

PRINCE RESENTED ANY INTERFERENCE

With His Love Affair—History of the Rumanian Renunciation.

London—Scraps of the inner history of Prince Carol's renunciation of the throne of Rumania that have reached official circles show that the act was inspired not by political reasons, but because the Prince resented any interference with his love affairs and finally so lost his temper with his chief courtier that he boxed his ears. Behind all this was a feud between M. Bratiano, the Liberal Premier, and the young Prince.

The first "scene" occurred when the Premier persisted in giving the Prince news of the King's illness on the pretext that this was necessitated by the repeated absences of the

Prince, who was involved in a love intrigue with Mme. Lupescu. For his pains M. Bratiano received a biting snub: "It is quite unnecessary to bring me reports about my father's illness. The doctors keep me informed. As to the succession, I must ask you not to volunteer your advice. I do not need it, and, if fate should make me king—well, I have a head to rule with."

Ordered Out.

This reply, unexpected in nature and inexplicable in tone, deeply offended M. Bratiano, who answered: "Your Royal Highness, I beg to remind you that I am leader of the most powerful party in Rumania; and that I have served the Crown and the country faithfully and with a due sense of my responsibility towards both for more than twenty years. I think such words should not be spoken, and I do not deserve them."

The Prince replied by peremptorily dismissing the Prime Minister from his presence.

Shortly before the Prince left for London, Prince Stirbey, a courtier, whose sister is the wife of M. Bratiano, ventured one day to remonstrate with the Prince regarding his private life, and suggested more discretion in carrying on his love affairs with Mme. Lupescu. The Prince accused him of insolence and boxed his ears.

Lady-Love There.

The King then decided to speak to his son, and the Prince replied: "Why take me only to task? Don't you see what is going on in the Palace?"

The King said no more at the time, but despatched Prince Carol as his representative at the funeral of Queen Alexandra, in the hope that the journey might relieve the friction. On the return journey Mme. Lupescu, who had hurried from Bukharest, for the purpose, met the Prince on the platform of the Gare du Nord in Paris.

The Queen of Rumania wrote more than once to her son in Paris taking him to task for his association with Mme. Lupescu. Prince Carol also received a stern letter

from the King to which he replied in a fit of temper, saying that if the King continued to adopt that attitude he would renounce his right to the throne. He observed in the letter: "It must be known who reigns in Rumania, the Hohenzollern or the Bratiano!"

King as "Prisoner."

This letter played into the hands of his enemies. Availing themselves of the threat of renunciation contained in it, they persuaded the King to accept. The ratification of the Prince's act of renunciation, the proclamation of Prince Michael as heir, and the institution of the regency were to take place on the following day at the meeting of the National Assembly.

On arriving at Bukharest, the King sent for M. Iorga, the leader of the Agrarian Party, and told him the decision. M. Iorga bowed and observed:

"Your Majesty! From to-day you are the prisoner of Bratiano's Liberals, therefore you no longer have need of my advice."

Rigid Court Life.

With these words he began to walk to the door. The King, greatly agitated, called out: "Iorga, Iorga, are you leaving me?"

To which M. Iorga replied: "It is not we who are leaving you, but you who have left us. I offered to bring you the Prince from Venice, as I did once before when I brought him back from Bistritza. But you were unwilling."

M. Iorga then left the room. The regency was constituted and ratified in the afternoon.

Prince Carol has, throughout the drama, filled the role of a witful son young enough to prefer the infatuated passion for a woman to the rigid court life of an heir-apparent, subjected to the machinations of political enemies and sycophantic courtiers.

OBITUARY

Mrs. R. J. Clancy.

At 10.30 o'clock last night in the Hotel Dieu hospital, death came quietly and peacefully to Isabella Garrett, beloved wife of Robert J. Clancy. The late Mrs. Clancy had been confined to the hospital since last October, during which time she had borne her intense sufferings with a truly admirable Christian fortitude and resignation. Besides her sorrowing husband, she leaves to mourn her loss her step-son, Rev. Father J. G. Clancy of Regiopolis College, and three surviving sisters, Mrs. R. A. McAllister of Napanee; Mrs. H. F. Asseltine of Portsmouth; and Mrs. P. J. Dwyer of Oshawa. The late Mrs. Clancy was a member of the congregation of St. Mary's cathedral, and the funeral will be held on Monday morning at nine o'clock with a solemn requiem mass.

Mrs. John Edwards, Jellyby, died on Friday, aged fifty-seven years. She had been a long time ill.

A DIVORCEE



Mrs. Marion Cleveland Dell, daughter of President Grover Cleveland, has won a Paris divorce from William Stanley Dell, whom she married at Princeton, N.J., in 1917.

NEWS OFF THE WIRES IN CONDENSED FORM

Mrs. George B. Post, Jr., daughter of Charles Dana Gibson, artist, has filed suit for divorce from her husband at Paris.

Mexican secret police have discovered vast opium production in the Chinese settlement of the State of Sinaloa.

Prof. T. G. Richardson says people sing while bathing because the bathtub reinforces the notes of the human voice.

Two sons of the late President Roosevelt went to London to thank British authorities for co-operation in Asiatic hunting trip.

Samuel Benn, founder of Aberdeen, Wash., is fighting proposal of the city council to raise a monument to him in local park.

