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The Duma then took up the matter of reorganizing the Russian army and in 1909 voted \$55,000,000 for this purpose, in that supporting the desires of the government. From that day to the present the Duma has become a more powerful factor in the Russian edministration and even if the revolution of last week had not occurred, probably, in time, would have secured the prerogatives of other parliaments supposedly more democratic and closer to the great mass of the people.

Last week's revolution places the Duma in absolute control of Russia's affairs, for so long as it retains the confidence of the people no government can live without its support. It is intensely pro-Russian and is certain to inaugurate a more vigorous war policy, a movement which will prove of advantage to the Entente Allies, and which will secure for Russia that place in the affairs of the world to which her power and her resources justly entitle her.

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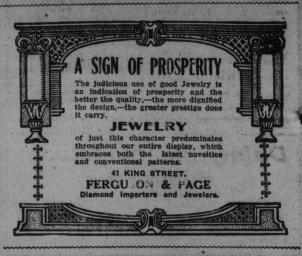
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