

WHAT AMERICANS AND OTHERS ARE DOING IN EUROPEAN CAPITALS

SAYS MELBA AIDED PRETENDER TO FLEE

Intimate of Duke of Orleans
Describes Some of His
Adventures.

ESCAPED FROM PRISON

Duchess Now Seeks Separation
From Claimant to Throne
of France.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
PARIS, June 7. The Duke of Orleans has at last issued an official note denying what he calls the outrageous fables in circulation in regard to the Brussels law suit, and giving the facts as follows:
The Duchess was married under a separate property contract. She now possesses everything belonging to her. Her dowry of 1,200,000 francs, or \$240,000, was never in the possession of the Duke. On the death of her father, the Archduke Joseph, it was placed in a London bank from which it was withdrawn recently and taken to Austria by an agent of the Duchess. She did not receive anything from her father's estate.
The Duchess left Woodnoton, the Duke's English home, two years ago at her own accord to visit her mother. She wishes to remain in Brussels. She asks 30,000 francs, or \$10,000, a year from her husband. The Duke is unwilling to live with his mother-in-law and has therefore refused the demand, which was made through Austrian agents under abnormal conditions.

Duke's Friend Describes Him.
This aversion to the society of his mother-in-law is not the only point in which the claimant to France's throne has shown himself not to be above the frailties of the ordinary man. One of his intimates thus described him to the correspondent of THE SUN to-day:
"He is today a very fine man of 44 years of age, tall and fair, with blue eyes. He has a physiognomy which is at once imperious and attractive, and which marks the lack of taste of the Bourbons for work, but he is clever in the ordinary what he does know. He is a devotee of external elegance and display, and has only one horror, that of being bored. Above all he is an admirer of the fair sex. He is a devout lover, for whom nothing exists but the object loved so long as he loves it. When he was 20 years old he was distractedly in love with Melba, and as the great singer was as attractive as she was famous the family became anxious.

"His father, the Comte de Paris, resolved that Philippe must marry. He was therefore engaged to his cousin, the Princess Marguerite, daughter of the Duc de Chartres. Philippe allowed himself to be engaged and also permitted himself to be photographed with his fiancée. Many copies of this picture are still in existence. They show the countess in hand, which confirms the report that Princess Marguerite had been attracted by her handsome cousin.
Sent to Prison in France.
But the singer kept his heart and the Queen of Opera and the exiled Prince were seldom apart. When the Prince became of age he came to France, thus breaking the law of exile. He declared that he would draw lots for military service like other Frenchmen of his age. He was arrested and condemned to two years in prison. He was confined at Clairvaux, but M. Constans, the Minister of the Interior at the time, who was intelligent and indulgent, pitied the prisoner's youth and on moonlight evenings the doors of the prison would open sufficiently to allow a phantom like female form to glide within the dark walls. One night the prison guards closed their eyes so tightly that they did not see the prisoner leave with his visitor. The couple fled to Ostend and London and were soon in St. Petersburg. The Republic forced an exiled Prince than one it had been accustomed to.

"During the St. Petersburg visit the scandal-mongers made the most of the friendship of the Prince and the singer, especially after they had been seen together openly at the theatres. The engagement of the Prince and the Princess Marguerite was broken off and later the Princess married Prince de MacMahon, Duke of Magenta, a son of the one-time President of France.
Married in Schoenbrunn Castle.
After the singer's swamy over the Prince had ceased many less illustrious charms won his favor. The death of his father in 1891 made him the head of the house of Orleans. This did not change his mode of life, but made it necessary for him to marry in order that the dynasty might be perpetuated. In 1893, in the chapel of Schoenbrunn Castle, in the presence of the Emperor of Austria, he married his cousin, the Archduchess Marie Louise. On the eve of the wedding he received a mysterious intimation that the main object of the marriage could not be attained as the Duchess was almost certainly doomed to sterility.
"It is too late to draw back," said the Prince, and he kept his word to the Duchess. She was two years older than her husband and did not possess the charm, elegance and fascination which would retain a husband of his character, who was as haughty as the American Archduchess was austere and formal. She did not share his tastes and was unwilling to flatter his vanity. When she became ill the Duke hastened to conduct her to her mother's castle at Alskuth, and then returned his bachelor life. Brussels was chosen as the scene of his jocular existence, and King Leopold looked on with an indulgent eye.
"A charming Parisienne and a professional beauty, Ninette de Melba became his guiding influence. They were seen together wherever amusement could be found in Brussels. At the night restaurants champagne flowed freely. The Duke was easily approached, as he preferred the life and noise of public places to the quietness of a private home. If virtue was not prominent



