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**VICTOR EMMANUEL III.** There is increasing evidence that this Emperor of Ethiopia, King of Albania, and forgotten man of Italy, may be last of his line to sit upon the throne. His son Umberto is less disposed to just sit than his father. It's no secret Mussolini has considered others as Emmanuel's successor. V. E., who'll be 70 next Nov. 11, has only himself to blame for Il Duce. He chose him in 1922 in preference to dictatorship by Premier Fasta, aided him in attaining supreme power. Hasn't had any choice about anything since. Numismatics, a subject on which he's one of the world's best authorities, helps him pass the time between puppet shows.