



FIGURE OF GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS OVERSHADOWS CZAR



THE CZAR
AND THE
CZAREVITCH

THE war has made the czar a changed man. Instead of the invisible aristocrat, concealed from his people behind great walls of iron, enormous parks and flocks of Imperial guards, protected with infinite care from the assassin, he has become almost a democratic ruler.

Everywhere he appears among his people and among his soldiers, returning their greetings, and encouraging them. Discretion is thrown to the winds. Several times he has been in the battle-fields of Poland and would have exposed himself to the sharpshoots if the Prussians had not his courage skillfully rendered this impossible.

His dress is simple and he is often seen in peasant garb—that is a suit of some fine material cut in peasant blouse style, a manly-looking costume of which the true Russian is very proud.

More remarkable still, the queen, always before the most exclusive of wives, has gone among her people, visiting the sick and wounded. The Russians scarcely knew her before.

There is in all this ostensible activity a little more than the desire to arouse and encourage the fighting nation. There is more, for instance, than inspired the visit of King George and his troops in Flanders. The czar's character is anxiety, a lively fear and not of German howitzers. The victories of Russian arms have their sweet-savory mixed with bitterness for the czar and his family.

Why? The reason is none other than the majestic figure of th. Grand Duke Nicholas. When he was born, the commander in chief of the Muscovite forces. The czar last winter suffered by comparison with his son, his soldier cousin—now a general in a mere nervous way.

If ever there was a king in looks it is Nicholas Nicholaelevitch. He is full six feet six inches in his stockings lean but graceful, with a head in which the keenest intelligence is combined with vast dignity and force.

When he is with us the latter by comparison is weak and insignificant looking, a cod-dog in comparison. In secret the czar's subjects are now slow to speak of this and many aow history of the past twenty-five years would have been far different if this tall Mars had been in his cousin's place, that the humiliation of the defeat by Japan would have been spared the poor Russians.

It has to be remembered that the commander in chief has taken his commission to make him dictator of Russia. The proclamations to the Poles and the Japans promising liberties in exchange for help during the war were not signed by the czar, but by Nicholas Nicholaelevitch. This was astonishing in itself and many have maintained that the promises null and void because the promising party would never have the power, if he had the wish, to carry out his obligations to the oppressed peoples.

Yet, would the czar dare to oppose his victorious son by refusing to grant a request to carry out these promises? Such an issue might prove a popular one for Nicholas Nicholaelevitch.

The history of Grand Duke Nicholas begins in an unhappy youth. He was born to his German mother, whose peasant husband had woefully wronged him and ruined the family fortune. But come of manhood, he followed straight in his father's footsteps, for the parent was one of Czar Alexander II's famous field marshals, who many times had scourged the enemies of Russia.

Alexander III was not especially fond of the young Grand Duke Nicholas, for noble and peasant he was unconsciously or unconsciously gave more homage to this splendid giant than to the three spindling, dull sons of the ruler. He admitted that this grand duke's army service could not be limited to the cavalry—the only result was to be told that his herculean thanks to

Nicholas Nicholaelevitch, were now the best in Europe!

Moreover the Nicholas' family life was not free from trouble. She was so often called the title "grand duchess" a rappist. He first married the middle-aged widow of a wealthy trader. He did not bring her to court, but left her at Moscow, where she would be safe from the sights her extraction might earn her in higher company. She died and her husband, now a rich man, only too quickly wedded the Princess Anna, a Moscovite girl with whom he had long been in love. It was while she was the wife of another man, the duke of Leuchtenberg, that Nicholas Nicholaelevitch wooed and won her. She persuaded Czar Nicholas to permit her divorce.

Anastasia is a large-framed, vigorous, ambitious woman devoted to the cause of the Slavs. She is a firebrand and unscrupulous in methods of action. She is the most dangerous possible natural leader of the Russian Slavs. It is said her husband is altogether too intimate with a certain lady of the imperial harem, but this does not seem to affect the relations between the wedded couple. She is always magnificently clad and is as regal in figure as her husband.

