Special Cables From The Journal-Chicago Daily News Correspondents

NATIONALIZATION OF RUSS WOMEN

Report Had Its Inception in Facetious Article Published by a Humorist in Petrograd.

THE IDEA PROVOKES MIRTH

Possibility of Such a Thing Coming to Pass Creates Only place of residence.

By Isaac Don Levine.

Special Correspondence of The Journal and The Chicago News. Stockholm, Sweden, July 8.-

"Are you nationalized?" With this question on my lips I started out the first day of my arrival in Russia to ascertain the truth regarding the story of the national- and ization of women in Russia, widely

circulated abroad. credit such reports. But none, not even the two daughters of an out and out bourgeeis, who have nothing but hatred for the soviet regime, would admit that a decree for the nationalization of women has ever been promulgated by the government.

RUSSIANS LAUGH AT IT

without mirth. People simply will not take you seriously if you try to delve into the matter. At least nobody took Indeed, marriage in soviet Russia is me seriously when I pleaded that it was not much different from marriage in the important for the American public to United States. The same is true of the tory girls, to stenographers, to domes-tic servants, to students, to idlers, and finally to the Galli-Curci of Russia, Nezhdanova, the prima donna of the Moscow opera, but all my efforts to find any nationalized women were in vian. PRODUCT OF HUMQRIST

ers on its staff. One of them, upon the exclusively among people who had been with famine. Small pox and other danpromulgation of the soviet decree sim- unable to separate legally under the old gerous diseases are also harrying Riga.

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of going a little further and outlining a decree for the nationalization of women. This product of the fertile imagination of a clever humorist was duly carried abroad and translated and pub-lished in Breat Britain as an authentic

view there is nothing strikingly radical about it. The full text of the decree, promuigated under the signatures of the Bolsheviki into power she escree, promuigated under the signatures. of Lenine and the then president of the caped, leaving the apartment in charge central executive committee of the sov- of a servant. That was more than a iets, Sverdlov, follows:

CIVIL MARRIAGES RECOGNIZED The Russian republic henceforth recognizes only civil marriages. "Civil marriage is performed in ac-

and births at the city, district, county dwellings, mostly deserted by their ownor village administration board of their ers, were taken over by the govern-

"Note. Religious marriage, contract- basements moved into them. Laughter Among Both Sexes. ed parallel with the compulsory civil

married are not accepted: "(a) From males under 18 years of allot them to some needy persons. In age and females under 16. In trans-Caucasia the natives can contract mar-pied, paying 400 rubles a month (\$200) riage when the groom is 16 and the to the city treasury, as all houses have

bride is 13. "(b) From direct line relatives, full and half brothers and sisters. "(c) From people who are married,

"(d) From demented persons. NO FALSE STATEMENTS TAKEN

The reception that this question got from the first 10 women that I put it to was mixed. Some were thoroughly indignant, being entirely ignorant of under their signatures that the above "3. The persons wishing to marry apthe yarn about the soviet nationaliza-tion of women which the western world has spun and cultivated. Others were amused, expressing their wonderment found guilty of making intentionally RED FINNS ARE GENTLE how any intelligent person could ever false statements are held criminally responsible and their marriage is declared

"4. Upon the affixing of their signatures, the director of the section regis- shevist measures and declared themters the marrying couple and declares the marriage legally performed. The marrying persons are given the freedom to determine whether they should fors would have the world believe it, As seen as one finds one's self in Rus- go under the name of the husband, the is absurd. Perhaps if they did, Petrosia in the company of the fair sex. the wife, or their joint name. In testimony grad would be the better for it. For story of nationalization of the Russian of the event of the marriage the marwomen appears as a huge falsehood, so ried couple immediately receive a copy Russian Bolsheviki.

know the truth about it. I probably met home. A communist's home differs litas many as a hundred women in all walks of life during my stay in Petrograd and in Moscow. I spoke to factory and the fact that the communist lives in a flat furnished not by him. I had the good fortune of falling into a typical Bolshevist home upon my arrival in Petrograd. My host was the youthful commandant of Beloostrav, a Petrograd the soviets. It had some clever writ- thousands of divorces in Russia, almost and wet weather and Riga is confronted public they will vote against him.

plifying marriage, conceived the idea regime. But things soon stabilized, and now the number of divorces is surprisingly low.

APARTMENT WAS NOT LOOTED

The home in which I lived in Petrolished in Breat Britain as an according to the government proclamation.

Perhaps from the point of view of the eld Russian order of life, the sovjet marriage decree was a startling nowelty. But from the American point of elty. But from the American point of the companion of the house. It was reception room of the house. It was reception room of the house. It was reception room of the house. year ago: There were thousands of others who did likewise. The surprising thing about it all is that these apart-ments have not been looted. It was amazing to find the dishes, the rugs, the paintings, the grand piane, the many cordance with the following regula- leather chairs-and leather is a precious article in Russia-the silver and even "The persons desiring to contract a the bric-a-brac untouched. Every artimarriage apply either personally or through a written declaration to the section for the registration of marriages other houses. Altogether 3000 such ment, and workmen from tenements and

One is not allowed to occupy alone marriage, is the private affair of the marrying persons.

