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5-Minute Biographies

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GRAND DUCHESS MARIE

She Wanted to Marry So That She Could Wear Silk Stockings

It was my privilege, not long ago, to be a guest in the home of a princess—the Grand Duchess Marie, of Russia. Her uncle was Alexander the third, Czar of Russia. Her cousin was Nicholas the second, the last Czar of Russia; and her playmates were the daughters of the Czar of Russia. She is probably the most famous royal personage in the Western Hemisphere.

She told me an astonishing thing about herself. She said that during the first half of her life, she had been timid and shy and that she had suffered severely from an inferiority complex.

Born into the wealth and glamour of the mighty Romanoff family that had ruled Russia for three hundred years, she was so important that, even as a child, she rode in a golden coach, drawn by three pairs of white horses, and surrounded by mounted hussars in scarlet uniforms.

And she was so famous that crowds would gather on the sidewalks and stand for an hour for the privilege of catching but a glimpse of her royal highness as she passed by. Yet she, a princess, a Grand Duchess of Russia, suffered acutely from an inferiority complex. Sounds incredible, doesn't it?

Her childhood training had a lot to do with it. She never knew a mother's love, for her mother died when she was a year and a half old; and her father married a second time, and this time, he married a woman who was not of royal blood, so he was banished from Russia and his property was taken away from him. So the little princess was brought up very largely by strangers—by nurses and governesses and teachers.

Her tutors kept her in ignorance of the power and prestige that were hers by right of royal birth; and since sons of the royal family in the past had aroused bitter resentment by being too arrogant, her teachers were ordered to put humility into her little soul. And they did, all right.

She told me that she was reared in the most "rigorous simplicity." Those were her exact words—"rigorous simplicity." She said that if she had wasted a piece of bread as big as her thumb-nail, she would have been punished for it. If she dropped

a crumb on the floor, she had to pick it up and put it back on the table. And her food was very simple and very plain. Frequently, she had nothing but bread and milk for supper.

Her clothes were extremely plain, too. Although she lived among paintings and works of art that were priceless, and although the royal family of Russia was worth hundreds of millions of dollars, nevertheless, this princess wore cotton dresses and cotton gloves and cotton stockings right up to the time of her marriage. In fact, she told me that one reason why she wanted to marry was the hope that she could have silk stockings after she was married.

The princess told me that she never knew what a real home was; that her childhood was sad and lonely, and that her grandmother, Queen Olga of Greece, was the only person in the world who gave her any real appreciation of what warm love and maternal tenderness could be. Marie was so hungry for affection that she wanted to fling herself into her grandmother's arms; but she said, "I was so little used to caresses that I did not know how to begin."

When she was sixteen, she wanted a mandolin; but she didn't have the courage to ask her uncle for it. She was afraid he would refuse her. So she got one of her teachers to ask her uncle if she could have a mandolin.

Her uncle said "Yes"—and that was the last word he ever did say, for a few seconds later, an anarchist threw a bomb and blew his body into bits.

MULBERRY

There was prayer meeting at the home of Mr. A. D. Southard Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The service was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

Several from this community attended the funeral of Mr. Henry White at Fairview Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Swanson Southard visited Mr. Southard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Key and family at Union Cross Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stanley returned Sunday from High Point, to spend some time with Mr. Stanley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stanley.

Mrs. Wilbur Southard returned to her home Sunday after spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude White, at Union Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Frank Fulk of Mount Airy, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barker and family Sunday.

U. S. and Japan Cement Friendship



Surrounded by governmental celebrities and Japanese children in native costume, Kaname Wakasugi, Japanese Consul General, lays the cornerstone of the New York World's Fair Japanese Pavilion. Watching the climatic act are Edward J. Flynn, United States Commissioner General to the fair; Grover Whalen, president of the World's Fair, and Yakichiro Suma, Counselor of the Japanese Embassy, all of whom took part in the ceremonies stressing the friendship existing between United States and Japan.

BURCH

Rev. A. B. Hayes of Mountain View, assisted by Rev. T. S. Draughan of Crutchfield, closed a series of meetings at Little Richmond Baptist church Saturday evening. Much interest was shown in the meeting but there were no additions to the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Chappell and daughter, Bonnie, Lydia Jane Sneed and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Martin and children, spent Sunday at Harmony, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Medley.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hampton of Arlington spent the week-end at Fair View, the guests of Mrs. Hampton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Sprinkle.

Mrs. Bettie Beamer, who has been ill for several weeks at her home near Mulberry, is improving. Her many friends will be glad to know.

