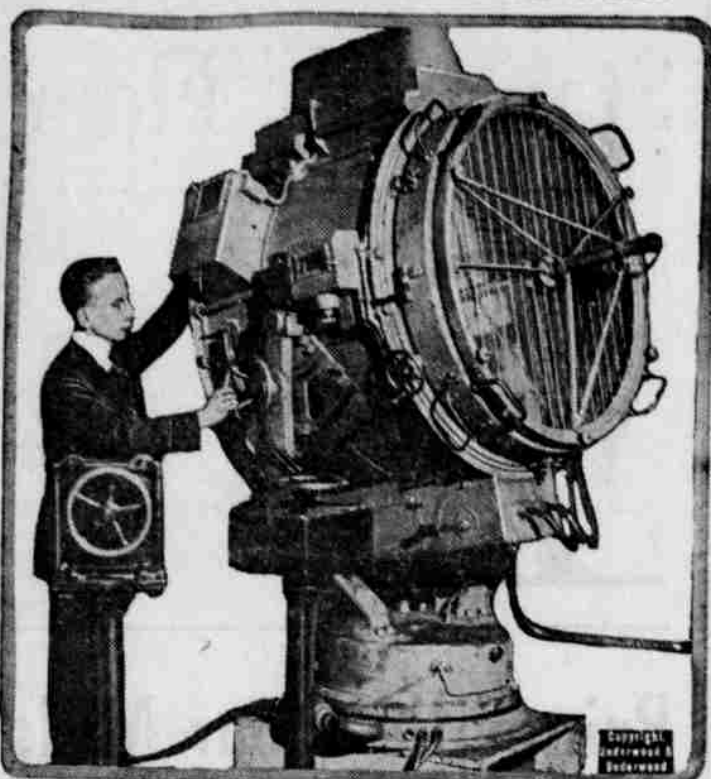


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MRS. LEEDS NOT ROYAL PRINCESS

Recent Marriage to Christopher of Greece Did Not Give Her That Status.

PRINCE RENOUNCES HIS RANK

American Woman's Only Title Now Is Countess Gluecksburg, Official Athens Gazette Says—Similar Cases Recalled.

New York.—Cable dispatches from Athens effectively contradict the assumption that Mrs. William B. Leeds, through her recent marriage to Prince Christopher, youngest brother of former King Constantine of Greece, acquired the status of a princess of the blood and the title of "Royal Highness." The latest issues of the Official Gazette of Athens publish an announcement by the Hellenic government, in the name of the crown, that Prince Christopher, before he married Mrs. Leeds, was obliged to renounce his rank as a prince of the sovereign house of Greece and his place in the line of succession to the throne. The renunciation automatically erased his name from the official roster of the princes and princesses of the royal house.

Renounces Danish Rank.

Nor was this the only renunciation that the prince was compelled to make in order to obtain the consent of his brother, the present King Alexander, and the consent of the Hellenic government. He was a royal prince of Denmark, and he was obliged to renounce his Danish royal rank and his place in the line of Danish succession. His father, the late King George, assassinated at Salonika in 1913, was a prince of the reigning house of Denmark prior to his election to the throne of Greece. He was so apprehensive as to the tenure of his kingship in Greece that he required the protecting powers, Great Britain, France and Russia, to guarantee him an income of \$80,000 a year as long as he lived, and to permit him to retain his royal rank and status in the house of Denmark. All of his sons and grandsons continue, therefore, to rank as princes of Denmark, all except Christopher. The king and government of Denmark agreed to give

ALL GERMAN SHELLS LEFT



All that German shell fire left of a church in northern France was this font, about which, in the deep grass, a family is shown, gathered for the baptism of a child.

Device Shoots Words as Gun Shoots Shells

London.—In a small room at the Imperial College of Technology, South Kensington, Prof. A. O. Rankine is perfecting an instrument which shoots messages as a gun shoots shells.

A person talking into a trumpet attached to a minute mirror reflecting a strong light can send a message to any distance reached by the light without fear of the words being intercepted, it is said.

