

SHADES OF CZAR WALK

Czarina's Egg of Solid Gold, Many Personal and Household Glories Of Russia's Last Royalty On Display

New York, Nov. 15: (CP)—An Easter egg of solid gold, six inches high, and studded with hundreds of diamonds and scores of rubies is the centre of an exhibition of jewelled art objects at Rockefeller Centre.

Of exquisite craftsmanship, these precious trinkets are the work of Carl Faberge, who was court jeweler and goldsmith to the last Czar of Russia and all were once the property of the Czar and members of his family.

The Easter egg was made by Faberge at the order of the Czarina to celebrate the second an-

niversary of the founding of St. Petersburg. It is elaborately designed in the Regence style. The egg can be opened and within is a miniature gold sculpture of Peter the Great.

A hundred other objects of every day use but artistically designed, worked in precious metals and studded with gems recall the luxury which surrounded the Russian Royal Family. Among a profusion of beautiful cigarette cases, perfume vials, parasol and walking stick handles are several sumptuous push buttons used to summon palace servants. One of these is made of pale green jade mounted with tiny elephants carved out of ivory and bearing jewel which serve as the buttons.

A selection of icons by Faberge is to be seen, as well as a finely chased and engraved silver coffee service, a pair of richly-decorated gold urns, a crystal vase mounted with gold scrolling and a number of similar treasures.

NEWS OF THE MINES

Ore Being Shipped From Babine Property Into Smithers—What Premier and Pitt are Doing In Australia—Hudson Bay Mountain Likened to Noranda

Ore taken out in recent work on the Silver Pick property in the Babine district is being trucked to Smithers for shipment. There will be a carload of the ore which is expected to return high values. Mining operations have now been suspended owing to snow conditions but work will be renewed next spring. Meantime, the operators of the Silver Pick property have also

taken an option on the Wright property closer to town and further down the hill. The plan is to take out ore for shipment during the winter months.

Completing five and a half months on his second trip into the Unuk district, Oscar Larson recently arrived in Prince Rupert from Stewart, expressing satisfaction with the season's work on the Unuk properties. With locations made during the past two seasons, Mr. Larson is now interested in some fifteen claims on what is now known as the main Unuk River but which was formerly called the South Fork. The ground is about twelve miles or so from the forks and approximately twenty-eight miles from the Alaskan boundary. The showings consist of a strong "arena" vein, carrying good gold and silver values. Mr. Larson is the only one operating in his section which is about twenty-five or thirty miles south of the Premier holdings. The nearest operation to him is that of Placer and lode properties being developed by Johnson brothers and Unuk Placers which are situated on Sulphide Creek. Mr. Larson proceeds from here to Vancouver but will be going back into the Unuk next spring.

The Australian venture of the Premier Gold Mining Co. is now going ahead by leaps and bounds since Dale L. Pitt, general manager, who is so well known in Northern British Columbia, took personal charge there three years ago. Early production from the company's Big Bell mine in Australia is fore-shadowed by a bill having come before the Australian Parliament to authorize the construction of about twenty miles of railway from Cue to the mine at a cost of £60,000. The company has agreed to put up £50,000 as a guarantee of the further development of the property, this to be returned to the company on completion of the plant, arrange-

ments for the shipping of which are now well in hand. Treatment is expected to begin next April, initially at 30,000 tons monthly and later at double this rate. Proven ore reserves are estimated at 3,500,000 tons of which 1,200,000 tons are blocked out. The Big Bell is a low grade deposit, the lease of which is shared by the American Smelting & Refining Co. (forty per cent), Premier Gold Mining Co. (forty per cent), Terra Nova Properties (fifteen per cent) and Mining Trust (five per cent). Operation of the mine is in personal charge of Mr. Pitt. Diamond drilling below the 300-foot level has disclosed ore of a higher average grade than was found in the upper workings. The 300-foot level is the lowest at which drifting and cross-cutting has been done. Whereas it was calculated that the average grade of ore would be about \$6.75 per ton in gold, deep drilling is reported to have led to the conclusion that much of the ore below the 300-foot level will grade between \$9 and \$10 per ton. Operating costs are expected to be about \$3 per ton at the outset and, with subsequent increases in milling capacity, may be reduced to about \$2.50 per ton. While beginning with a capacity of 1000 tons daily, the mill is expected to be increased shortly to 2000 tons capacity and, by stages, up to 5000 tons or more. The ore body, according to last official information, has been proven over a length of 1200 feet but further work is understood to have extended it another 1200 feet. The mineralized zone, in all, is said to be about three miles long.

