

Michael's Romance Hits Snag

(By Michael Goldsmith) LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Jan. 11.—(AP)—An aide to former King Michael of Romania said Saturday that Michael's expected marriage to Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma is off, at least for the immediate future.

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PHONE SAUNDERS 1806 for group and wedding pictures on location. THE OVERSEAS NEWS... FUTURE SATURDAY—The funeral of Mrs. Blois Toombs...

SLIGHT TRAFFIC ACCIDENT—A slight accident occurred in the footstep of his father, former King Carol II, who once renounced his rights to the throne for romantic reasons.

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SUGGESTS PROGRAM

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price levels which will be fair to both him and the consumer. When Decline Began

Illustrating by census returns and departmental records the decline in the Province's agricultural production over more than 60 years, Mr. Shaw showed that the growth of wheat had dropped in the Province from an all-time high in 1901 of 738,679 bushels to 36,900 last year.

Mr. Shaw revealed figures which showed that potato and turnip yields were greater during the last few years than at any other time in the history of the Province—9,780,000 bushels of potatoes and 6,600,000 bushels of roots, mostly turnips in 1947—but he said that those yields were grown by the importation of huge amounts of fertilizer and the more or less placing "our eggs in one basket."

Mr. Shaw suggested many of his livestock by inferring from "that back in 1881, 67 years ago, the island had 39,083 acres of potatoes with a yield of over six million bushels. Those, he said, were produced when such a thing as artificial fertilizer was unknown."

Mr. Shaw quoted figures to show that Island farmers in 1946 had imported 53,000 tons of animal feeds which had cost them about two million dollars. If the amount of animal feed imported were converted to a barley basis, it would represent Mr. Shaw said, 2.4 million bushels of barley. Last year, Island farmers had grown 321,000 bushels. The value of flour imported to the Province last year was estimated at over 1.2 million dollars and the latest figures for fertilizer show that 58,372 tons at a cost of 2 million dollars were imported in 1946.

The live stock population, with the exception of swine and poultry has steadily decreased since the last 60 years. The number of horses in the Province rose from 31,335 in 1881 to 25,865 in 1911 but continued to drop steadily from 1930 to 1946. There were 13,300 in 1946, a decrease of 11,565 in 36 years.

Mr. Shaw said, "The figure for 1947 is 12,800 as compared to 13,300 in 1946. It is the same story with sheep. Back in 1881 when practically every farmer kept a small flock, there were 168,493. That figure has steadily decreased since 1911. World War I gave the sheep industry a boost so that when the next census was taken in 1921, 131,763 sheep were grazing on Island farms. But steadily since World War II and the accompanying high prices for wool, the sheep population continued to decline so that last year there were only 48,600 in the Province.

The exact result of the sudden rise in all animal feeds a few months ago had a serious effect on the present hog population as many hogs were killed off their farms. But last year there was an all-time record Island hog population of 64,000.

Poultry, too, Mr. Shaw said, were at an all-time high in the Province as last year the Island had 1,330,000 poultry which is approximately 150 per cent increase over the number of 814,000, which were on Island farms in 1941.

Despite the high prices offered for all dairy products, Mr. Shaw said cheese production had fallen alarmingly. Only 854,423 pounds were produced last October which was compared to 4,457,519 pounds in 1941. Butter production continued to show an increase as there were 3,529,000 pounds produced last year as compared to the previous high record of 2,927,831 in 1941. However, Mr. Shaw said, there were only 115,000 pounds in storage at the present time in the face of a domestic demand which would take many times that amount from the Province if it were available.

Mr. Shaw said the present trend showed that many worthwhile crops which were grown by the Island farmer years ago are not now grown or, at best, in negligible quantities. He mentioned beans, peas, flax and other small crops. All those played an important part, he said, in the Island's agricultural economy at one time.

St. Laurent Says Gov't Concerned Over Profiteering

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QUEBEC, Jan. 11.—(CP)—External Affairs Minister St. Laurent said in an address here Saturday that Federal authorities are concerned about profiteers taking advantage of Canada's present economic situation and are at work on the problem.

"Today I cannot say more than this," added Mr. St. Laurent who spoke before a luncheon gathering at the Liberal Party's Reform Club in Quebec.

