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Mysterious Grand Duchess Has Arrived in New York

Is Believed to be the Only Surviving Member of the Family of the Late Czar of Russia—Identified by Son of Former Royal Physician—Escaped From the Bolshevik Murderers.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

New York, N. Y., Feb. 9—Bearing a mysterious "Grand Duchess" as one of its 1,095, fretful passengers, the Cunard Liner Berengaria, which since Tuesday had been held at anchor by harbor fog moved up to its dock today 39 hours late. Her name was on the passenger list as "Miss Anastasia Tchaikovsky". Many persons believe she is the Grand Duchess Anastasia, only surviving member of the family of Czar Nicholas the second. One of the believers is Globe E. Bolkin, son of the former royal physician, who escaped through Siberia and Japan to the United States after the Russian revolution. Bolkin has some reputation as an artist.

There are those on the other hand, who contend that the "Grand Duchess" is a demented Polish woman, Francesco Schanzkowsky. Ask Bolkin concerning this heresay and he will shake his head sadly.

Knew Her Since Childhood

"There can be no doubt," he will say. "Could you be mistaken about someone with whom you had been reared as a child?"

Another who is convinced is Mrs. William B. Leeds, the former Princess Zenia who was a third cousin to the Czar's daughters. She is now in the South, but her Long Island home will be opened to receive Anastasia.

The world assumed that the Romanoffs all had been exterminated but two years later a young woman, despairing of life, leaped in the Landwehr Canal at Berlin and was rescued by the police. She declined to discuss her past and was held for observation in the Baldorf Asylum.

Later she said she was the Czar's daughter. She described a thrilling rescue at Ekaterinberg by a red soldier T. Chakovsky.

Saw Family Murdered

After a perilous flight into the Balkans, she said, she married the soldier and subsequently bore her son. She had seen her family murdered, she recounted and had been bayoneted in the mouth. The escape was made by smuggling her unconscious body into a load of hay.

The "Grand Duchess" said that after her husband had died she decided to commit suicide in the Berlin Canal.

Many Russian emigres accepted her claim, which have been scoffed at by the Soviet authorities and denied by other members of the Russian royal family.

PULLETS WERE STOLEN FROM THE ORPHANAGE

St. John, Feb. 9—One of the meanest thieves of the wide world has been in Saint John County, for there has been some one mean enough to rob the henroost at the New Brunswick Protestant Orphanage on the Manawagonish road and make off with 21 young pullets. The pullets were missed on Wednesday morning, and the night time visitor, who had gone off with them, had evidently unlocked the door of the hen house and gained entrance in that way, locking the door securely afterwards. The loss of the laying pullets means a great deal in the household economy of the orphanage, it was said Wednesday night.

The worst will not have happened however until the paper bath towel is invented and thrust upon us.—Bob Ryder, Ohio State Journal.—Might bring temporary surcease of winter itch.

PROVINCIAL POLICEMEN WERE ACQUITTED

Had Speedy Trial Before Judge Bennett at Dorchester — Did Not Shoot to Do Bodily Injury.

Dorchester, N. B., Feb. 8—Sergeant John Annett and Constables Frederick Carson and John Bopy, of the New Brunswick Provincial Police force, who were sent up for trial by Magistrate C. A. Steeves, of Moncton, on a charge of shooting with the intent to maim and wound Joseph Babineau, were tried here today under the speedy trials act by Judge A. W. Bennett and after a session which lasted more than five hours were released. Pending trial the three officers had been allowed their liberty on their own bail of \$500 each.

Refuses to Stop

The case arose out of the shooting by the three officers on the Moncton-Lewisville Road on the morning of January 7 at an alleged run-running automobile when the driver failed to stop, after having been ordered to do so by the officers. It afterwards transpired that Joseph Babineau, of Moncton, had been riding in the car shot at, and one of the bullets was alleged to have shattered the windshield and lodged in his body.

