

A King Whom All Sweden Mourns

Oscar II. Was One of Europe's Most Accessible Monarchs—Tallest of Sovereigns, Yet the Kindest—His Successor a Giant in Stature and a Man of Action.

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JEAN BAPTISTE JULES BERNADOTTE, one of Napoleon's famous marshals, was the grandfather of Oscar II., king of Sweden, who died at Stockholm Dec. 8, and was the founder of the royal line. Bernadotte in 1818 became king of Sweden and Norway as Charles XIV. His son succeeded him as Oscar I. The second Oscar was the third son of the first Oscar and consequently was not reared with any expectation of reaching the throne. He was permitted to follow his own bent, which inclined to the sea. Young Oscar, born Jan. 21, 1829, entered the Swedish navy at the age of eleven. The young prince worked hard, passing through all the grades and winning his lieutenantcy in the regular army. Prince Oscar entered the University of Upsala at the age of twenty, where he distinguished himself in mathematics.

feet two and a half inches. Slim, erect, dignified, he was "every inch a king."

Remarkable Linguist.

President Roosevelt once called King Oscar the ablest of European rulers. From his early youth Oscar always evinced a deep interest in literature and art. He became an accomplished musician and composer, a dramatist, a poet, a historian, a painter and a remarkable linguist, writing eight languages and speaking five. King Oscar has been called the most eloquent orator in his country, where oratory is still held in very high esteem. Most of his literary work was done before he became king.

The modesty of King Oscar has been a favorite item of praise by his admirers for many years. When he traveled abroad he usually went incognito, and even in his own country he pre-

Sparre, the last and only one of my race."

"I am very glad to hear that," said the tall man as he drove away. "It would be a terrible thing to think there might be more of you coming."

As the tall man was King Oscar II., it is evident that the monarch possessed a sense of humor along with his other qualities.

Long the King of Two Countries.

It is said that Oscar's consuming desire from the time he ascended the throne was to go down in history as "the king of peace." That he lived up to this ambition two years ago, when he permitted Norway to become a separate kingdom without war, is a matter of recent interest. For thirty-three years he had been king of Sweden and Norway, but when the latter country desired to be represented abroad by its own consuls for its own interests the king accepted the situation and permitted Norway to depart in peace, though many of his counselors urged belligerent measures. King Oscar did not believe in coercing the common people. His own grandfather was a humble country notary in France before he fought with Napoleon.

When the king's son and successor, Crown Prince Gustave, was married to Princess Victoria of Baden in 1881 the father revealed not only his eloquent tongue, but his paternal heart in welcoming home the bridal couple.

It is interesting to note that by this marriage the crown prince brought back to Sweden to sit as queen upon the throne of her fathers a great-granddaughter of the banished King Gustave IV., who was driven from the kingdom by Bernadotte.

Most Popular Woman in Sweden.

The new king of Sweden, Gustave V., is said to be much less popular than was his father. According to report, he is reticent, sedate, exclusive and undemocratic. This tendency is attributed by some persons to his wife, who belongs to an ancient line of monarchs and holds tenaciously to the doctrine of the divine right of kings and the privileges of her class. Nevertheless, no woman in Sweden is more popular than she. Every year she provides a Christmas tree for the sick poor children in the hospital at Stockholm, going personally to the hospital to see the children. Her many kindnesses to the poor and the afflicted have caused her to be much beloved throughout the country.

Gustave is forty-nine years old and is not without experience as a ruler. For several months during his father's illness he was regent, ruling both Sweden and Norway. He showed excellent ability. Gustave's popularity has increased considerably since his earlier days, when he was quite unpopular.

Enthusiastic Hunter.

Gustave is called the Nimrod of the Swedish family. He is an enthusiast



OSCAR II., LATE KING OF SWEDEN.



GUSTAVE V., THE NEW KING, AND QUEEN VICTORIA.



After his university course he resumed his career in the navy, making cruises to many lands.

His brother, Gustave, the crown prince, died, and the second brother, Charles, became direct heir to the throne. Charles being childless, Prince Oscar thus became a distinct probability in the line of succession. He was twenty-eight years of age and unmarried. After visiting many European courts the prince met and married Princess Sophia of Nassau in 1857. On the death of Charles XV in 1872 Oscar II. ascended the throne. Thus the fourth Bernadotte king of Sweden and Norway was but two generations removed from the founder of the line, and he was born when Jean Bernadotte was still on the throne.