The words spoken can be heard distinctly half a mile away and are transmitted through projectors to an electric battery attached to a piece of selenium fitted to an ordinary telephone receiver. The larger the receiving battery the greater distance can the message be sent.

only title that the former Mrs. Leeds may lay claim to. She is not a princess of either Greece or Denmark, and on her appearance at any monarchical court would have to be content with the title of Countess Gluecksburg.

A Similar Case.

A former instance of similar renunciation occurred when Prince Aage of Denmark, eldest son of Prince Waldemar and of Princess Marie of France, married the daughter of Count Calvi di Bergolo, minister plenipotentiary of Italy at Copenhagen. He was not permitted to marry the girl he loved until he surrendered his royal rank and right of succession and had accepted the rank of ordinary noble with the title of Count Rosenberg.

Still another case was that of Prince Frederick of Schleswig-Holstein, who fell in love with Miss Mary Esther Lee of New York and was not permitted to marry her, as he did in 1884, until he had definitely renounced his status and prerogatives as a prince of the blood. Still another instance was that of Duke Henry Borwin of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who married the former Miss Elizabeth Pratt of Kingston, N. Y., at Dover, England, in 1911. The marriage was declared invalid in 1913 by the Supreme Court of the Grand Duchy because it was held that the duke had evaded and violated the laws of his country by marrying without official sanction.

In all the long list of American women that have married foreigners of rank and title, only one, Miss Alice Heine of New Orleans, ever entered the royal circle. Her first husband was Armand, Duc de Richelleu, and after his death she became the consort of Albert, prince of Monaco, a ruling sovereign in his own right.

The output of maple sugar in the province of Quebec is about 15,000,000 pounds a year.

Finds \$1,200,000 Order; Returns It; Reward of \$2

New York.—Harry Hahn, seventeen years old, stepped on a piece of paper on lower Broadway. He picked it up and found that it was an order on the Bank of Montreal to give the bearer \$1,200,000 in railroad bonds. The boy returned it to a brokerage firm and received a reward of \$2 and the information that he was an honest lad.

their consent to the marriage only after this further renunciation.

According to the Official Gazette, the former Prince Christopher was rewarded for the various surrenders of royal rank with the consent of the kings and governments of Greece and Denmark to the union with Mrs. Leeds and with the rank of count in the Danish nobility. His title is now Count Gluecksburg, and that is the

GERMANY SWEEPED BY CRIME WAVE

Burglars, Holdup Men and "Aristocratic Swindlers" Are Reaping Harvest.

MURDERERS ALSO ARE BUSY

Cafes and American Bars Are Resorts for Pickpockets and Thieves—Smashed Skulls an Everyday Occurrence in German Capital.

Berlin.—Berlin is being swept by a crime wave such as perhaps no city in Europe has known in modern times. A German minister remarked a few days ago that profiteering now is hardly considered a crime, and that if it were possible to the every profiteer in Berlin to a lamp post there would not be enough lamp posts.

However, it is not alone the profiteer who holds Berlin in his iron grasp. Equally menacing is the daring burglar who will not stop even at murder; the outlaw who defies the law and all authority and who holds up men and women in the street or in the road; the so-called "aristocratic swindler," who, with an imposing title and a female companion, preys on the stranger and finds his victims in the expensive hotels and restaurants.

It has been remarked truthfully that it would be difficult to recall in modern history a happier hunting ground for cutthroats and rogues than is the German capital. Indeed, life here has reached such a state of insecurity that it now takes much to shock or even cause a thrill of interest among the people, so accustomed have they grown to murders and robberies and unnatural crimes.

Nails Children in Barrel.

Many of these crimes which are being committed in Berlin are unexplainable from human standpoints. For instance, a case was reported where two children remained away from their home too long on the occasion of their mother's birthday. When they returned home their mother dragged them to the garret, thrust them into a barrel and nailed down the cover. Another case was that of the murder of a feeble and aged fortune teller for the sake of a few coins which she had saved.

