

CZARINA EVIL STAR OF RUSSIA SAYS RUSSELL

Rasputin Scandal and Czarina's German Leanings Brought on the Russian Revolution - Every Royal Family in Europe of German Blood and a German is Always a German.

This is another of the series of articles by Charles Edward Russell, who has just returned from Russia, where he spent three months as a member of the official United States commission to the new Russian government.

By Charles Edward Russell. (Copyright 1917 by the Newspaper Enterprise Association.) "What I should like to see," said a sturdy American one day at dinner in the Winter Palace, "is an international law absolutely forbidding any German prince or princess to marry anybody outside of Germany, henceforth and forever."

He plumped this out in the midst of a conversation so that everybody got the full wallop of it. Our English guests naturally looked unhappy and made no comment, but the rest of the table applauded.

Evil Genius of Russia. We had been talking about the Evil Genius of Russia, which was the present Mrs. N. Romanoff, late czarina and Head Trouble Maker. She had helped a lot to put the Romanoff family out of business. Also to enable about 30 representatives of democracies then assembled to sit at ease about her late table.

What was about a million times more important, she had had a hand, without knowing it or meaning it, in bringing on the Russian revolution, the best thing that has happened since the fall of the Bastille.

The reason our English friends looked so sad at the mention of the subject is because the royal family of England is about all German and many of its marriages in the last 60 years have been with German princes or princesses.

Curse of Monarchy. The curse of monarchy is real, persistent and terrible. Monarchy is an utterly lunatic and poisonous institution that should have been abolished from the face of the earth 140 years ago. The price that Europe has since paid for clinging to the worn out old bunk is appalling.

Witness this war. Also the fact that the war was not ended months ago; also a long array of details that have made a horrible conflict all the worse.

Germany had always an amazing overcrop of princelets and princesses. Elsewhere in the world there were not enough to go around. Consequently the royal family in Europe became German and is German today.

Generally speaking, a German is always a German. No matter where he or she may go, the ties of Germany continue to bind, the thoughts and ambitions continue to be German.

Trouble by Womans. All the trouble in Greece, for instance, was made by a German princess married to the king that the Greek people, for some reason or other, still allowed to mess and mis-handle their affairs.

If Greece had been a republic she would have kept her agreement, landed troops at the Dardanelles, taken Constantinople, put Turkey out and enabled the war to end in the autumn of 1915.

But about this czarina of Russia. She was a German princess, and altho the country upon whose throne she sat was at war with Germany, she betrayed the country she helped to misrule for the sake of the country of her birth.

She was proud, arrogant, over-bearing, neurotic, unpopular. She had her way absolute! with her husband, who was cowed by her ferocious self-will and was a weak man anyway - except when it came to sending revolutionists to the gallows or Siberia.

Czarina's Weak Spots. The czarina likewise had weak spots in her domineering character. She was in deadly fear of assassination and she was almost insanely superstitious.

There is abundant evidence that from the beginning of the war she had the purpose to bring about a separate peace between Germany and Russia.

She seems to have been held back by one fear and that was what the Russian people might do to her if they found out her treachery.

According to the story current in

Russia among the best informed persons it was the czarina that elevated Stuermer, the German, to the place of foreign minister, and it was she that urged on the ministers that had arranged Russia's surrender just before the revolution broke. But for the revolution the thing would have gone thru and the 150 German and Austrian divisions now on the Russian front would have been released to be hurled against France.

Before this the czarina had come wholly under the power of that astounding abnormality and villainous fake monk, Rasputin.

Never Was a Monk.

He never was a monk, as a matter of fact, but early in his vicious career he discovered that a pretense of piety was an easy way to win the confidence of the women he preyed upon. For this purpose he proclaimed himself the apostle of a new kind of holiness and put on vestments to which he had no right. Wearing that garb he led a life of shocking immorality.

The czar and czarina had one son and several daughters. For the sake of the succession the czar and his wife were always greatly worried about the health of their son. Rasputin used this feeling to get the czarina in his power.

It is supposed that among other women he had hypnotized was someone that attended upon the prince, and that she was induced to dope the food of her charge. Anyway, Rasputin announced that his constant presence and care were necessary to keep the prince well and when the czarina scoffed at the suggestion he foretold the prince's sickness and went away.

Prince's Illness.

The prince immediately fell ill and continued to be ill in spite of the best efforts of the court physicians. The czarina then fell a-shaking with superstition and gave orders to have the holy man brought back.

Whereupon the prince got well. Soon after that Rasputin became the real directing power of Russia, thru the czarina. She did whatever he told her to do, and he was and had long been in the pay of Germany.

He led the czarina along the way she was perfectly willing to go to a separate peace with Germany. He was the go-between and agent in the negotiations; he is supposed to have fixed the price at which the traitors were to sell themselves.

Scandal Over Rasputin.

Meantime a scandal had arisen and swept all over Russia concerning the relations between Rasputin and the czarina. There may have been no basis for any such reports, but it cannot be denied that the czarina helped them along by behaving without restraint or discretion, and as for Rasputin, he openly boasted when drunk that he had made a conquest of the czarina.

Before long 95 per cent of the Russian people knew the story and believed it. The old respect for the czar had long been dying out. This story finished it.

Pretty nearly everything in this world seems to have a use, soon or late, Rasputin was a beast and a greasy impostor, but he helped on the revolution. And so, strangely enough, did the German princess that had planned to betray Russia and unwittingly saved it.

U-BOAT SUNK BY AMERICANS

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been highly perfected by American ordnance experts and proved very deadly.

If detailed reports bear out the first dispatch, they will signalize the most notable action against submarines since the war began. In no other case has such a wholesale destruction of U-boats been reported. It also will mark a most striking victory for the American naval forces.