Mrs. Pauline Martin and children of Ypsilanti, Mich., are spending some time here with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chappell.

Miss Thelma Dodson of Elkin spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Porter Dodson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Allen had as their week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Trent and daughter, Miss Clara, of Kernersville, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Esbeck and Miss Blanche Allen of Clemmons.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sneed were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Patton, of Jonesville route 1.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Flincham and Mr. and Mrs. U. Burch, attended the circus at Winston-Salem Monday.

Miss Hessel Shore returned to her home at Harmony Sunday following a visit of several days with friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Sam Bullin entered a Statesville hospital Saturday for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Southard of Bessie's Chappell are spending sometime with Mrs. Southard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Burton, at Union Cross.

The junior choir from Pleasant Hill sang at a special service at the church Thursday evening. Their program was greatly enjoyed.

Rev. H. M. Boyd of Kentucky, is holding a series of meetings at Zephyr this week. The public has a cordial invitation to attend each service.

Rev. L. W. Burrus of Rockford will fill his regular appointment at Mt. Hermon Baptist church Saturday evening and Sunday morning. The public is cordially invited to attend.

ZEPHYR

The revival services are in progress at the Baptist church. Services are in charge of Rev. H. M. Boyd. The services will be held each evening at 7:00 o'clock. A special invitation is extended the public to attend.

Miss Ettye Parks and family spent last Sunday in High Point, with Miss Juanita Parks.

Announcement has been made that the Granite City Four quartet will sing at the Zephyr Baptist church Sunday, November 13, 1938.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Williams of Mountain Park, spent a short while here last Sunday, visiting friends.

Mr. G. G. Tucker of Winston-Salem, is spending a few days here on business.

Mr. Roy B. Blackwelder spent last Saturday in Elkin attending to business matters.

Several from the community spent last Saturday night at Mountain Park, attending the Hallowe'en entertainment in the school gymnasium.

However strong a man may be, if he gets used to leaning on a staff, it is hard for him to quit it.

STATE ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Faucett, of Reidsville, visited her sister, Mrs. Bessie Smith, here Sunday.

Miss Grace Deffbaugh, Marie Wilson and escorts enjoyed a nice trip across the mountain Sunday.

Mrs. Garland Carter, of Jonesville, visited her mother here during the week-end.

Messrs. Luke Smith and Vernon Nance visited friends in the

Shoaly Branch community Sunday.

We are glad to note the slight improvement of Mr. James Carter who has been in the hospital recently with stomach trouble.

Mrs. Bessie Smith, who is suffering from cancer, is showing no improvement, we are sorry to note.

Mrs. Will Carter is very ill, her friends will regret to learn.

This community is very beautiful now, since the leaves have turned brown and the broomsage is turning a golden color.

Contagious Insomnia

Doctor: "Well, my friend, what seems to be your trouble?"

Patient (nervously): "I believe I have caught insomnia, doctor. I cannot sleep a wink until round three o'clock in the morning."

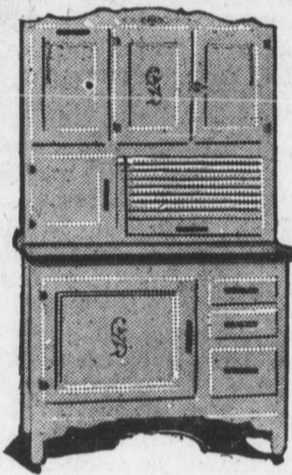
Doctor: "Nonsense. Insomnia is not contagious!"

Patient: "It is in my case, doctor. The baby next door has it!"

As a rule, what a man stands for is better evidence as to his worth than what he sits for.

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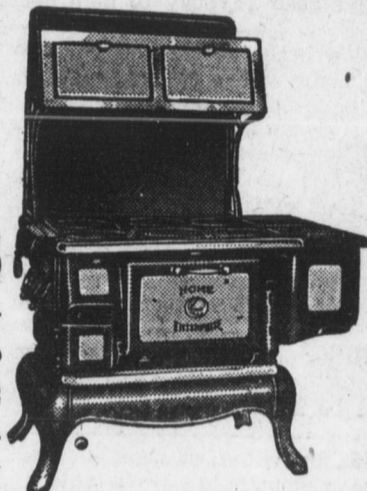
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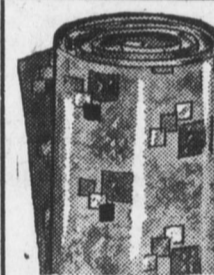
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