

THE CAREER OF JAPAN'S EMPEROR

Mutsuhito a Ruler Forty-five of His Sixty Years.

HIS LIFE ONCE ATTEMPTED.

Twelve of the Conspirators Were Executed, and Others Got Long Prison Terms—War With Russia a Notable Event of His Reign.

When the news of the critical illness of Mutsuhito, the one hundred and twenty-first emperor of Japan, reached this country his remarkable career was recalled.

Mutsuhito was born at Kioto on Nov. 3, 1852. He is the second son of the late Emperor Komei. He was nominated prince imperial and heir apparent on Nov. 10, 1890, and succeeded to the throne on the death of his father in 1897. He was crowned at Kioto on Oct. 12, 1898. Eleven days later he chose the name of Meiji to designate the era of his reign. He was married on Feb. 9, 1863, to the third daughter of Ichijo Tadaka, a noble of the first rank. His wife was born in 1850. She is known as her imperial majesty Haruko.

The Heir Apparent.

The present heir apparent to the Japanese throne is Yoshihito, the third son of Mutsuhito. He was born on Aug. 31, 1879, and was nominated heir apparent in 1887 and proclaimed crown prince in 1888. Prince Yoshihito has served in the army and navy of his country and in 1909 became both a lieutenant general and a vice admiral. May 10, 1909, he was married to Princess Sabuko, fourth daughter of Prince Kujo Michitaka. The crown prince has three sons, the youngest of whom was born in 1905.

While the emperor of Japan has been the ruler of his country for the last forty-five years, a period during which the empire has made remarkable industrial and political progress, he has lived a life of comparative seclusion and has rarely appeared in the conduct of affairs of state. He has worked through his ministers and advisers. The war with Russia and its successful outcome were among the notable events of his reign.

His Life Attempted.

One attempt against the emperor's life has been reported. This was in 1911. Twelve of the convicted conspirators were executed, and a number of others were sentenced to imprisonment for a term of years.

Emperor Mutsuhito has exchanged various messages with President Taft, a comparatively recent one being a dispatch thanking Mr. Taft for the American hospitality shown to Admiral Count Togo in this country in 1911. The emperor caused to be sent to this country recently a large consignment of Japanese cherry trees. These were planted in Riverside park, New York city.

YOUNG WEBB QUITS YALE.

Will Go to Oxford, but Will Return For Diploma.

Vanderbilt Webb, regarded by many as the most prominent member of the Yale class of '13, has left college and will enter Oxford in the fall. But he has practically completed his four years' course in three years and will return to Yale next June to receive his diploma of the class of '13.

Young Webb is the first scion of the Vanderbilt family to enter Yale in several years, and he has made the most brilliant record of any descendant of that family who has been enrolled at the university. He attained a philosophical oration, a Phi Beta Kappa scholarship stand, was elected editor in chief of the Yale Daily News, was president of the Yale Press club and was chosen a member of the Scroll and Key at the senior society elections in May.

Mr. Webb has severed all these ties to take his senior year in the English university. He has applied for membership at Oriel college, and there seems little doubt of his entrance there. He is a son of Dr. W. Seward Webb and a grandson of the late William H. Vanderbilt.

FLAG FOR SKY PILOTS.

Uniform More Churchly, Too, Proposed by Chaplain Waring.

"A Chaplain's Duties and How Best to Perform Them" is the title of Uncle Sam's latest best seller in the literary world. The book is published by the war department and was written by Chaplain George J. Waring of the Eleventh cavalry.

To hire army chaplains by contract instead of permanently employing them by giving them commissions is recommended in the book. The author decries the proposed scheme to give chaplains higher rank.

He urges that rectories be provided for chaplains at army posts and that a distinctive flag a blue field with a white cross be accorded them. To change the chaplains' uniform by making their costume more clerical and less military is also suggested by Chaplain Waring.

The publication is made by authority and direction of the war department, but without comment to show it has the official sanction of the department heads.

Mutsuhito, Emperor of Japan



THE MOST WONDERFUL MAP IN THE WORLD.

London Will Be Shown in Miniature When It is Completed.

If it all goes well and there are no serious delays, three or four years hence the London county council will have completed what is believed will be the most wonderful map in the world. Seventeen years have already been consumed in its preparation and \$85,000 has been expended on research and labor connected with it. A further expenditure of about \$25,000 is looked forward to with equanimity by the authorities.

The great map will really constitute a twentieth century London edition of England's famous Domesday Book. For it will show practically every building in the 116 square miles that go to make up Greater London, setting forth as far as possible the more important owners.

It has often been said that London was owned by a few great landlords, such as the Duke of Westminster, Lord Howard de Walden, Lord Cadogan, the Duke of Bedford and the Duke of Norfolk.

That is, of course, true in a general way, but this map shows that there are no fewer than 36,000 private owners who each possess enough property to make a noticeable showing on its face.

The map will not be issued to the public, but is really being prepared for the use of the county council itself. Although its cost has been enormous, it has already paid for itself by providing immediate data in street widening and improvement cases in which the county council was concerned. It is being drawn to the scale of five square feet to the square mile, so that the completed map, which, of course, will be made in sections, will measure 580 by 580 feet, or one-eighty-second of a square mile in area.

FROM COAST TO COAST ON \$5.

Trenton Doctor Undertakes Trip by Auto to Win \$10,000.