Duke of Orleans

at these gayeties there was at least no hypocrisy, for all Brussels was aware of the Duke's frolics. The Duke was always ready to converse with any chance frequenters of the restaurants, or even with the waiters who were serving him. One evening the wife of a Belgian functionary picked up on the stairs of a restaurant a magnificent pearl necklace which she recognized as belonging to Ninette. The latter rewarded a maid who was sent to return it with 50 francs, without even writing a word of thanks to the finder.

Ninette's Friendship Disastrous.
"The friendship of the Duke with Ninette could be passed over in silence but for its political effect. Under her influence the Duke dismissed the chief of his political bureau, Baron La Regie, and other old Royalists, whom she called dotards, and called in a younger generation, who are now his active propagandists through the daily newspaper *L'Action Francaise*. They are known as the 'King's camels,' and are ever open to fist fights with supporters of the Republic.
"Among the rewards granted for Ninette's political energy was the gift of the jewels of Queen Marie Amelie, the Duke's great-grandmother. When the liberality of the Duke became known the explosion was great. The Emperor of Austria reprimanded the Duke in the name of his niece. Negotiations followed and Ninette surrendered the jewels in return for a money consideration. The sum demanded was so great that all the family had to contribute, the Duchess herself sharing in the repurchase of her own jewels.

In Love With Society Woman.
"After this the Duke broke with the friend whose extravagance had brought him near ruin. Some time after the episode a serious operation performed by Dr. Becamier raised hopes that the Duchess might after all be able to become a mother, but on the way to Palermo to join the Duke she again fell ill and was compelled to go back to Alskuth. The Duke was again a victim of his susceptible heart, falling deeply in love with Mme. Auffm. Ordit, a society woman. Mme. Auffm. Ordit belongs to an excellent family of the French aristocracy and previous to her marriage was Charlotte Raconnerie de Salvette. She married first the Duke de Praslin, from whom she was divorced in 1905. She then married a wealthy manufacturer of German origin. Her former husband later on married Mrs. Baine, who was Miss Lucy Tate of Liberty, Ky.

"For his new object of adoration the Duke rented a chateau at Puttael near Brussels. According to his present plans the Duke will live near by and receive his partisans, who have already been presented to Mme. Auffm. Ordit, who presides at the political dinners which the Duke gives to the notable men of his party.
"This new state of affairs has driven the Duchess to initiate an action for separation in the hope that the scandal will induce the Duke to reform his life. She needs money, as her mother is also almost ruined. It is rumored that the Duke intends reprisals and will appeal to Rome to have the marriage annulled. It can easily be guessed on what grounds."

MISSOURI GIRL SCORES HIT.
Miss Lucille McVey Successful as Story Teller in London.
Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 7. A new American story teller in the person of Lucille McVey of Sedalia, Mo., promises to become a great favorite in London drawing rooms. She is young, pretty and naive, with the distinctive American touch which is now so much appreciated in London.
She was discovered in California last winter by F. J. Mackey, who determined to give her a chance in London.

FEAR MILITANTS IN WINDSOR.
4,000 Invitations Issued for Garden Party on June 21.
Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 7. Nearly six thousand invitations were issued for the garden party to be given by the King and Queen at Windsor on June 21. The question is raised as to how the suffragettes can surely be excluded from such a crowd. It is the question of the moment.

Leading Figures in the Latest Royal Scandal to Interest Europe



South West Front of Wood Noton.