"Not Guilty," Is Plea

The officers pleaded "not guilty," as they had in their preliminary hearing before the police magistrate in Moncton. There were three witnesses for the defence, the three accused, while eight witnesses testified for the prosecution. Joseph Babineau, the wounded man; Dr. Joseph W. Dobson, who had attended him; Arthur Richard, who preferred the charge against the three policemen; Carmen Neilly, John Marrom, Blair Breau, Chief of Police L. S. Hutchinson, of Moncton and John Reicker, clerk of the Moncton police court, who placed on evidence the bullet which was taken out of Babineau's shoulder which was alleged to have been fired by the officers. W. E. McMonagle, appeared as attorney for the defence, while H. M. Lambert, acted as Crown prosecutor.

The defence witnesses testified that according to their orders Sergeant Annett they were ordered to shoot at the car but not to take chances of killing the occupants. Instead their intention had been to puncture the tires of the vehicle or rattle the radiator so that the car would be forced to halt.

Judge Bennett, in delivering judgment, remarked that his finding was that the officers were in no way guilty of attempting purposely to do bodily injury, but the shots had been fired in an attempt to carry out the law.

SIR JAS. DUNN IS EN ROUTE TO BATHURST

Bathurst, Feb. 8—The information has arrived here that Sir James J. Dunn, who in the summer months is a resident of West Bathurst his native place, sailed from England on Wednesday last. His arrival here has been expected for some time and probably will occur late this week. Sir James is expected to land at New York and proceed directly to Bathurst. His presence here will be connected with litigation which has been in connection with the reported transfer of the control of the Bathurst Company, Limited, to Nesbitt, Thompson & Co.

PROTEST FROM GERMANY RE THE CAVIL FILM

Do Not Want Trial and Death of Nurse Depicted.

CRITICISM IN LONDON

The British Govt. Believed to be Sympathetic to Protest.

By HERBERT BAILEY
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

London, Feb. 9—The German Government's protest against the making and exhibition of the film depicting the trial and death of nurse Cavell has aroused a good deal of criticism here. The picture has been made in such a way as to cause the least possible resentment among the Germans. It is designed to show particularly the heroism of Miss Cavell and to point out that things like this are the inevitable outcome of militarism.

The British Government has recently been endeavoring to suppress anything likely to affect the relations between Great Britain and Germany and have even been preventing the stationery office from issuing postcards featuring the signature of the famous German treaty guaranteeing the neutrality of Belgium, now known throughout the world and for all history "as the scrap of paper." The Government is probably sympathetic to Germany's protest against the Cavell film but Herbert Wilcox who produced the picture and Miss Thorndike, famous actress who played nurse Cavell's part, intend to go ahead with its exhibition.

HEAVY FLOODS ARE REPORTED IN SCOTLAND

Special cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press

Glasgow Feb. 9—The worst flood in thirty-four years struck the Loch Lomond side district when the River Leven burst its banks after a heavy over night rain. Loch Lomond has spread its shores to the main road at several points.

AN OLD TIME IRISH HAMLET HIT BY FIRE

Dublin, Feb. 9—The Claddagh, a suburb of Galway and the oldest fishing village in Ireland, narrowly escaped disaster when a fire completely destroyed two of its old and picturesque thatched dwellings. Had it not been for the timely arrival of the fire brigade the fire would have spread to a block of fifteen other thatched houses.

It was to The Claddagh that the first fisher folk settlers from Spain emigrated many centuries ago, when the villagers periodically elected a king and when marriage outside the community was strictly prohibited.

Weather Continues Mild.

Although a storm threatens in this locality today, the condition of the weather is still of a mild nature, quite the reverse of last week's bitter cold spell. The temperature remains well above the zero mark and forecasts are similar condition for the next few days with rainfall. The freezing weather last week made ideal ice harvesting conditions and the ice is in some cases three feet thick.

Severe Earthquake Were Felt Today Southeast Port

Subterranean Explosion Sent People Into the Streets to Pray for Divine Intervention—Earthquake Shocks Felt in a Number of Towns—No Casualties So Far Reported.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Lisbon, Feb. 9—A tremendous subterranean explosion which sent people rushing into the streets to kneel and pray for divine intervention, preceded violent earthquake shocks in the Sierra D'ossa mountain district of Southeast Portugal today. No casualties have been reported so far.