Throughout the empire there is the idea that Grand Duke Nicholas would be a safe leader and he was again and again promised to them. Many believed final disaster would have been averted if the czar had conquered his jealousy of his popular cousin. After the war, when the throne was threatened by the revolutionists, the czar was forced to fall back on the man he had been led to believe had struck the strike ordered by some means. He was in danger of assassination, and commanded admiration by constantly going about the streets unattended.

Just what happened when the war broke out remains to be told. It will be an interesting story. It is known that the czar went to follow his cousin's example, take the field with his soldiers and be his own field marshal! What pressure was brought to bear to dissuad him from this purpose and to force his acceptance of Grand Duke Nicholas is hard to say. But there are rumors that the mobilization was well along before the czar had time of it.

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Her little son, now ten years old, is suffering from an obscure ailment and may never live to manhood. He is too delicate to be able to work in gaining this throne, for the tradition of blood inheritance is not any too strong in Russia. Many times in her history Russia has seen inheritance by might instead.

If the czarevitch dies the succession would fall to the Grand Duchess Olga, eldest daughter of the czar. To bolster up her claim the czar is said to be in the act of arranging with the Grand Duke Dmitri. Dmitri is closer to the succession than Grand Duke Nicholas. But he is little of the soldier—a handsome fellow, yet too elegant and irresponsible.

If the brotethro were announced of Olga and Dmitri with the proclamation that Olga is to ascend the throne in the event that her brother is unable to do so, according to the will of the czar, the party of the Grand Duke Nicholas would know what that meant. It might be well to provide by a conflict. Would the army stand by the czar or by their leader of the great war?

WORK ON THE FIRING LINE

Monk Went Into Twelve Battles With Bavarians and Was Wounded in Foot.

A South German monk who entered the First regiment of the Bavarian Royal Guards as a volunteer officer at the beginning of the war, is now lying wounded in the hospital at Freiburg. He described his experiences when he was interviewed.

"On August 10 our battalion was sent direct to the frontier. Then we proceeded in forced marches as rapidly as possible to the Vosges mountains, where the French had already taken up their positions."

"The French had entrenched themselves so securely and firmly that they could hardly get out again. All who fled we shot down. At nine o'clock our positions were ours. They threw away everything they had—rifles, blankets and knapsacks, the name of fear. All their trenches were filled with dead and wounded."

"Our artillery had come up meanwhile; their shrapnel tore fearful gaps in the ranks of the fleeing Frenchmen, as they could not scatter in the narrow valley through which they had to retreat."

"The French prisoners we took seemed to regard us as savages. Everywhere we went after them the French terrified the people by crying, 'The Bavarians are coming!' They remember us still from 1870."

"I took part in twelve great battles. The last was near Epinal, where we were lying three days under fire. I was wounded about four o'clock in the afternoon of the third day. That was the worst day of all. The shrapnel burst over us from both sides at once. We sought protection even behind the dead."

"It was the fiercest fire I ever saw. I pushed my way back through the hail of bullets, and a piece of shrapnel tore my knapsack open. Finally I reached a dismantled battery and lay down under a tree. The men were the same. The bullet which passed through my foot was buried in the sole of my shoe, and the shrapnel was found in the meat. 'In I have them both as souvenirs.'

THE WIDOW'S HINT.

"Is it true that the widow proposed to Tso-pkin?"

"Yes, in a way. Tso-pkin was calling there one evening, when she handed him a novel to read entitled 'Put Yourself in His Place.' Tso-pkin took the hint."

PLAYED A DUAL ROLE.

"Now," said a newly-made husband, "I am your captain, and you must let me command you through life."

"You have a dual capacity," replied the former widow, "because you are my captain and my second mate, also."—London Telegraph.

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM SCANDINAVIA

Resume of the Important Happenings
in Sweden, Norway and Denmark.

Norway.

Amsterdam.—The small Norwegian steamer Castor is reported to have struck a mine in the North sea. All the crew, with the exception of one, were rescued and landed at Hamburg.

The anxiety of the Norwegian government not to offend either of the actions in the war by indiscreet utterances on the part of the Norwegian people is forcibly illustrated by an order positively prohibiting all conversation about the war over the telephone.