For many years King Oscar possessed the distinction of which it is said he was proud, of being the tallest of European monarchs. He stood six

ferred when on a trip to be known merely as a nobleman. It is related that on one occasion a purse proud nobleman rolled up to a wayside inn, his carriage horses spent, and haughtily demanded the hire of fresh animals.

"You must wait at least an hour for fresh horses," said the landlord.

"What? Is there no horse at once, my man?"

"The only horses I have are being hitched up for that gentleman yonder," said the innkeeper, pointing to a tall, slim man.

The nobleman approached the tall person, saying:

"I must have those horses. I will pay you a liberal bonus, my man."

"I intend to use them myself," quietly replied the other, stepping into his carriage.

"Perhaps you are not aware who I am," cried the haughty nobleman. "I am, sir, Field Marshal Baron George

hunter. While his father's tastes ran largely to literature, Gustave's bent is toward sportsmanship. Nevertheless, he is something of a student. Gustave is an admirer of Emperor William of Germany and has made a close study of military matters. When he was regent some years ago it was a matter of gossip that he aspired to make the dual kingdom a military power, and it was said by certain Swedes at the time of the separation of Norway that if Gustave were king he "would lick the devil out of the Norwegians" rather than let them go their way.

With more years and more experience, however, the successor to the democratic and amiable Oscar appears to have learned wisdom and acquired conservatism. It is generally believed throughout Sweden now that Gustave will make an acceptable king. Like his father, he is tall and of striking appearance.

PIG UPSETS POLICE.

Porter, Chased by Turkey, Creates Great Commotion in Brooklyn.

Brooklynites hurrying to their work stopped in astonishment on a recent morning as a big white pig darted out beneath the door of the saloon on the corner of Third avenue and Fifty-seventh street. Behind came an irate turkey scolder, and behind him again came Jack Kelly, the bartender.

The pig's legs were unsteady from the effects of the beer generous admirers had purchased for him the night before, but he made good time down Third avenue. At Fifty-fifth street a car had stopped. The pig boarded it. He upset the conductor and ran inside. Women screamed and tried to get out of his way, but he bumped about till the motorman opened the front door to investigate the commotion.

The pig made for the opening. He ran between the motorman's legs and threw him on his back. He alighted gracefully from the car and sped on down Third avenue. Several men tried to stop him and were overturned for their pains. Some one turned in a call for the police.

Lieutenant Murphy led out the reserves of the Fourth avenue station. They tried to surround the pig, but he broke through the cordon. Night sticks and stones thrown at him failed to reach him, and the pig disappeared down Fifty-second street to Second avenue. Policeman Ryan kept up the pursuit. At Fifty-first street he was gaining, and at Fiftyth street he caught up to and cornered the pig in a doorway. He fell on him and overwhelmed him. With the help of a dozen men and boys and a rope he led the animal to the police station, where he charged him with intoxication and resisting an officer.

Kelly arrived later and bailed out his charge.

SCRUBS BOY IN SCHOOL.

Schoolmistress Extends Curriculum to Include Cleanliness.

Miss Albertina Lehmann, a school-teacher of West Hammond, Ind., rolled up her sleeves and by vigorous application of muscle and a scrubbing brush succeeded in maintaining discipline and cleanliness in her school.

Albert Brant, a boy of fourteen years and from outward appearance as strong as the teacher, was the victim of her activities. Fifty-six pupils enjoyed an exciting half hour, at the end of which the teacher was fatigued, but determined, and Brant was several shades whiter.

Miss Lehmann began a crusade against dirty faces, but Brant said he

was going to keep his face the way he pleased. When the boy reached the school in the morning he saw standing upon the teacher's desk a great pile of soapy water and at its side a brush. Miss Lehmann called him to the front of the room, and the combat started. The teacher soon gained the advantage. She then unbuttoned the collar of his shirt and rolled back his sleeves, after which she applied the scrubbing brush.

Principal A. G. Deaver and the school janitor had concealed themselves in the hallway in order to meet any emergency, but their services were not needed.



GO TO JAIL FOR A DOG.

Devotion to Their Pet Land Britisher and Wife in Prison.