The shocks were felt in the towns of Alvito, Mora, Redondo, Reugengos and Estemose in Alentejo provinces and were reflected in less violent measures in other provinces.

WILL IGNORE EXISTENCE OF THE MOON

Kirkburton, England, Feb. 8—Councilors of the Yorkshire village have been seriously debating the vagaries of the moon and have decided to ignore its existence altogether.

It has been the practice not to light the street lamps on moonlight nights. Recently the Council was informed there would be eight moonlight nights and lamplighters were instructed accordingly. On four of these nights Kirkburton groped about in darkness.

On another occasion the lamps were lighted and the moon came out. The lamps were extinguished and the moon at once disappeared.

AND DAUGHTER APPEARS ON FIRM'S SIGN

London, Feb. 9—For the first time the phrase "—and daughter—" is to appear in the title of a British firm. It is "H. Marment and Daughter, Limited."

"Daughter" is Miss Amy F. Marment, who at the age of fifteen during the war, was placed in full charge of a fish and poultry shop belonging to her father. She managed it so efficiently that when male employees were again available she was retained as branch manager. Now her father has recognized her services by taking her into the firm.

K.P.'S WILL BE ABOLISHED IN FRENCH ARMY

Paris, Feb. 8—"Kitchen Police" and all other domestic aspects of the military career are soon to be abolished in the French army, according to persons close to the War Office.

French soldiers will henceforth never stoop from warrior-like dignity to such tasks as peeling potatoes. All barracks will have automatic machines for cleaning and scrubbing will be taken out of the hands of soldiers and put into those of charwomen.

Harvest Improved.

The recent change in the weather has made quite an improvement in the ice crop being gathered from the river. Ice to a depth of thirty inches is now being taken out by local dealers.

MEN'S CLUB WERE GUESTS OF LADIES' AID

The Men's Club of the Wilmot United Church were guests of the Ladies' Aid of the church last evening at a delicious and enjoyable supper, which was largely attended by members of the club and others. The supper was held in the vestry of the church and the four long tables which were situated in the centre of the Sunday School floor were prettily covered with white tablecloths and adorned with innumerable candles, which supplied a very pleasing effect.

One special feature of the supper was the appointing of the men of the club for waiters, and they appeared, 20 in number, dressed in white jackets which also added to the general pleasing and metropolitan appearance of the occasion. The tables were filled and refilled several times and could certainly be said to be well attended. Following are those who served in the capacity of waiters during the supper, Leon Thurtell, headwaiter, G. W. Purdy, Hazen Horncastle, V. B. Barnes, Ellis Cunningham, Lloyd Baxter, Fred Segee, Alexander Burtt, Dr. Dayton Squires, Edward B. Dayton, James Feeney, Glenwood Lister, W. B. Dayton, Harry Edwards, Charles Smith, Earl Hickson, Earl M. Young, R. J. Baxter, Don Smith and W. E. McMullen.

Music was rendered throughout the supper program by an orchestra composed of several of the church musicians and was keenly appreciated by the receptive diners. The supper proved to be a genuine success, both as regards finance and entertainment.

Interesting Lecture

At the Old Gaiety Theatre last evening Mr. C. A. Howell, Assistant Sales Manager of the Buick and Pontiac division of the General Motors Company of Canada, gave an interesting and instructive lecture, accompanied by motion pictures of the Pontiac chassis and the proving grounds of the General Motors corporation. Included in the lecture and pictures was the explanation of the tests made and the work done on the automobiles in preparation for their market issue and also a talk or description of the Pontiac car and the details of its construction. Mr. Howell left this morning for St. John en route to Halifax where he is scheduled to give another lecture. Incidentally he is making a tour of the Maritime Provinces in regard to these lectures and plans to give one in every large city in the Maritimes.

Dinner Bridge

Mr. S. L. Morrison entertained at a very pleasant dinner bridge at his home in St. John Street last evening at which a large number of friends were present. Four tables were in play and a luncheon was served at the conclusion of the play.