Pauline Garon, motion picture actress, formerly of Montreal, was married at New York to Lowell Sherman, leading actor.

Redistribution of provincial constituencies in Manitoba will be undertaken by the Bracken Government before next election.

British Yacht Racing Association elected Prince of Wales president by acclamation and lifted ban against former enemy countries.

Three robbers convicted at New York were given maximum sentences amounting together to almost 150 years.

Prince of Wales was cheered at London when he visited labor exchange and talked with dole pensioners.

French Chamber of Deputies adopted clause authorizing a national lottery as part of new financial measures.

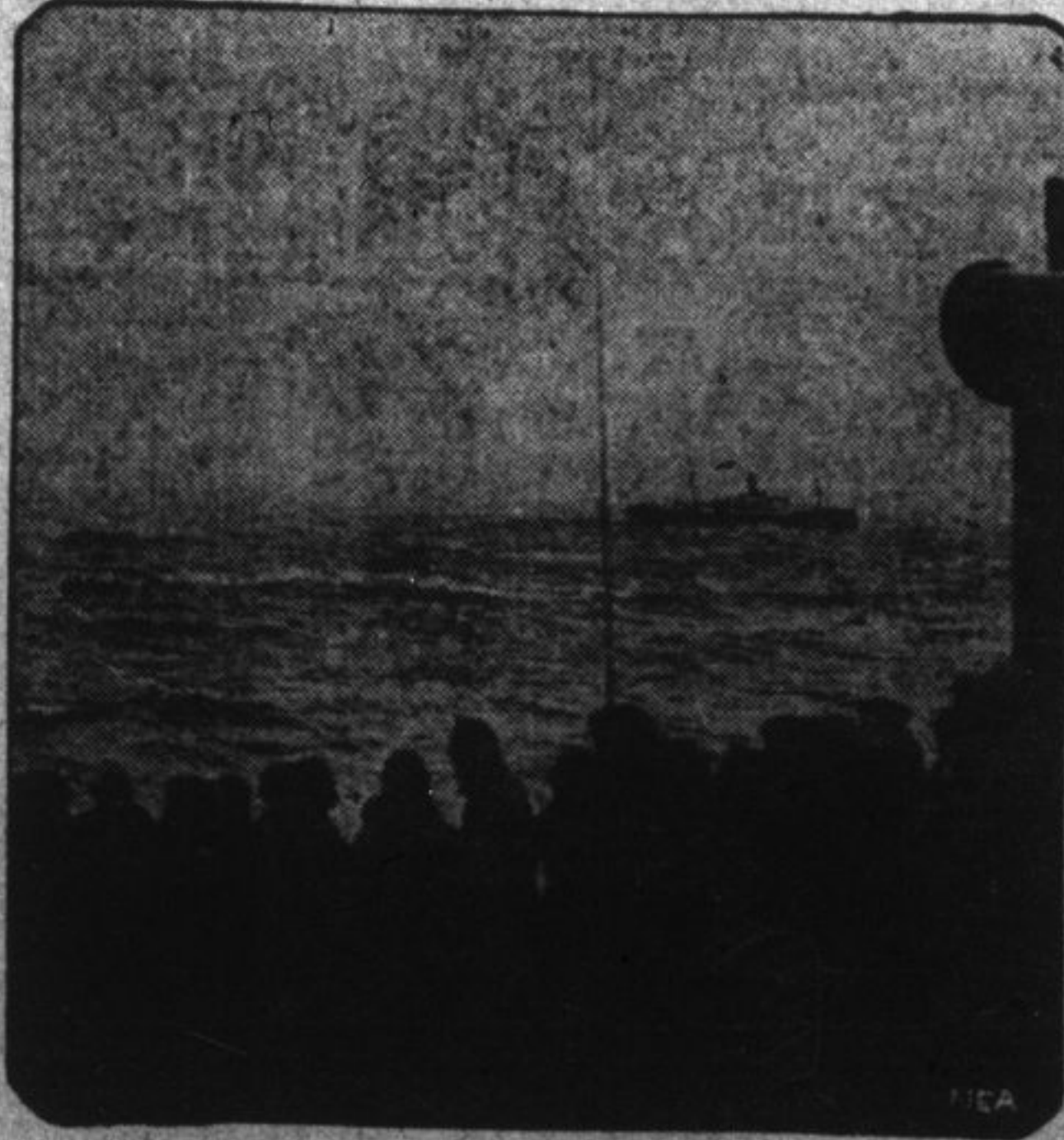
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CANADA HAS 'EM, TOO!



These five Canadian girls won a Montreal beauty contest and a trip to New York. They are, front row, left to right: Irene Pare, Patricia Meadows and Lucienne Laport. Back row: Laura Robert and Margaret Odette.

TALE OF THE HIGH SEAS



Bound on a mercy errand, the lifeboat shown in this picture couldn't get back "home" after it once traversed the stormy stretch of sea. The SS. Berlin, from which the photo was taken, sent the boat with a doctor to the Hanover, to treat a sick sailor. Then the water got so rough that the lifeboat and its crew had to complete their trip to New York as Hanover passengers.

PROBS:—Cold, with light snowfalls to-night and Sunday.

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