In the midst of the daily and nightly holdups and the murder wave which is sweeping Berlin there was one case which attracted wide attention because of its horror. It was known as the Falkenhagen Forest murders. The murderer when he was arrested was unable to remember all the murders he had committed or his outrages on innocent persons. In one instance he locked his victims in a house and set fire to it, meanwhile shooting into the house while it burned.

The exploits of the Strauss brothers was another case which attracted wide attention here. Before the war these two men were burglars. One of them interrupted his criminal career to fight for Germany. He won the Iron Cross, but as soon as hostilities ceased returned home and joined his brother in the old pursuits. Finally they were arrested, but one of them managed to escape from prison.

Frees Brother From Jail.

He soon returned to the jail, however, overcame all opposition and released his brother, with the result that they went back to the business of robbery. A nationwide hunt for them followed. When the police located them there was a battle in which two policemen were killed and two wounded, and the Strauss brothers again succeeded in escaping. Finally they were arrested in the east end of Berlin.

Almost daily one hears of somebody's skull having been smashed "only a few blocks from where I live" or that somebody was stunned and robbed "before my eyes." The police seem powerless to control the situation.

The so-called "aristocratic swindler" and robber is reaping a harvest. He finds his prey usually in an American bar, becomes acquainted with the man he intends to rob and offers him a "prepared" cigarette, which promptly blinds the victim. The thief then proceeds to pick his victim's pocket in a leisurely and dignified way.

Street battles between robbers and persons whom they would rob are frequent occurrences. In one of these battles in the Wedding district recently two civil guards and a burglar were killed. On another occasion two parties searching for a thief fired on each other in the dark with fatal consequences.

FROWN ON TOO MUCH LOVE

Family Authorities in Japan Discourage Anything Like a Surplus of Conjugal Affection.

The general rule of life is that the woman stays when her husband loves her, but there is one little country in the world where the women not infrequently are sent home by their in-laws because their husbands love them too much.

That country is Japan, we are told by Amos S. and Susanne Hershey in their book on modern Japan. This paragraph, one of many interesting ones on the island kingdom, describes the particular condition which sometimes sends the little Jap wife back to her own people:

"In considering the Japanese family one must bear in mind the complete absence of romantic love in marriage and the absence of romantic gallantry in the feudal code of the Samurai. If love develops during wedded life it must not appear in open demonstration, and whenever the demands of duty are pressing affection must be renounced for the higher duty. Indeed, it has not been an uncommon occurrence for a wife to be sent home because her husband was too fond of her, as too much affection for a wife was considered a sign of weakness and demoralization in the husband, which might lead to neglect of other family obligations. Of loyalty and chivalry there was plenty in Bushido or the Way of the Warrior—but it was always between lord and vassal, master and servant, and never included women, at least not during the last ten centuries."

HARD TO GET CONDOR EGGS

Only Seven Are Known to Be in Existence, and the Bird Itself Is Near Extinction.

The Academy of Science in Philadelphia, some years ago, lost an egg. Presumably it was stolen. It was the egg of a California condor, and worth a lot of money.

Only seven eggs of that bird are known to exist in collections. It frequents the most inaccessible peaks in southern California, and hatches its young at dizzy heights in caves in the faces of cliffs. Thus the task of procuring an egg is one involving utmost danger.

The species, a gigantic vulture, has been almost exterminated. Cattlemen and sheepmen poison carcasses to destroy wolves and bears; the condors eat the bait and die.

That an ostrich egg may be dangerous, if overripe, was discovered a while ago by Doctor Bauer of the Smithsonian Institution. While he was boring a hole in one, it exploded, the flying fragments cutting him badly.

The eggs of some orioles are marked with grotesque figures, often resembling Chinese characters. Experts in oriental languages have on occasions been asked to read them, but no satisfactory translation has been obtained.

Famous Egyptian Queen.