The commercial circles of Norway were greatly interested in two important announcements touching the sugar trade. The first was the announcement that Germany is about to stop all export of sugar to foreign countries, whether neutral or belligerent;

its second was the report that the government of Norway is contemplating the establishing of a state monopoly in the sugar business. Professor Gunnar Knudsen has for some time favored the establishment of state monopolies in those branches of trade or business which can be made to yield a revenue and which will be in the interest of the people generally.

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WANTED TO CONTINUE GAME

Secretary Lane Couldn't Understand Defeat in Golf While He Had Clubs at Play.

Joseph Daniels, secretary of the Navy, was invited the other day to go out and play golf.

"I can't play it," said Daniels; "I made up my mind some time ago not to go for golf until they change the rules."

"How do you mean?"

"Well, until they change the rules and make it as good a game as shinny."

That recalls the tale they tell about the time Franklin K. Lane, now secretary of the interior, first undertook the mastery of golf.

He obtained a set of clubs and over the game left a large set of clubs to Lane, and they played a round. When they had reached the last hole Lane walked over to the nearest teeing place and began attempts to drive off with each club in his sack, one after another.

"The game's all over," they explained, gently.

"Well," asked Lane, picking up another kind of club, "can't I play my hand out?"—New York Sun.

Pan-American Union.

The Pan-American union is an official organization made up of the twenty-one republics of the American continent. Its office is in Washington, D. C., and its president is John攀顿, with the title of director general of the Pan-American Union. The governing board which controls its activities is composed of the diplomatic representatives of Washington of each of these nations, with the secretary of state of the United States as chairman. The home is a beautiful white marble palace which cost one million dollars, of which Andrew Carnegie gave three quarters of a million dollars and the various governments gave a quarter million dollars—Lee's Weekly.

No Change.

"He became down from his overworking himself at agricultural pursuits, and the doctor advised a change of occupation, which is why he came back to town and set up as a fashionable dentist."

"That's no change of occupation. He's still cultivating asbera."

Solace.

"Ah," he murmured, "if there were only something in this mundane world that would solace all these vague yearnings, satisfy one's whole longings, and fill the aching void within!"

"Well, what's the matter with plot?"

Sweden.

King Haakon of Norway conferred the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Olaf upon Baron Fredrik Ramel, Swedish minister to Norway.

A farmer at Kall, Jamiland, has staked a claim on copper ore deposits at Solvsyd, near Kall like. The ore contains a high percentage of copper and is found in large quantities.

The Swedish steamship Vega has been captured in the Baltic by a German torpedo-boat destroyer and taken into Swinemunde. The Vega was from Rotterdam and is said to have been on its way to Stockholm with a cargo of margarine.

The distillers worked hard to induce the government to postpone the prohibition of the manufacture of liquor until January 15. It is not known at this writing whether or not the government extended the time from January 1 to January 15.

Kaiser Wilhelm has given the iron cross to Count Gilbert Hamilton, who distinguished himself as a member of the Kaiser's household.

The government has just issued a decree strictly prohibiting the beligerent powers from forwarding to beligerent powers any kind of war material, as well as armament material for their manufacture. It is emphasized that in no case whatever may Swedish ports and communication facilities serve the military interests of the beligerent powers.

"Both husband and I use Grape-Nuts every day and keep a good supply of them in the closet," said Mrs. Jack and Dick, respectively, three of our reasons for using and recommending the food. Grape-Nuts, for these youngsters have been fed on Grape-Nuts since they were born, and often between meals when other children would have been given candy.

"I gave a package of Grape-Nuts to a neighbor whose 3-year-old child was a weak little thing, ill half the time. The little tot ate the Grape-Nuts and craved greedily and the parents continued the good work, and the results were truly wonderful."

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Kerrick to Have a Bank

Arrangements are being made to open a bank of business at Kerrick about May 1. There has been a demand for a bank there for some time and its opening is no surprise to those who know the situation.

This will make a town of Kerrick banks in the county and will finish the claim that includes every point on the Soo line and Great Northern line in old Pine.