Finishing touches have been put to the building for the mill to be installed by Gold Leasers on the Georgia River mining property down Portland Canal from Stewart. With the completion of this work which, as a preliminary required heavy rock excavating in order to secure a suitable site, everything is now in readiness for the installation of the machinery which is expected to arrive from the south as soon as weather conditions permit a fairly decent trail from beach to mine.

Dr. M. F. Bancroft, who carried out extensive work for the federal Geological Survey in the Smithers district during the past season, declared that Hudson Bay Mountain has all the favorable rocks and all the minerals of the famous Noranda mine. "From what I saw at the Duthie and Mamie properties," writes Dr. Bancroft, "I feel that there is no question but that substantial values will be won from them. I hope Mr. Duthie can get some action on that property and get things in shape to benefit as prices improve. With plant and equipment as it stands, an energetic mining program could be initiated in short order to test out excellent surface showings with gold a more important item than it was in the mining operations of earlier days."

Freighting of supplies and equipment from Stewart to the Big Missouri mine for the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. is being rushed despite recent unfavorable weather conditions.

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CHILDREN'S STORY HOUR

Will Commence This Saturday In Toc H Rooms

The Children's Story Hour will be inaugurated for the season on Saturday, November 21, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the new headquarters, the Toc H Rooms. The first meeting is for children between the ages of four and eight, the second hour on November 28 for those between the ages of nine and 12, the groups meeting on alternate Saturdays thereafter.

The staff of this civic project has been especially trained during the past two weeks in classes dealing with story telling, theory and practical demonstrations. In addition to trained story tellers the hour will include such features as request stories and a serial. All children in the city are welcome at this program of entertainment.

WHIFFLETS

From the Waterfront

Up to late this morning there was no report as to when C. N. R. steamer Prince John, Capt. Neil McLean, might be expected to arrive from Vancouver via Queen Charlotte Islands. The vessel has been delayed by stormy weather on the present voyage and was still in Skidegate Inlet at 10 o'clock this morning. This means she will probably not arrive here before tomorrow afternoon or evening.

C. N. R. steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. H. E. Neidden, arrived in port at 10:30 o'clock this morning from Vancouver, Powell River and Ocean Falls and will sail at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Stewart and Anxox whence she will return here tomorrow evening southbound.

Capt. "Jim" Morrison made a trip to Big Bay yesterday aboard the power tug F. H. Phippen. He said that it was the roughest passage he had ever made between here and the mill point. However, the doughty skipper and his staunch little vessel made it safely.

GOOD BILL PRESENTED

Uproarious Laurel and Hardy Comedy, Thrilling Intrigue Story And Capitoliens

Two feature pictures—"Our Relations," with Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy, the popular comedy team, and "I Stand Condemned," thrilling drama of love and espionage in World War Russia with Harry Baur, great French character actor in the leading role—and the Capitoliens concert party, under direction of Dr. H. N. Brocklesby, make an exceptionally interesting mid-week entertainment at the Capitol Theatre.

In "Our Relations" Laurel and Hardy appear first as respectable residents of a quiet seaport town living a sedate life with their wives then as twin sailor brothers reported to have been hanged for joining in a mutiny and, finally, are flashed doubly on the screen. The stirring and funny adventures that beset them are said to be highly mirth-provoking. The supporting cast includes such well known screen figures as Alan Hale, Sidney Toler, Daphne Pollard and Lona Andre. The settings are the most elaborate ever presented in a Laurel and Hardy comedy. There is also a humorous and tunesome musical score.

The powerful story of "I Stand Condemned" depicts the conflict between three people—an elderly and cold-blooded gambler, his lovely young war nurse fiancée and a handsome young officer with whom she falls in love. There are thrilling episodes and an unexpected climax. The Capitoliens, in their presentation, will feature singing and musical numbers from "Rose Marie."

WOULD SAVE WILD FLOWERS

CAPTOWN, Nov. 15: (CP)—Describing it as "criminal neglect," Lady Phillips declared at the Cape Wild Flower Show South Africa's native flora would soon vanish unless drastic measures were taken immediately to protect it.

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