Duchess of Orleans

LEE SHUBERT FINDS NO NEW PLAYS IN BERLIN

Harris Also Asserts Search for
Theatrical Novelties
Is Hopeless.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 7. Lee Shubert and Sam Harris have arrived in London from Berlin. They declare that the search for theatrical novelties is hopeless. Mr. Shubert illustrated the death of material by telling how a Berlin manager tried to sell him the American rights to "Iolanthe" as the best thing he had. Mr. Shubert thought this was the limit and he started for London immediately.
Walter Kelly, whom London loves as the Virginia Judge, will open at the Hippodrome for an eight weeks run shortly.
Teddy Girard, the show girl, has arrived from Paris. She will replace Shirley Kellogg, who was married recently in "Hullo Ragtime" at the Hippodrome, where within a few days Evelyn Nesbit Thaw will appear.
Mrs. Thaw will appear under an assumed name and will be concealed in a bunch of twenty American girls who were brought over by Jack Mason, but as she is rehearsing daily and her photographs are appearing in some publication every day her disguise probably will not be too puzzling to penetrate.

Horace Golding, the illusionist, has signed a contract for \$250 a week with Martin J. Beck for a tour of thirty-six weeks in the United States. He will open at the Palace Theatre, New York, on September 1. Golding will carry a company of forty persons and fifteen tons of baggage as well as the largest tiger in captivity.
Amateurs in Florence.
Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
FLORENCE, June 7. Prof. Hipprecht of Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy Storer, Lloyd Osborne and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Philips have arrived here.
Mrs. William Penn Nixon, widow of the former owner of the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, will spend the summer with her daughter at San Domenico.

**Church Court Declares Duchess
Lied in Case of Marriage
Annulment.**
NO JUDGMENT ANNOUNCED

**Their Hearing to Be Held
Shortly in Rome. It Is
Announced**

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
ROME, June 7.—The judgment of the Rota Tribunal in the matrimonial annulment case of Count Boni de Castellane and Anna Gould, now the Duchess de Talleyrand-Perigord, has not yet been published, as the judges decided to alter that portion relating to the evidence of the Duchess in the first stage of the proceedings.
No reason is given for this unprecedented procedure, but it is an open secret that the judgment has not been published owing to the opposition of the counsel for the Duchess, who pointed out that as the judgment was given in the absence of the defendant it was contrary to law for the judges to draw different conclusions from the evidence which she had rendered in the first stage of the proceedings, which closed with a sentence convalidating the marriage.
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"The sentence of the Rota Tribunal of December 9, 1911, convalidating the marriage was based on the above evidence. Owing to further evidence produced by Count Boni de Castellane the judges, who delivered the second sentence annulling the marriage, again examined the evidence of the Duchess and detected the following five lines:
"Anna Gould was 21 years old when she was married, and hence was not too young to think of divorce."
"Her family is not opposed to divorce, as several of its members have been divorced."
"She was not urged to marry by Count Boni's mother, who, on the contrary, opposed the marriage."
"She made reservations about divorce before she was married and mentioned divorce during the first three years of her marriage."
The judges comment unfavorably on the present attitude of the Duchess, "who with barefaced inconsistency, while she considers her divorce sufficiently valid as far as she is concerned to enable her to marry the Duke de Talleyrand-Perigord, opposes the annulment of her former marriage with Count Boni de Castellane, and in this way showed that she considered it to be indissoluble."
"It is very likely that the second judgment in this case, which the second judgment given at first, will not be published in full. Possibly it will not be published at all and an appeal will be brought against it by the defender of the matrimonial bond. This appeal will be heard without delay.
The Duchess will be represented at the third hearing by Mgr. Patrizi.

A New American Singer



Mignon Nevada in France.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
PARIS, June 7. Mignon Nevada, the new operatic star, is a great success as well as an artistic success. She has sung in many drawing rooms, including those of Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Stewart and Fanny Reed.
Mignon Nevada Palmer, as she is known in private life, recently closed her engagement at the new opera house near the Champs Elysees. She was engaged for but three performances, but the number was increased to seven when she sang to overflow houses at each performance.
Mignon Nevada's repertoire so far has embraced the "Barber of Seville," "Lucia di Lammermoor," "Michele," "Carmen," and "La Traviata." The roles calling for flexibility and the old Italian school suit her best, for her voice is a light, pure, very florid soprano.



