lensed Wire. Quebec, May 22.—Between 800 and 700 men employed at the various government plants at Sorel went out on strike this morning demanding higher wages. They had been promised an increase some time ago, but as the raise was not forthcoming all went out on strike this morning. All dynamos are inactive and all the fires in furnaces are extinguished. There have been parades through the streets but no trouble is reported.

LIBERTY LOAN

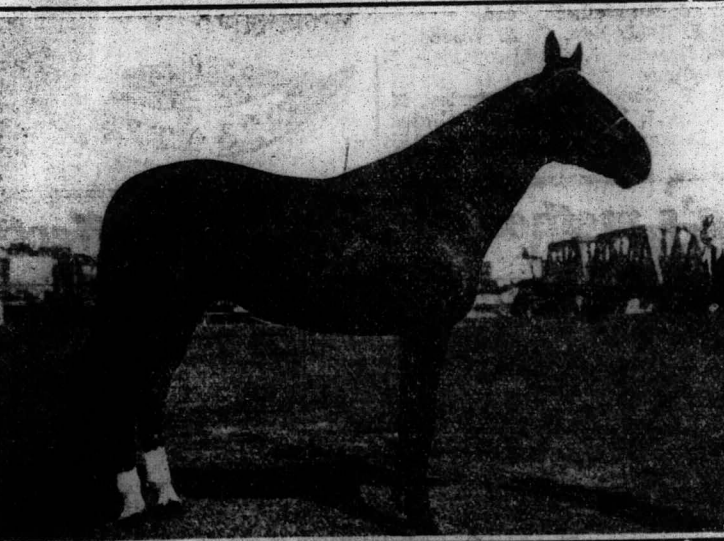
By Courier Lensed Wire. New York, May 22.—The Canadian Pacific Railway has subscribed for \$1,000,000 of the Liberty Loan bonds, it was announced today. Another million dollar subscription came from the American Brass Company.

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APPEAL DISMISSED.
By Courier Lensed Wire. Toronto, May 22.—The Appellate Court yesterday afternoon dismissed the appeal of the United Gas and Fuel Company of Hamilton against an order of the Ontario Railway Board which found the company not entitled to make a minimum quarterly charge for gas.

M. P. KILLED.
By Courier Lensed Wire. London, May 22.—Valentine Fleming, Unionist member of the House of Commons from South Oxfordshire a barrister, and financier, has been killed in action. He was a major in the Oxfordshire Yeomanry. Major Fleming was born in 1882.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
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In the picture Marshal Joffre is receiving the cheers of the throng at Montreal after leaving the French Consulate on the occasion of his visit in Montreal.

DIAMOND JIM JEWELRY

One of These—"Tra Cost Over Hun Taste of N

(New York Tribune) Diamond Jim is gone. Somewhere in India or Persia, there is a man who may have a bit of local diamond as a jewel wearer, but Brantford, the brilliant jeweler, has passed on to the next world. He died, to have been the 38th month. Picture a luxurious apartment. Then observe the ceremony.

A low-voiced valet who, to the title of Charley, also the calendar, noted the 8, a little memorandum in his book, and then said to him the black pearl day." He hid to the safe, extracted from a small package, retied the bed chamber, buried him the personal apparel of a man for a few moments, and he touched a ponderous sleep. "Mr. Brady, sir." And then Diamond Jim's after the usual morning arises got into among his vestitures. "Set No. 8," which have been worth \$40,000, or even more. And the set, jewels, consisted of: Two collar buttons. Three shirt studs. A scarfpin. A ring. Cuff links. Suspender buckles. Garter buckles. A pencil with jeweled end. A wallet with jeweled end. A watch and chain stud gems.

Had 31 Such Sets. The Prince of Precociousness of these sets, one or several of the month, and never for years did he appear, when he was on his feet, unjeweled. There's a story they tell of the month of the set, as he may not be true. It runs that a finicky person (observed for the first time): "But, Mr. don't you think it vulgar so many jewels?" J.E.B.: "Them as has 'em."

And in round figures the cost \$1,800,000. There's "transportation" cost, and he cost him just \$105, got its name from the man made in form of galleons, this particular collection, others as automobiles. The miniature railroad ties, and buttons are car wheels, of inch and a half in diameter. "Volgar." Perhaps according to lights of some folk—who'd 'em. But then looking at other way, Diamond Jim's rather vulgar to drink alcohol tobacco smoke. At yet to learn the taste of the weed. He would buy cigars, and the best, but not touch them.

He Worked, Too. Picturesque is scarcely the use to describe the late James Brady. Of course, he was not a man of the old. But he was more. Jewels—food—first night girls. Those were Jim's passions. And since he well over \$5,000,000 and pared to spend any sum, might have been called upon was amply able to indulge outside of working hours, he worked. And mighty he

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