Dr. H. Benton Young, a physician, left Trenton, N. J., in his automobile with only \$5 in his pocket to travel from Canada to California on a wager of \$10,000 that he could make the trip and return and earn at least \$10 in every town in which he stopped for more than two hours. The money is to be paid to Dr. Young by William B. Kumpf of Burlington upon satisfactory proof that the conditions have been fulfilled.

Dr. Young agrees to make the journey and be back within six months. He is not to practice his profession and must not beg, borrow or steal. The doctor refuses to disclose the methods he will pursue.

PENNSYLVANIA'S NEW DEAN.

Dr. William Pepper Succeeds Dr. A. J. Smith at Medical School.

Dr. William Pepper has been appointed dean of the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania to succeed Dr. Allen J. Smith, brother of the provost, who resigned recently because he found the work too arduous. He will remain, however, as professor of pathology, comparative pathology and tropical science.

The new dean has been a member of the university faculty for five years, occupying the chair of clinical pathology. Dr. Pepper's father was provost of the university from 1881 until 1894. He is thirty-eight years old, is married and has three children.

AN INCIDENT OF THE SENATORS' POKER GAME.

Unusual Hand Falls to One Who Wins a \$12.50 Pot.

A very unusual poker hand was played recently in Washington in what is known as the "senators' poker game." The senators' poker game is composed of six or seven senators, who gather twice a week at one of the players' homes and "sit in," sometimes until they are greeted by the roosters announcing the dull gray dawn of the day that has arrived. In the last sitting there was one hand that has caused as much discussion and speculation as all the tariff bills put together and the Panama canal bill thrown in for good measure. Here is what happened:

Senator A opened a jackpot for \$3.75. Senator B, who was sitting on his left, took a squint at his hand and found a nine high straight. Mr. B slipped a glance at those behind him and thought he saw evidences of easy money and just "stayed." Three others trailed along. Senator X, who was dealing, asked how many cards were required. Senator A, the opener, said that he was satisfied with what he had. This started B to thinking. He figured that a nine high straight was pretty weak against the other pat hand. He noticed that all of his cards were spades, except the seven. That was a heart. He decided quickly. He tossed away the heart, hoping to make a flush or a straight flush. Senator A bet \$12.50. Senator B stepped down and looked again. In his hand there nestled a stranger. It was the seven of clubs, making his hand exactly of the same value as it had been originally. "I've just got to call," he said. Senator A had a seven high straight. Senator B won the money.

LAST JEFF DAVIS GUARD DEAD.

Wilkesbarre Man Who Was Only Survivor of Band Passes Away.

Michael O'Brien, the only living survivor of the civil war who stood guard over Jeff Davis while the rebel was a prisoner, died recently in Wilkesbarre, Pa. He was seventy-two years of age.

Mr. O'Brien served with the Third regiment Pennsylvania volunteers, and when the president of the Southern Confederacy was taken prisoner O'Brien was one of the men picked to serve as his guard. Those who served with O'Brien have since passed away.

Since his war days Mr. O'Brien took great delight in telling incidents of the time he was with Davis. He had much respect for the Confederate, but not his principles, and believed Davis was sincere in his efforts to build a nation in the south.

ARMY FLIERS UP 1,500 TIMES.

Figures For the Year Show Officers Were in Air 259 Hours and 15 Minutes.

Since the army aviation school was established in June last year the officers attached to it have had 250 hours and 15 minutes of actual flying. This includes all flights up until June 30 of this year.

During this period the number of individual flights totaled 1,500. From Jan. 1 to June 30 781 flights were made, consuming 130 hours and 12 minutes. These figures include actual service flights and disregard flights made by aeroplanes before final acceptance by the government, as well as the practice "hops" across the field of student officers.

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LARGEST FOOT IN COUNTRY.

Maryland Woman Wears No. 12, Eight Inches Across the Ball.

The largest foot in the country, a No. 12, eight inches across the ball, is in Maryland. It is the foot of a woman. The smallest foot, a No. 1, less than two inches across the ball, is in Milwaukee, that of a woman weighing 100 pounds.

The most peculiar foot, containing seven toes, is in North Hill, Pa.

These oddities in the feet of their patients formed the subject of a discussion at the last session of the convention of the National Association of Chiropodists in Chicago.

Dr. Frank King of Erie, Pa., said his best patient is a banker's wife, in his home town, both of whose feet contain seven toes. Mrs. Elsie Stroeter of Maryland was said by Dr. John Kenison to have the championship large foot, size No. 12, and eight inches across the ball. Dr. Alfred Joseph then said Mrs. Alice Plato, living in Milwaukee, although weighing 100 pounds, wears a No. 1 shoe.

Contrary to the popular idea that working people have more trouble with their feet than any other class, it was said society women outnumbered the working girls as possible cases for the chiropodists.

Well Brought Up.

"I hear the convict who escaped left a note behind him to the warden."

"Yes. He was a very polite convict. The note said: 'Please excuse the liberty I am taking.'"—Baltimore American.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WAYNE COUNTY. Libel in Divorce. No. 19, March Term, 1912. LILLIAN C. BUELL, Libellant, vs. LEWITT E. BUELL, Respondent. To LEWITT E. BUELL: You are hereby required to appear in the said Court on the second Monday in August, to answer the complaint exhibited to the judge of said court by Lillian C. Buell, your wife, in the cause above stated, or in default thereof a decree of divorce as prayed for in said complaint may be made against you in your absence. F. C. KIMBLE, Sheriff. Mumford, Attorney. Honesdale, July 2, 1912. 54w4