Madame Melba

Lady Leith of Fyvie's Ball Is Leading Event of Week

American Hostess in London Entertains Prince
Arthur of Connaught at Dinner
Followed by Dance.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 7. This week may be said to have fairly well reached the high water mark of a season which has not been altogether as brilliant as had been expected. Although this week so far has attended three or four affairs every night there has been nevertheless a shortage of entertainments at the great houses. Stafford House is closed and the Duchess of Sutherland's entertainments are greatly missed. Lansdowne House and Hampden House are shut because of mourning, and Devonshire House is practically closed on account of the delicate health of the Duchess. Apsley House is seldom opened by the Duke and Duchess of Wellington, but among the newer hostesses Lady Leith, who has just returned from her first sojourn in London with a dance and this week with another.
An American woman, Lady Leith of Fyvie, formerly Miss Mary Louise January of St. Louis, gave the dance of the season. The dance was preceded by a dinner to Prince Arthur of Connaught, who afterward attended the ball, at which the other guests included the Marquis and Marchioness of Dufferin, the Duchess of Somerset and many other well known members of the high social set. Dinner parties for the dance were given by the Duchess of Somerset and Ladies Northbrook, Dallas, Fitzwygram and Codrington.
The Duchess of Marlborough gave an interesting dinner party this week in the great marble dining room of Sunderland House, where a portrait of herself together with her oldest son, the future Duke, is the sole picture. Here she assembled a party of politicians, literary men, sportsmen, diplomats, financiers and society people. A few names of those

present will suffice to convey an idea of the catholicity of the Duchess's dining table. There were John Galsworthy, the author; Roger Fry, the editor; J. M. Barrie, who now is Sir James; A. E. W. Mason, the author; Waldorf Astor, former Prime Minister Arthur J. Balfour, the Russian and German Ambassadors and Lords Desborough and Wolvorton.
A successful dance was also given this week by the Countess Pappenheim, formerly Miss Wheeler of Philadelphia, at the Ritz.
Mrs. Urban Broughton has sent out invitations for a dance for her niece, Mrs. Alexander Pratt. Mr. Broughton is about to enter politics and is the accepted Conservative candidate for York.
Lady Ancestor, formerly Miss Eloise Bresser of New York, as president of the women's branch of the Social Institutes Union, distributed the awards at the annual prize giving. She entertained 600 girls.
Mrs. William Draper and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Guggenheim and Mrs. W. B. Leeds have arrived at the Ritz from Paris.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clay Pierce are here for an indefinite stay.
Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Aldrich are making day motor trips.
W. Payne Thompson is at the Carlton for a short stay.
Rudolf Sprockles is here for two weeks. Eben Jordan of Boston arrived from the country to-day.
E. Clarence Jones has gone to Paris. Greenleaf Sykes has left for Austria. Charles Lanier and party have gone to the Continent. Mr. and Mrs. Duhoose Taylor have gone to Paris.
Ogden Armour has gone to Carlisle. Mr. and Mrs. George Landers have left for their place in Scotland. George Hatton has gone to St. Petersburg.

AMERICAN WOMEN SEE BERLIN SIGHTS

Delegates to Suffrage Congress
in Budapest Well
Received.

