

BEATEN IN EFFORT TO MEND MATTERS

Hungarian Count Gives Up All, Including Country

SOUGHT TO BE REFORMER

Wealthy, Pleasure-Loving Hussar Officer Made a Brave Fight To Improve Conditions in Homeland But In Vain

(Times' Special Correspondence)

Buda Pesth, April 22.—Mad Count Bathany has abandoned his family, his title, his citizenship, his estates, and his invested millions, and taken refuge in England. The "mad count" is the hero of the quaint drama of renunciation and self-sacrifice in European aristocracy's history.

Only Thirty Six

Count Erwin Bathany, aged thirty-six, is head of the proudest of all Magyar clans. He traces descent to Arpad, the creator of Hungary. His family, during the thousand years since Arpad, has played a notable role, and amassed a vast fortune.

Count Louis is one of the national heroes whose memory is embodied in the Buda Pesth, Heroes' monument. In the districts of Pesth, Pozsony, Bihar and Debreczin and in five other "Komitats," Count Bathany has vast estates. He has an income of a million dollars a year; and a millionaire aunt who, till lately, proposed to leave him another million.

Four years ago Count Erwin was a wealthy, pleasure-loving hussar officer, who seemed destined to live the ordinary cavalryman's life and to die happily. His life, like Tolstoy's, was changed by a "fall." He came to the conclusion that he must change his worldly ways; that he had responsibilities which were as great as his wealth; and that a soldier's life in peace time is no worthy career.

When he broached these terms of thought to his fellow officers they laughed. Later, when he repeated them they began to think him a bit of a bore; and finally they and the rest of the hussars, who were used to his mad, for he announced that he would throw up his officer's commission and henceforth devote his life to the poor and down-trodden.

Count Erwin added that in order to fit himself for his new career he would pursue a course of social and political science. Naturally his brother magistrates, who do not know social and political science from trigonometry, were horrified. Their horror was intensified when the millionaire count appeared on the platform of the Social Science Union, a semi-socialist and anti-aristocratic league.

And the horror knew no bounds when the count proceeded from reading to writing and publishing fiery articles against wealth. His "Twentieth Century" of the Social Science Union.

Attacks His Own Class The "Twentieth Century" focuses the views of the semi-revolutionary youth of Hungary, the youth which fights clericalism, big landed estates, aristocratic prejudices, and all the various things which usually men like Count Bathany call blessed in Hungary classes are more

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solid against classes than in almost any other country. So Count Erwin's conversion proved to be a sensational event. The whole Magyar press took it up. The "mad count" was attacking the reactionary parliamentary franchise, the influence of the church, the official ideal of patriotism and the neglect of politicians to provide schools for the peasants.

More fiercely of all he attacked the privileges of his own class. Some of these privileges date from the middle ages, and they give a power over the peasant population which practically means serfdom. Of course, magistrates, landlords, high officials and conservative were up in arms. The "mad count" was denounced as incendiary, anarchist, traitor to his class and to his country. To each vituperation Count Erwin made no reply. He pursued his own resolute way and two years ago abolished all the feudal customs on his estates without taking any return from the peasants who benefited.

The local magistrates saw that their own estates were threatened and started a boycott. When Count Erwin appeared before the provincial Council of Nobility forty-seven of his fellow nobles demonstratively left the hall. Angrier still were the members of the noble line of Bathany. In addition to sharing in the resentment felt by the landlords, clericals, and conservatives, they were terrified by the thought that the irresponsible count would give away the family estates. Angriest of all was the Countess Erwin. She withdrew from Count Erwin the light of her countenance, and turned it on another Bathany, Count Bathany Janos.