Aames Nefertari was the great actress of the New Empire at Thebes in ancient Egypt, 1700 B. C. This dynasty, the eighteenth, was that of the Thothmes' mighty warriors and builders, and of the famous Hatshepsut-Pharaoh, woman Pharaoh and discoverer. On the rock-tablets of Masarah opposite Memphis on the Nile, and in the sepulchral chambers of the Theban Necropolis, this great woman is remembered as "the beautiful consort of Aames," and as "the wife of the god Amon" (Amon-Ra). On her head she wore not only the crown of Egypt united, but the vulture head-dress signifying motherhood, for the "vulture" was the symbol of Mut, the second person in the Egyptian triad of gods at Thebes—Amon, Mut, Khonsu.

Great Names Worthily Borne.

Somebody of an inquiring mentality and a good stock of patience has been examining the personnel of the United States army and makes the interesting discovery that whereas there was only one George Washington in the army of 1776 there were seventy-four George Washingtons in the army of 1917-1918. Two Ulysses S. Grants and five Ulysses Grants took the field against Prussianism; and with them marched seventy-nine Robert E. Lees, an impressive tribute, by the way, to the enduring quality of the affection and admiration that the great southern general inspired.

Lands in Texas.

The federal government never owned any of the public lands in Texas. It was a republic for some years before it entered the union of states. When it came into the Union it was stipulated by joint resolution of Congress, passed March 1, 1845, that Texas was to "retain all vacant and unappropriated lands within its limits to be applied to the payment of the debts and liabilities of the said republic of Texas," etc. The state established its own land office, made grants to railroads, etc., and made its own settlement laws.

Study the Ten Commandments.

In almost every part of the British empire provision is made for children to learn the Ten Commandments in school hours. A New Zealand circular urges that a "knowledge of these laws is in the interests of character-building and good citizenship, and is also an aid to good government."

IDEAS IN FROCKS

Pannier Model Among Latest, London Writer Says.

Style is Declared to Be Decided Departure From Slim Outline of Chemise Dress.

Among the new ideas in dress, which are now appearing, is the pannier frock, writes a London fashion correspondent in the Christian Science Monitor. It is a decided departure from the slim outline of the chemise dress, which has been our grand standby for so long. Of course, we are



Variation of Pannier Frock.

not going to wear panniers in any literal sense of the word, but this new mode demands that we shall be draped or frilled or bunched at the hips in order to obtain the new silhouette.

Some of the stiffer silks, printed or woven with little bunches of flowers of charming old-world design, are admirably suited to express this fashion; and shot taffeta, which has been little used of late and which was in no way suitable for the long lines of the chemise dress, will again come into its own. Little kilted frills and ruches with frayed edges will take the place of fringe in the way of trimming, and this should be pleasing news, as most persons will agree that the fringe has been terribly overdone. Quite tiny fringe may still be used for edging frills, but the long shaggy kind, so strangely reminiscent of the cave-woman, which used to hang the entire length of a skirt, has gone, let us hope, forever.

A dress which showed one way of expressing the pannier style, was made of taffeta, changing from peacock blue to old gold. The top layer of the three-decker skirt flared more than the others and was bunched up at the sides. The bodice crossed over in front and fastened at one side, showing a little vest of peacock blue nixon, embroidered with a fine gold thread.

Now, it is obvious that this style of dress will not suit every one though its "bunchiness" can be reduced to a minimum. Also, it must not be imagined

ROBES FOR SLEEPING HOURS

Light and Dull Garments, Latest Fashions; Different From Old-Time Nightgown.

Slumber robes light and slumber robes dull is fashion's program for the present season. Very different, indeed, from the old-time nightgown are the new robes for sleeping hours. From black to white, with all the colors between, is the wide variety of colors one has to select from. Fine lingerie, batiste, French voile, crepe de chine, washable satin, georgette, chiffon and crepe de meteor are among the materials one finds for bed-time wear.

A dainty nightie that is simple, yet effective, comes in white French voile, double crossed with rose. It is a sleeveless model shaped to a point on either shoulder and edged with fine fllet edging. The bottom is also shaped and is cut up slightly at the sides. It is finished with the fllet, and shows bits of old blue ribbon both on the shoulders and bottom. To define an empire waistline there is a row of beading with old blue ribbon drawn through.