MISS SLOANE MRS. SLOAN

Daughter of Columbia Professor
Weds New York Stock
Exchange Man.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
BERLIN, June 7. Decorated with "Votes for Women" badges the American and English suffragist delegates to the world's woman suffrage congress on their way to Budapest were invited to the capital this week and spent several days in sight-seeing before starting for Vienna to-day. Residence in a hotel much larger than any worn by the other women who were here, Miss Park of California, was the first to reach Berlin on Monday after a tour of Holland. She was taken for an English suffragette on the frontier and her baggage was carefully overhauled. She was informed by the customs officials that there are no voters for women in Berlin.
Miss Park says she was not received with a laugh or a jeer in Holland, but there was a different atmosphere the moment she crossed the German frontier. Her enormous badge created many a smile.
The executive committees of three or four German women's suffrage movements selected the Hotel Adlon as the headquarters of the delegates where they registered. Among the American delegates are the Rev. Dr. Anna Shaw, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Nellie White of Washington, Flora Denison of Toronto, Mrs. William Helmholtz of New York, Mrs. Shaw South of Massachusetts and Mrs. Benedict of Colorado.
The Scandinavian suffragettes were represented by Dr. Gulli Petrid of Stockholm, Frau Oyam, wife of the former Minister of State of Norway; Dr. Jenn Torselles, a member of the Finnish Parliament, and Charlotte Eilersgaard, a noted writer of Copenhagen.
The sight-seeing and entertainments included visits to the children's homes, the museums, various tea parties. There was a public meeting at which the women discussed their achievement, which they had accomplished in bettering political conditions in general and those of women in particular.
Two things marked the visit of the women. They ignored the Kaiser and Kaiserin and also the American Women's Club, but the enthusiasm of the American, English and Scandinavian women, it is predicted, will give a strong impetus to the woman's movement in Germany.
Miss Margaret Milligan Sloane, daughter of Prof. Sloane of Columbia University and Roosevelt professor at the University of Berlin, was married at Munich on June 1 to Benson Bennett Sloan, a member of the New York Stock Exchange. The marriage took place in the Church of St. Georges. The Rev. W. W. Jennings, the American rector, officiated, assisted by an English chaplain, Rev. David Rowland. Miss Gertrude Schimer was bridesmaid and Evert Jansen was best man. The couple will spend their honeymoon in an automobile trip through the Dolomites and the Italian lakes. They will sail for New York on the Mauretania on July 12.

Prof. Benjamin Ide Wheeler and Mrs. Wheeler of California have been much entertained here. They were the guests of the Kaiser during the spring review at Toppelhorst Field on June 1. They were also guests at a gala performance at the opera the same evening. Prof. Wheeler has had numerous chats with the Kaiser, who is very fond of him.

PARIS SOCIETY IN OPEN AIR.
Teas and Dinners Out of Doors Because of the Heat.
Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
PARIS, June 7. The heat tempted society to go into the open air for teas and dinners on Thursday. Mrs. J. A. Burden entertained Mrs. Mrs. C. W. Sloane, Mrs. Alexander, Edgerton Winsthrop, Sr., Mrs. Wiltzie and Mrs. Griswold Gray.
Mrs. Edward Key of Baltimore, who has been very ill of pneumonia, has recovered and will go to Dinard in the middle of the month to visit Anna Fairchild, who has taken a villa for the summer.
Mrs. Hugh S. Hallett, "the Queen of Dinard," will give an afternoon dance at the Ritz on June 14 in return for the hospitalities showered on her. Princess Francisine-Luening will return to Dinard with her on a visit.
The ball given by Ambassador Herrick, largely for the French, proved to be very successful. The terrace on which the ballroom looked was enclosed and hung with lights and the walls were covered with palms. Among the Americans present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lehr, Mrs. Hugh S. Hallett, Mrs. Peter Martin, Mrs. Ruthford Sturgesant, Miss Currier, Mrs. Anthony Drexel Fanny Currier, Mrs. Chauncey Blair and Monsieur Robinson.
Cornelius Vanderbilt arrived on Monday.

Britons Greentee Cheese Eaters.
LONDON, May 29.—The British are the greatest cheese eaters in the world. England also heads the list for diversity of cheeses, seventeen different varieties being produced here. France comes next and then Italy, Holland, Norway and Sweden. British cheeses are all made from cows' milk and without any admixture, save in the case of "leaf cheddar," which is sometimes flavored with sage leaves. Foreign cheese makers show less exclusiveness. Roquefort is made from sheep's milk and Gruyere from goats' milk.