The only portion of the county remaining without banking facilities is its own is the northeastern section, along the Soo line and it seems improbable that they will lack long.

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The howl that has gone up in every county of the state over "high taxation" bids fair to hear this fractio to cost Pine county, for instance, a good share of the more than \$15,000 it got back from the state over what it paid to the state in the shape of taxes last year. A lot of the people of St. Louis county are awakening to the fact that they are paying the state about \$1,500,000 a year more than they get from it and the same thing is true of Hennepin and Ramsey counties. And now Blue Earth county in the extreme southern part of the state is discovering that it pays more than it gets. Again we remark that, with a lot of people, a change means progress. Some people can only learn by hard experience.

Many of our exchanges in this and Chicago counties either plainly state or infer that Hon. Adolf S. Larson's bill allowing county commissioners to change the name of a county on petition of 20 per cent of the votes "calls for" changing the name of Pine county to Clover county. It does not. We haven't found any sentiment in the county in favor of the change and we haven't a suspicion that the name of our county will be changed, even should the bill become a law. We believe Mr. Larson is on the wrong course in this—but he's entitled to fair treatment.

Down in Illinois, where they don't give any biblical teaching in the public schools, they are trying the experiment of giving the children certain hours off each week to attend their own church schools. It might not be a bad plan in Minnesota. Religion may not always make a crooked man honest, but we never knew it to make an honest man crooked.

Teachers' Retirement Fund Prepared under the direction of Atty. E. T. Young, by the Teachers' Minnesota Educational Association co-operating with the General Legislative Committee:

1. The bill provides for a flat rate for all teachers, principals and supervisors in all the public schools of the state, and in all educational, charitable or correctional institutions supported in whole or in part by the state. The annuity is the same for rural school teachers as for any and all others.

2. Teachers now in the service until Sept. 1, 1917, to decide, as to whether or not they desire to become members of the fund association.

3. The bill does not apply in any way to cities having populations of more than 75,000. These cities already make their own retirement funds and are therefore made except from the proposed tax of one-tenth of one mill.

4. The legislatures of twenty-six states have endorsed the Teachers' Retirement Fund idea in one from or another. Three states furnish all of the fund, but the most prevalent plan is to have the teachers furnish a large part of the fund and the state and private philanthropists the balance. The Wisconsin law is of the latter type.

5. Teachers are employed for only five to nine months of the year and their average annual salary is \$486, while that of the common laborer is \$615, factory workers \$550, coal miners \$600, carpenters \$602. The average expense account for nine months for a teacher is about \$425. This leaves a margin of \$50 to cover expenses during the summer vacation and for self improvement.

6. Such a law will help to make the great teaching body of Minnesota more secure, more efficient and more serviceable to the thousands of communities in which they work. It will give boards of education an honorable way to retire faithful teachers who have served there time.

7. The Minnesota Educational Association, 6,000 strong, adopted a resolution without a dissenting vote, endorsing the bill. The teachers and the 10,000 other teachers in Minnesota will appreciate your

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Capt. Seavey was a Moose Lake visitor Tuesday.

Blain Rowe spent Sunday at his home at Rush City.

Joe Carlson was a Harris visitor over Sunday.

Mrs. Poline and Miss Lillian Simon were at Rush City calling on friends last Friday.

For sale: Clover and timothy seed. Call Frank Hofrichter Beroun, Minn., 22-3p.

You can get 7 boxes of matches for 19c at the Leader for Saturday Jan. 30th.

Get your suits cleaned and pressed at Chellberg Bros.' in the Heidigger building.

Remember the "Play Singers"—four delightful young ladies—at Stekl's hall Saturday evening at eight o'clock.

C. Sutherland of The Leader came over from Cambridge yesterday on business. His many friends are always glad to see him.

H. E. Vallin of Stillwater is spending a few days at the F. C. Wichelman home and will return home via Sunrise where he has business.

Asplund's grocery is paying one cent a pound for carrots, cabbage, onions, parsnips, rutabages and squash. Four cents for beans and your own price for honey.

Tonight the "Perils of Pauline" will hold the boards and on Saturday and Sunday evenings will be shown "By Whose Hand?" in 2 part and "The Goat."

