

"BABUSHKA" WELL KNOWN IN AMERICA

Kerensky Honors Aged Woman Who is Called Grandmother of the Revolution.

HOME IN WINTER PALACE

Touching Friendship Shown Between Premier and Woman Whose Life Has Been Devoted to Bringing Democracy to Slavs.

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Katherine Brashovskaya is well known in America. She came here years ago to secure aid for the revolution. I felt a sort of vague connection with her because she knew friends of mine at home and so she was one of the first persons I sought out when I reached Petrograd.



"THE OLD BRASHOVSKY, WHO WISHES TO BE EVER A FRIEND OF YOURS."

that time there was still serfdom in Russia. The impression of the eyes of the people had entered so deeply into my child's soul that it did not leave me during the whole of my life.

"I was waiting for the ringing of the bells, announcing freedom, and I was wondering why the bells made me wait. And just when in November last, bursts of indignation took place, when angry shouts were being transmitted from one group of the population to other, I was standing already, with one foot in the Siberian sledge and was sorry that the winter road was fast getting spoiled.

"I was ushered right into Babushka's room. It was a small room, about the size of an ordinary hotel bedroom. There was a desk in one corner, a table and a chair, a bed, a washstand and a bed. It was the kind of room you would pay \$2 or \$3 a night for in an American hotel.

"Babushka came forward and shook hands with me. 'You look like an American,' she said. 'Now, did you come all the way from America to see what we're doing with our revolution?'

"We sat down on the couch and Babushka went on talking about America, of which she seemed particularly fond. She mentioned many well-known writers here and called them 'her children.' I said, 'How does it seem to be here in the palace?'

"Why, I don't like it at all," answered Babushka. "There is something about palaces that makes me think of prison. Whenever I go out in the corridor—did you notice the corridor—I have a feeling that I must be back in prison. It's gloomy and forbidding and dark. Personally, I'd love to have a little house somewhere, with plants in the windows and a garden, and I can do as I please. But I stay here because 'this man' wants me to."

"This man" was Kerensky. There was a touching friendship between Babushka and Kerensky. In the swift whirl of events of the old grandmother was in danger of being forgotten after people got over celebrating the downfall of the Romanoffs.

"But Kerensky did not forget. He made her think that she was very necessary to the new government of Russia. He showed her advice on all sorts of things, but whether he ever took it or not is very doubtful. He said her public homage on many occasions and the loved him like a son.

"I saw Babushka a good many times after that and found why she lived in this back room on the top floor of the Winter Palace. First, because she chose to live there. They had offered her the choice of the beautiful apartments and she refused anything but this simple room. She insisted on having her bed and all her belongings there.

"Recollections Are Pathetic. I don't know whether it was her long years in prison that made her assume this peculiar attitude or just because she was a simple woman and very close to the people. She wrote a little biography of herself on the way back from Siberia in which she said: 'When I think back upon my past life I first of all see myself as a tiny 3-year-old girl who was suffering all this time, whose head was breaking for someone else; now for the driver, then again for the chambermaid, or the laborer or the oppressed peasant—for all

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206 SEEK OFFICE Candidates Rush at Last Moment to File.

Democratic candidates: Member of National committee—Will H. Henshler, Albany; J. W. Morrow, Portland. United States Senator in Congress (long term)—Will R. King, Ontario; Oswald West, Portland.

SIX TRYING FOR GOVERNOR Of State Departments Only Attorney-General and Superintendent of Schools Have Clear Field in May Primaries.

(Continued From First Page.) Albany: Charles A. Johns, Portland; John S. Coker, Marshfield. Attorney-General—George M. Brown, Roseburg. Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. A. Churshill, Baker. Labor Commissioner—C. H. Gram, William A. Daisel, John Holston, John C. Nickum, all of Portland.

LIKINS FOUND IN STREET Newspaper Worker Removed to Hospital, Unconscious.

Clarence Likins, 1184 Ivy street, of the circulation department of the Oregonian, was picked up in an unconscious condition at East Twelfth and Clinton streets at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by Motorman Stewart, of a Seaside car. He was taken to the Seaside Hospital and placed under the care of Dr. John Beason.

4 BAND BIDS SUBMITTED Offers for Summer Concerts Range From \$4455 to \$4560.

Four band leaders yesterday entered the competition for the contract for furnishing park band concerts in Portland next summer. Bids were opened yesterday. Each bidder submitted figures for four concerts a week by a band of 21 pieces.

Land Opening May Come Later. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 12.—(Special.)—The Oregon delegation has received telegrams from George A. Brown and others of Portland, asking for legislation which will delay opening the agricultural lands of the Oregon and California land grant to homestead entry until after the close of the war in order that returning soldiers may have the first chance of establishing homes on this tract.

Two at Gladstone Have Smallpox. OREGON CITY, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—A malignant case of smallpox has broken out in the family of Clyde Brayton, of Gladstone. Mr. Brayton and a son are the victims. Mr. Brayton and family recently arrived in Oregon City from Newberg and say that they contracted the disease at a local hotel, as there were no cases in Newberg. In the case of this disease existed at the hotel where Mr. Brayton and family stayed while they were looking for a home.

Orchards Smithy in France. VANCOUVER, Wash., April 12.—(Special.)—Fritz Moor, erstwhile villain of the underworld, is now in the S. A. Theater, April 25 and 30, and will be called "A Night in a Cabaret." It will be a musical comedy. M. S. Cohen, C. A. McDonald and Clement Scott have been appointed on a committee to put on the show.

Vancouver Elks to Give Show. VANCOUVER, Wash., April 12.—(Special.)—The annual Elks' show will be held in this city this year in the S. A. Theater, April 25 and 30, and will be called "A Night in a Cabaret." It will be a musical comedy. M. S. Cohen, C. A. McDonald and Clement Scott have been appointed on a committee to put on the show.

TURKS LOSE IN ATTACK BRITISH IN PALESTINE SMASH ATTEMPTED OFFENSIVE. Ottomans With Assistance of German Masters Try to Cut Railway and Capture Port of Jaffa.

LONDON, April 12.—The Turkish and German forces in Palestine on Wednesday opened an offensive, attacking the British front near the coast, the War Office announced. The statement follows: "On the morning of April 10, after a short bombardment, the enemy es-

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YANKEES BEAT HUNS Attempted Raid Near Toul Is Ignominiously Crushed. YANKEE SKILL IS PRAISED

With the American Army in France, April 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—In the raid carried out by the Germans on Wednesday against the American northwest of Toul, the enemy intended to penetrate to the third line positions, according to information obtained from a prisoner. This is corroborated by material found on dead German batteries, which were dynamite, trenching tools and other implements for organizing the positions. The Americans knew in advance of the proposed attack through information obtained a day or two previously from prisoners captured by the French on an adjacent sector.

OLD INJURY PROVES FATAL C. W. Hodges, With Back Broken Two Years Ago, Dies at Eugene. EUGENE, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—C. W. Hodges, of Coburg, who had his back broken two years ago last January, died at the Mercy Hospital in this city tonight. Mr. Hodges was a patient in the Harrisburg Hospital for nine months. He was then taken to his home. Last week his condition became critical and he was brought to Eugene.

VERMILION BUSINESS DISTRICT BURNS. VERMILION, Alberta, April 12.—Fire yesterday swept Vermilion, destroying every business block but one. Loss was estimated at \$500,000. Firemen from nearby cities helped atop the flames.

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