This delightful model also comes in white voile, with squares marked in lettuce green and trimmed with pale lavender squaros, or you may choose squares of orchid on a white background with light green ribbons.

Blazie slumber robes select black georgette crepe for their material and fine chantilly or venetian lace for their decoration. One interesting "nightie" favors a deep yoke of the lace, and accordion plaits on the lower

that the one-piece dress is going to disappear or become demode; it is far too useful and convenient a garment for that, and it can be made with just an indication of the new outline in the way of a tendency to drape slightly at the sides.

The coat and skirt of the more drowsy or "dressmaking" order is being cut rather on Louis XV lines. The coats have a decided fullness over the hips, flaring over the narrow skirts, which, by the way, are not quite so narrow or quite so short as recently. The real tailor-made suits, however, pay no attention whatever to this change of outline, but continue to be built on straight and narrow lines.

DOING SHOPPING FOR BABY

Searching for Apparel for the Wee Tot Affords Delight and Diversion.

The fascinating garments and other personal belongings provided for the wee baby and the baby of one or two important years are nurseries of elfin daintiness that lend a peculiar delight to baby shopping.

Exquisite handwork is lavished on the making and ornamentation of the wee baby's wardrobe. Tiny tucks, hemstitching, feather stitching and needlework of all kinds with a very little hand embroidery and lace decorate the small dresses, but as a rule these are very sparingly used, a refinement of simplicity being the desirable end to attain.

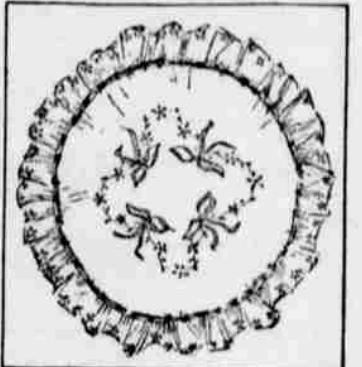
The very first little frocks are simply gathered into an embroidered and lace-trimmed neckband, but for later wear dresses are made with round, square or scalloped yokes delicately embroidered and set on the frock with valenciennes insertion.

While the bottoms of the dresses are usually hemstitched many are finished with fine tucks and edged with valenciennes either set on flat or edging a tiny ruffle. This rule of restraint in trimming is occasionally broken in favor of a beautifully embroidered christening robe which is intended to be worn only on that and other state occasions and then to be carefully laid aside for sentiment's sake.

HOME-MADE BOUDOIR PILLOW

Decoration Easily Produced by the Matron Who Delights in Fancy Needlework.

This moon-shaped pillow of sheerest lawn is but a trifle for skillful fingers to fashion. A wreath of tiny pink roses, caught in four places by the jauntiest of delicate bows outlined



Combination of Frills and Bows.

In blue, decorates the center. The frill of embroidered lawn is easily purchased by the yard, and is an exquisite finish for the frail boudoir pillow.—The Christian Science Monitor.

Small Rings as Trimming.

Small rings sewed on to blouses and frocks as ornaments are much in vogue. They are used instead of bead trimming and sometimes in connection with strands of beads, the steel rings being very effective with steel beads in strands.

Belts to Be Worn.

Following their introduction in plain, conservative styles, belts designed to be worn by women with their coats or suits are now being developed in most novel patterns. Besides a variety of leathers and imitation leathers, stitching in different colors is used to add to the attraction of these articles. Designs are also worked out by cutting the facing. Belts of the sort described are found on the majority of coats and suits selling to the popular priced trade, and during the coming spring at least there is promised more of a vogue for belts for women than for men.

Fetching Dance Frock.

A smart dance frock recently seen was of pale pink taffeta with the drapery at either side of the skirt arranged in a sort of jabot effect, the taffeta being so caught in as to reveal a petticoat of silver lace. The bodice was of the silver lace over the taffeta. A single panel sash finished the frock at the back.