Special for Saturday large juicy lemons 15 cents per dozen. A good 10c rice, five pounds for 25c with a three dollar order of other goods at Asplund's grocery.

County Atty. Ervin and Atty. Lamson were here on their regular first-of-the-week visit. Monday, Judge Russell of Sandstone was also down the same day.

The dance for Saturday evening is under Naval Militia management with Remlin's Harp Orchestra of Red Wing furnishing music. It will be one of the best ever.

There will be an excellent vaudeville performance at the Home Theater, Monday evening, in addition to the regular performance with prices at 10 and 20 cents.

Miss Nellie Hawley of Minneapolis visited at the home of her brother Rhodes from Friday until Sunday afternoon. She has been at Sandstone since the holidays visiting with relatives there.

A subscriber gave us a local "ad" to run several weeks. At the end of the second week he wrote in: "stop that ad. I am overloaded with replies." Poker ads pay.

The Bohemian club will give a dance in the Armory next Thursday evening and will have the Montgomery Brass Band on hand to furnish music. A good time is assured for the Club never does things by halves.

The regular union temperance service under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. will be held Sunday evening at the Presbyterian church. The service will be in charge of Rev. Parish of the M. E. church. Everyone cordially invited.

Chairman Degerstrom, of the county commissioners, was here last Saturday to sign warrants for bills allowed against the county at the last meeting of the board. He had been confined to his bed for a few days previous but was well when here.

Wm. Lahart of Meadow Lawn arrived Tuesday to visit at the Taylor home and with his wife who live southeast of here. Mr. Lahart has been here only a few times since he was born for the electric light company several years ago.—Sandstone Courier.

Misses Carlson, Small and Julia and Lucy Neville went to Minneapolis last Friday evening to enjoy "Hi Jinks." All returned Sunday.

except Miss Lucy Neville who went to Elk River where she has engaged to finish out the year in the village schools.

W. H. Swindling who is organizing branches of the Union Savvy Assn. of Sioux Falls, of S. D., was in town between trains yesterday. He expects to be back in a few days to complete the organization of a branch at this place. He has just completed organizations at Rush City, Cambridge and Brainerd.

Another social evening was enjoyed by the Knights of Pythias and their ladies and friends at their hall last evening. There were over seventy present. They presented a fine program and a delicious lunch for their guests and all pronounced it one of the pleasantest evenings enjoyed there for some time and are looking forward to the next occasion.

Word from Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Boyle brings the news of the death of Mr. Boyle's mother last Monday at her home at Rodney, Ont. She has been ailing for some time but was not considered dangerously ill and the Boyles were intending leaving for their return trip home last Tuesday. They will be detained now until next week. They have the sympathy of all home friends in their bereavement.

Manager Frank Smith of the Smith Hardware Co. believes in improvement and purchased the old fixtures of the Pine City State Bank, which he installed in the rear end of the store "annex", giving him one of the neatest store offices to be found anywhere in this region.

The dance in the Armory this week Saturday evening will be under Militia auspices and that means it will be a fine one. The excellent Remlin's Harp orchestra from Red Wing will furnish the music and many who have danced to their music report that there is none better.

Charles Nasin of Thief River Falls was in town last Saturday and old friends were all glad to see him. He was attending the Lumbermen's convention at Minneapolis but found time to run up here. He reports his mother's health about the same and said that Mr. Hay is very much improved which is good news to our people.

A. T. Yonke of Sheridan, who has been visiting at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. M. Borchers, left last Friday, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Vera Borchers, to Minneapolis, where she remained until Sunday. Mr. Yonke went on to Columbus, Wis., to visit his folks and intends returning home via New York, New Orleans and California points.

"The Play Singers" at Stekl's hall this week Saturday evening, will be one of the best of the excellent entertainment course that is given here this winter. The four young ladies play, sing and recite delightfully and their appearance should draw a large crowd. Everyone is urged to go early as it is desired to have the entertainment begin promptly at eight o'clock, so as to close in time for those desiring to attend the dance afterward plenty of time.