"2. Declarations of intentions to get rooms, the government would requisition three or four of these rooms and Special Cable to The Journal and The Chicago been municipalized, there dwelt three the central executive committee of the German Austrians, and is an importcommunist party. My first evening in Petrograd I met Sirol and ant junction point on the Trieste committee, and to my great surprise I bank of the river Drave, which, acabroad as the terror of Petrograd.

> The so-called red Finns, instead of former members of the Finnish Socialist government, were not afraid to state their disapproval of some of the Bol-

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By Bassett Digby

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Marburg Incident, by Which Ethnical Boundary Is Disregarded by Allies, Seen as Menace.

ITALY RESENTS THE ACTION

Americans and British Rally to Support of French in Upholding Claims of the Jugo-Slavs.

By Paul Scott Mowrer

Daily News.
(Copyright, 1919, by Chicago Daily News Co.) Paris, France, Sept. 5 .- The Marburg incident seems to have thrown more persons. One of them was a confusion into the final deliberations brother of the hostess. Another was on the Austrian treaty. Marburg is Kusinn, one of the leading members of a town of 30,000 inhabitants, mostly Rahja, two other members of the same Vienna railway. It lies on the north nish reds, who have been described cording to American experts, marks a natural ethnical boundary between the German Austrians and the Slavs. The Jugo-Slavs want control of this being terrorists, turned out to be the function and also want the Marburggentlest of men. Sirola and Kusinen, Klagenfurt railway, which runs partly north of the river.

> The original text of the Austrian treaty provided a plebiscite for the Klagenfurt region. This provision was suddenly withdrawn and then put back again and still stands.

> Signor Tittoni made a formal proposal to extend the region of the plebiscite eastward to include Marburg, which everyone agrees is a German town, but which the treaty has accorded outright to Jugo-Slavia. The American and British delegates

promptly supported the Italians. The French, representing Jugo-Slav interests, made counter proposals tending Flour in Stockholm to extend the zone of the plebiscite so far southward into territory inhabited by Slavs that a Slav majority in the plebiscite would be assured.

Last week, to the amazement of the Italians, the British and American delegates rallied to the French viewpoint, Stockholm, Sweden, Sept. 5. - The thus practically insuring Marburg to the American supplies in Lettland having Jugo-Slavs. The Italians express the factory workman of Finnish origin, 24 proved to be gravely insufficient, the fear that if this position is maintained years of age. He had been married for Lettish government's representative here nothing can save the Renner government years of age. He had been married for Lettish government's representative here nothing can save the Renner government three years, but had not been divorced has asked the Swedish government to in Austria, for the Styrian and Carinth-How did the fairy tale of the nation-even once! And this in spite of the permit the purchase of flour in Stock-alization of women originate? There comparative ease with which a divorce holm from her state stores and from given Renner a warning that if he does was a humorous weekly in Petrograd, can be obtained in soviet Russia. In the private persons. The harvest in Lett- not obtain the German towns of Klagen-It was hostile to the Bolsheviki and to first months there were hundreds of land has been delayed because of cold furt and Marburg for the Austrian re-

Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm Buys 'Heus te Doorn' For Permanent Home

Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News. (Copyright, 1919, by Chicago Daily News Co.) Amsterdam, Holland, Sept. 5 .- The fact that the former German kaiser has bought the country house "hues te doorn" near Amerongen in order to re-side definitely in Holland has stirred Dutch public opinion. Holland has already paid 20,000 guilders (\$8000) since lovember, 1918, for watching the exkalser and is wondering whether the costly foreigner will remain a charge of the Dutch government for a very long time. It is understood that the exkalser will not remove to his new residence before the late fall. The house remains unaltered. The "huls te doorn" is a very old manor-seat dating from the early part of the fourteenth century.



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At that time it was the residence of invasion of Holland by dethroned Ger-the powerful provests of Martinmas. In man princes.

Ambitious Program Announced by Party Of Young Japanese

By Ernest W. Clement Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News. Louisa of Prussia, daughter of the former kaiser, who in 1913 was married to Duke Ernst of Brunswick, grandson of Duke Ernst of Brunswick, grandson of Tokyo, Japan, Sept. 5.—Forty prominent publicists and rising young men inent publicists and rising young men newspapers now warn against the pacific have organized for the purpose of re-

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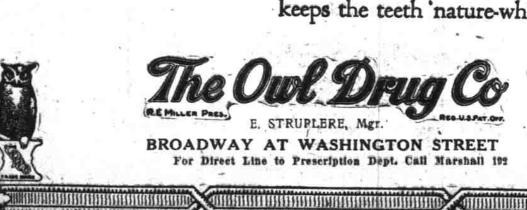
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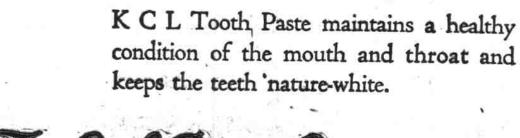
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