After a series of police court actions over the possession of a collie, in the last of which they were ordered to give the dog to another claimant, William Smith and his wife of London decided to disobey the magistrate's orders and go to jail instead.

When the magistrate signed the order to send the couple to prison for contempt of court he remarked, "It is preposterous for a man to go to prison for the love of a dog and not like the notion of a rational human being."

Smith's wife didn't think so, saying no martyrdom could be so painful as the loss of a good Christian collie.

Meanwhile the dog has mysteriously disappeared, but the Smiths say they will serve their time with satisfaction, knowing that the dog is to be cared for during the term of their imprisonment. The claimant whose right to the ownership of the dog was upheld by the court was equally attached to the animal.

Notice of Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Jan. 2, 1908. Notice is hereby given that WILLIAM SUDBRICKER, of Fort Benton, Montana, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 440, made December 21, 1907, for the NE 1/4, SW 1/4, SE 1/4 section 1, NW 1/4, NE 1/4 section 3, township 37 north, range 9 east, and that said proof will be made before Jeremiah Sullivan, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Fort Benton, Montana, on February 11, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Conrad Kulage, Frank Morger, John Lawton and Arthur Parger, all of Fort Benton, Montana.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

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UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Jan. 2, 1908. Notice is hereby given that EDWARD KARELS, of Gold Butte, Montana, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 340, made February 17, 1905, for the N 1/2 SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4 section 9, township 37 north, range 1 east, and that said proof will be made before John McDowell, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Gold Butte, Montana, on February 15, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Jacob Karlen, Thomas O. Loughlin, Albert Moise and Isaac Evans, all of West Butte, Montana.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Jan. 11, 1908. Notice is hereby given that JASPER MAZE, of Fort Benton, Montana, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 12,261, made June 19, 1901, for the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4 section 22, township 28 north, range 7 east, and that said proof will be made before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Fort Benton, Montana, on February 15, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Mancey, Edward Harris, Powell L. Smith and George Flint, all of Fort Benton, Mont.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Jan. 11, 1908. Notice is hereby given that HENRY E. LORANGER, of Chester, Montana, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 1226, for the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 section 10, township 31 north, range 6 east, before W. B. Pyper, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Havre, Mont., on Thursday, the 29th day of February, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land, viz: James Fitzpatrick, John Fitzpatrick, James S. Cox and Brown B. Weldy, all of Chester, Montana.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Jan. 18, 1908. Notice is hereby given that WILLIAM MITCHELL, of Chester, Montana, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 77, for the W 1/2 SE 1/4, W 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4 section 31, township 22 north, range 6 east, before W. B. Pyper, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Havre, Montana, on Friday, the 28th day of February, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land, viz: James Fitzpatrick, John Fitzpatrick, James S. Cox and Brown B. Weldy, all of Chester, Montana.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Dec. 27, 1907. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of Colorado, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, J. H. LEWATTE, of Highwood, county of Chouteau, State of Montana, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 24, for the purchase of the W 1/2 SW 1/4 section 24, NW 1/4 section 26, in township 20 north, range 9 east, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before J. H. Boyle, a U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1908.

He names as witnesses: Joseph Braithwaite, Jesse A. Bright, Joseph A. Baker and Morgan Murray, all of Highwood, Mont.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 30 day of March, 1908.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Jan. 25, 1908. Notice is hereby given that ALEXANDER HAN SATYNE, of Collins, Montana, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 11,288, made January 7, 1901, for lot 7, SW 1/4 section 11, and N 1/4 SE 1/4 section 10, township 25 north, range 1 east, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. land office at Great Falls, Montana, on March 5, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James Bell, Robert Ritchie, Donald Kerr and Benjamin Peist, all of Collins, Montana.

J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, LEWISTOWN, MONT., Jan. 23, 1908. Notice is hereby given that JOHN MURRAY, one of the heirs of Lewis C. Murray, deceased, of Big Sandy, Montana, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 202, made May 28, 1907, for lot 7, SW 1/4 section 28, lots 2 and 3, section 31, township 25 north, range 1 east, and that said proof will be made before Edgar B. Newhall, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Big Sandy, Montana, on March 19, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Frantz By, Frank E. Countryman, Fritz Jappe and Harris P. Burke, all of Big Sandy, Montana.

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