The Westwego had an experience with a German submarine before the United States entered the war, having been attacked by one January 1 last while off the coast of England. She was proceeding from an American port with a cargo of oil for Europe when a submarine fired five shots at her from astern. The Westwego's captain, J. S. Muleoy, brought the vessel to a standstill and sent a boat with his papers, whereupon the German submarine commander demanded a supply of oil, threatening to sink the ship if his demands were not complied with. The submarine commander also demanded that the vessel's \$1,000,000 cargo of gasoline be thrown overboard, saying he would give Captain Muleoy until the next morning to comply. Four barrels of cylinder oil were sent to the submarine and the Westwego proceeded. She saw no more of the submarine.

MISSOULA, Mont., Sept. 11.-A quarter-inch of rain fell in Western Montana today. It was the first rain in 94 days, and it extinguished the forest fires that have been burning for the past four months, according to District Forester Rutledge. The rain, according to the county agriculturist, saved the Western Montana winter wheat crop.

A FEW OF THE KOLB AND DILL COMPANY WHICH WILL APPEAR AT THE PAGE, WED. SEPT. 19TH



A gingery ragtime orchestra of the new "jazz" variety, a galaxy of smartly gowned singing girls, each of whom really can sing, a trap drummer who could tap music out of a dressing table with a pair of curling irons, and a coloratura soprano, who takes a high F with ease, are just a few of the features Kolb and Dill will introduce when they appear at the Page Theater Friday, September 19th, in "The High Cost of Loving."

ACADEMY OPENED FOR YEAR'S SCHOOL

"Bon Jour, Madame." That is the way I was greeted the other day by a cheery circle of tiny tots and then the sweet little bell-like voices amused me with a merry French song. No, I was not in France for a visit; they are our own little ones who spoke so well—they are the kindergarten pupils at St. Mary's academy, Medford. These French classes are conducted not only in the kindergarten, but through the primary grades. The school year at the academy has opened with a most promising outlook; everyone is enthusiastic. In addition to the primary, elementary, academic and commercial courses, there has been added a kindergarten, which is fully equipped with the Montessori apparatus. However, the daily work of the little ones is not confined to the Montessori system alone, but is supplemented with primary preparatory that the pupils can be ready for the 1st grade work.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Portland Livestock. PORTLAND, Sept. 11.—Cattle steady; receipts 58. Best beef steers \$8.75@9.35; good beef steers \$7.50@8.75; best beef cows \$6.75@7.50; ordinary to good cows \$4@6.75; best heifers \$7@8; bulls \$4.50@6.75; calves \$7@9.50; stockers and feeders \$4.50@7.25. Hogs higher. Receipts 35. Prime light \$16.75@17; prime heavy \$16.50@16.75; pigs \$14@15.50; bulk \$16.25@16.50. Sheep steady, receipts none. Western lambs \$13@13.50; valley lambs \$11.75@12.50; yearlings \$10@10.50; wethers \$9.75@10.50; ewes \$8@8.50.

Portland Butter.

PORTLAND, Sept. 11.—Butter, steady. City creamery prints 47c; cartons 48c; buying price of butter fat 46@48 Portland; cube extras 4c; prime firsts 4 1/2c; firsts 3 3/4c@4c; dairy 3 1/2c.

Portland Grain.

PORTLAND, Sept. 11.—Wheat, no quotations. Today's car receipts: Wheat 9; barley 8; flour 10; oats 13; hay 19. September delivery bid: Oats No. 2 white feed \$48.50; barley standard feed \$46.50; barley standard brewing \$48; bran \$32; shorts \$34.

Bartlett Pears.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—40 cars California \$2.56; 10 cars Oregon \$2.34; 4 cars Washington \$2.38. Some Oregon's overprice thru lack of refrigeration.

CHICAGO—Washingtons \$1.90; Oregon \$1.85; Colorados \$1.85. BOSTON—Oregon \$2.30; Washingtons \$1.90; California \$2.05. PHILADELPHIA—California \$2.40; Washingtons \$1.75.

ANTIOCH ITEMS

The Chapparel school commenced Monday, Sept. 10th, with Miss Malby as teacher.

Miss Zella Taylor, who has been spending several days with Mrs. Russell and family of the Meadows, returned home Saturday.

Miss Lillian Chapman of Phoenix spent the latter part of the week with home folks at Antioch.

The Glass Bros.' threshing machine came over the river Saturday and is busy threshing in the Antioch precinct.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Chapman and Mrs. Rosecoe Doty and children are visiting friends and relatives in Sams valley and Antioch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Moore are camping at Brown's cabin, looking after their cattle this month.

D. O. Frederick, who has been employed at the Snider's dairy for some time, returned home Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Frederick and their children.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Chapman returned home last week from Crescent City, Calif., where they spent a week on the coast.

Master Loyd Abbott, who has been

J. A. Van Duzen, an efficiency expert, representing the Chandler Motor company of Cleveland, Ohio, delivered an interesting talk on methods of efficiency and the importance of memory in business.

staying with his grandfather, in Medford, for several days, returned home Sunday, accompanied by his grandfather, Mr. W. Smith, Miss Blanche Cox and other relatives. Among those who were traveling and doing business in Medford Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Dell Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. John Bigham, W. C. Chapman and family, and Mr. Wyland and family of the Meadows. Mr. and Mrs. Cort Snyder and children intend to leave Tuesday for Applegate, where they will pick wild blackberries. W. J. Scott of Medford was out looking over his Antioch ranch last Friday. Dr. Kelsey of Gold Hill was up in the valley one day last week on business. Howard Mayfield of the Meadows passed thru the valley last Monday.

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