Our readers are urged to rend the letter in the Poker if they would save money. A couple of weeks ago one of our advertisers offered a certain article of common consumption at just one-third of the special price that he intended to name, making the price quoted above one-fifth of the regular selling price. If you had noticed the price you would have saved about 75 cents on an article that you are buying most every week. It pays to read Poker ads.

The state furniture dealers' annual meeting program is out and shows our townspeople, the Pipers, filling a prominent place in this important trade organization. Mr. Piper is the retiring president of the association and his address will be one of the valuable ones at the meeting on Feb. 9-10 at St. Paul. Mrs. Piper also appears as one of the dealers to entertain the wives

ODDS AND ENDS

left over

From Our Pre-Inventory Sale

at almost

Your Own Price While They Last

The sale last week was a great success. But after it was over we found Odds and Ends in Every Department that must be disposed of before February 1st and we are making enormous reductions on these

WHILE THEY LAST

Pine City Merc. Co.

The Bargain Store

The Big Store

of members. Mr. and Mrs. Piper are fully able to do these things well and Pine City is glad to have them in the van of those who represent us outside.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf. T. Rice, Miss Myrtle and Wilbur arrived Monday afternoon from Thief River Falls and spent a couple of days visiting relatives and old friends before continuing their journey, yesterday to Council Bluffs where they intended visiting Mrs. Rice's folks for a short time and going thence to California where they expect to settle, probably near San Francisco. The Rices left here about eight years ago for Thief River and he has been engaged in farming in that region, since George and Frank remained to operate the farm there until they sell—or the folks decide to return. Old friends here wish them the best there is, where ever they settle.

School Notes
An ungraded room has been organized for practice teaching for the Normal students.

The Third grade have a new set of supplementary readers which they will use the rest of the term. Fred Brandis has been out of school on account of illness and missed the "red inks" of last week.

Percival Flaten entered the fifth grade Monday and Marian Flaten is back in the seventh grade after an absence of a month.

Sixth Grade School Program
The following program will be rendered by the Sixth Grade in the Assembly Hall of the old school building, Monday evening February the first, beginning at 8 o'clock. The proceeds will be given toward a grade fund. The children are working faithfully and would like to have a large attendance. Admission for adults 15 cents. Children 10 cents.

Welcome song "If We Were You and You Were Us," by chorus of

boys and girls.

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Vocal solo "Little Black Me" by Lucile Gottry

Instrumental solo "The Joyous Farmer" by Vivian Asplund.

Recit. "The Ragged Boy" by Catherine Hawley

A play "Finnegan's Flat" (2 parts)

Princ. characters of play: Patrick Finnegan, owner of the flat by James Summerville, Prof. Baton, a violinist, Lee Nestor, Dan Dooley, the policeman by Laurence Therrien, John, a chandler by Jos. Daley, Little Tom, the pet of the flat, Edward Horchner, Biddy Finnegan, Edward's wife by Hattie Kalb, Miss Nevermore, a lodger by Helen Greig, Mary, Little Tom's sister, by Cecile Hurley, Miss Goodheart, a rich young lady, Geneva Therrien, Eight children of the flat.

Recit. "A Teacher's Tale" by Margaret Curtis.

Instrumental solo "The Flower Song" by Geneva Therrien.

Instrumental solo "The Twilight Reverie" by Carrie Boyle

Vocal solo "Come Play With Me" by Cecile Hurley

Song "It's Time To Tell You All Good By" by boys and girls.

The Flower Drill by 8 girls.

The Flag Drill, by 16 boys and girls

Recit. "The Farmer's Blunder" by Hattie Kalb.

Song "The Public Schools Will Make Us True Americans" by a chorus of girls.

Tableau "The Yankee Kitchen" by boys and girls.

Recit. "Where Do You Live" by Howard Blankenship.

A song Pantomime "Old Black Joe" by boys and girls.

The Flower Drill by 8 girls.

The Flag Drill, by 16 boys and girls

Recit. "The Farmer's Blunder" by Hattie Kalb.

Song "It's Time To Tell You All Good By" by boys and girls.

Walter Schultz of the third grade

has been home for a couple of weeks with a sprained ankle.