Count Erwin persisted. He announced that he would give the peasant workers on his lands a share in the profits of farming. This overwhelmingly convinced Hungary that he was mad. His relatives, fifteen indignant counts and countesses, held a family council; and resolved to address a solemn motion to their estate landsman. Count Erwin thanked them for their interest, and invited them to try profit sharing with their own peasants. The council met again. It decided that the relative must enter a sanatorium for nerve sufferers. The plan failed. Mad as was Count Erwin in the eyes of respectable society, no doctor could be found who believed he was insane. Count Erwin replied to his relatives' move by publishing a pamphlet on "The Shame of Hungary" in which he attacked the aristocracy and the "mad count" appeared as the "traitor count," the "abstent count," and so on. Things might have developed slowly in this direction had not the reckless Erwin taken a step which transcended all his past intrigues and insanities. He began a campaign in favor of education for the poor. Of all the prejudices sacred to the Hungarian magistrates a hatred of education for the poor is the chief. It is as great a crime in Hungary to found a school as it is in England to shoot a fox. The magistrates depend on illiterate labor for their vast wheat growing estates. There is a constant governmental policy against schooling, and five or six thousand municipal districts are without any schools at all. "I not only demand schools, but I shall get them," said the "mad count." And he decided to found his own schools. He started the first schools on the estate nearest Fezth and near Nebreczin. The schools were to be equal to the best in Europe. The count took the advice of Kirchschlager, Germany's famous pedagogy expert; and he brought a school architect, Klausens from Vienna to put up the school buildings. Four schools were built, and equipped with every appliance of the most advanced pedagogy. The enterprise was run practically, meaning as every thing was done in a cheap way, and so as to prove a model to estate owners elsewhere. When the schools were opened a flood of professors, not a few socialists and many other "mad persons" came to them. The peasants fought in order to get their children into them. For three weeks the schools flourished.

On a January morning when the little Magyar children with red kerchiefs over their heads appeared at the school building they found the door shut. On the door was pasted a notice: "Closed by ordinance dated the 13th of January, 1913, of the Minister of the Interior."

With that ended the school experiment. Had he been a hero of the novel's kind the count probably would have defied the government, fought society, and ended his life in jail or on the gallows. But Count Erwin is not even a suffragette. He is merely a mild, sentimental, earnest, and nice at all to be a hero or a martyr. In this spirit he acted. He has declared that it is impossible for any man with a conscience to live in a country where society and politics are organized as they are in Hungary. And he has left Hungary for free England where a man may be as mad as he likes, "I shall never set foot in Hungary again," are his parting words.

The final step is a petition to the Peith ministry of the interior, demanding "release of Count Erwin Bathany from the state union." That means that the "mad count" wants permission to abandon once and for ever his Hungarian citizenship. It is the only time in history that such a request has been made by a Hungarian noble. It is said that the ministry has already granted the petition and that "Mr. Bathany, British subject, will be the future title and description of Hungary's "mad count."

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Laurier in Toronto, Heard By 7,000; Many Turned Away

THE NAVAL POLICY

Shows the Tory Somersault Under Pressure of the Nationalists and Rides the "Emergency" Cry—Liberal Chieftain in Stirring Speech

Toronto, May 6.—This Conservative stronghold turned out in tremendous numbers tonight to hear Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The arena, in which the meeting was held, accommodated something over 7,000 people and then literally thousands were turned away. All those who did get in the enthusiasm was unrestrained and when the leader of the opposition arose to speak he was given a remarkable ovation.

On the platform with him were Hon. G. P. Graham, Hon. Charles Murphy and Dr. Michael Clark, besides many local Liberals of prominence. Hon. MacKenzie King was chairman of the meeting.

Sir Wilfrid said in part: "The object which brings us among you is to place before you, to submit to your judgment, and to your appreciation, and, as I hope, your approval, the policy of the Liberal party upon the now acute question of naval defence, and the course that we have followed through the present session of parliament."

"The government brought in the measure appropriating \$35,000,000 to build three of the most powerful battleships which money could buy or science devise, and make not a present of them to the British government, but loan them for the time being to the imperial government—to the admiralty."

"This was done upon the assertion of the government that the naval forces of Great Britain at the present day are inadequate to meet the requirements of the situation. We challenged the government upon the position they took and they failed to substantiate their statements and we have taken the position which I am now presenting to you here."

"It is the part of Canada to come forward and take her share in the defence, that the boats built, so far as it may be done, by Canadian labor, equipped and maintained by Canadian sailors under the control of the Canadian government, of the Canadian parliament and of the Canadian people."

"I will give you here tonight, you citizens of the province of Ontario, do you believe that England is no longer England, and that she cannot fight her own battles, as she has done for so many centuries in the past?" "I do not believe such a statement as that. The evidence has not come to us, for the simple reason that the first lot of the admiralty has on more than one occasion said that England learns nothing, and let the enemy come whenever he please he will find the British navy equal to any emergency that may be placed upon it."

"I ask my friends of Conservative persuasion to let me tell you that this policy was adopted by the two parties in the house of commons. The motion was made by Mr. Foster, an amendment was suggested by me, a further amendment was suggested by Mr. Borden, which I accepted, and in this unanimous decision that the time had come, and that parliament was recommended the creation of a Canadian navy in close co-operation with the British admiralty."

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