He discussed post-war loans extended by the United States to Canada and said they had prevented domestic unemployment which would have resulted from lack of export markets as well as "chaos" in Europe that today might have been beyond remedy.

The result of foreign buying in Canada with the proceeds of Canadian loans, said Mr. St. Laurent was that Canada today enjoyed a higher level of employment than ever before, better farm prices and higher wages for labor.

A domestic effect of the policies of aid to Europe had been the "inflation factor" due to the amount of money in circulation to pay for enormous United States and Canadian production and "massive displacement" of products overseas.

"The prices of what we keep for our own consumption have a tendency to rise," said the Minister. Mr. St. Laurent said there were inevitable increases in the prices of imported consumer goods and raw materials for industry. During the war the Government had been able to control these increases by rationing but of taxation but the Government was the principal buyer of national output.

The subsidy system of price-control was neither possible, nor desirable in peacetime, he said, "and the individual consumer must give up today what is imported or pay the price asked for by the foreign producer."

Such price increases were inevitable and increase in one department of the economy nudged up those in other departments, said Mr. St. Laurent. Wages, production costs and sale prices followed each other up with a "powder train" effect.

He gave an outline of the serious social and economic conditions which are now prevalent in the Eastern Hemisphere. Only by study and action, based on justice and Christian principles could the world be saved from depression and Communism, Father Francis said.

land farmer is cutting his fertilizer imports 50 per cent, for great quantities came to the Province last fall by water. However, 20 cars of lime which, technically, is not a fertilizer was brought over last month. None was imported in December, 1946.

No butter and cheese was exported from the Province last month though two cars of those dairy products were ferried to the mainland in December of 1946. One car of eggs was shipped last month as compared to none for the corresponding month of the previous year.

Eighty-three cars of live stock, many of them consigned to Newfoundland, left the Province last month as compared to 93 cars in December, 1946.

MORRISON IS

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press, wholesale witch hunting, and even the very unjudicious execution of non-Communist political leaders.

"Nobody is seeking to upset the internal security of the Soviet Union. Can they not begin to reverse engines and to discard provocative policies by which they are not only running the risk of war at some time, but which are impeding the economic recovery and progress of mankind?"

Britain Would Co-operate. He said Britain wants to co-operate with the Soviet Union, "but we cannot be expected at all times to be down to the untruthful and malicious attacks which are made upon our country and our Government by the reckless propaganda machines of the Russian Communists, and of the Communist Parties of the world, which conduct themselves as the servile automatic outposts of the Soviet Foreign Office."

Morrison said he had never admitted, "and I admit it less and less," that the Communists are on the left.

"They are on the right. The Prime Minister was correct in a recent broadcast in lamenting that in this year of 1948—the centenary of the Communist manifesto of 1848—so many countries in Europe should be going into reverse against the very cause of freedom for which brave men risked their all in the European revolutionary efforts of a century ago."

He also attacked Russia for opposing the European recovery program and said he could not understand Russian motives "unless it be the old and evil doctrine that the more misery there is in the world, the better it is for revolutionary Communist success, the doctrine of triumph through chaos."

Defines Foreign Policy. Morrison defined three main purposes in British foreign policy. "The first is the promotion of international action, through the United Nations, to prevent any future wars. This involves much more than passing resolutions. We have to take action, sometimes run risks. It means preparation of a program of positive work, it means the availability of, and if necessary, readiness to use, armed forces to prevent the outbreak of violence."

Britain's second purpose was promotion of economic co-operation with a view to increasing the prosperity and security of all countries. "No nation can thrive permanently on the misery of others, and certainly Britain can not."

The third was to lift the standard of life of the so-called—and often mis-called—backward peoples. "We want to help colonial peoples towards an increasing degree of self-government, social well-being and knowledge, so that they can eventually take their place with the other free nations of the Commonwealth."

"There is no confusion in our minds between development and exploitation. This development will come with the co-operation and good will of the colonial peoples themselves."

THREE WOUNDED. Continued from page 1. treat and died in an automobile. All those in the house soon followed and only one attendant remained with the three injured patrons. He called police.

The detectives reached the scene at the same time as the morality squad who had arrived to raid the barboite game which has been playing hide-and-seek with police for several months, travelling from one suburban community to another.

The injured men were rushed to hospital but they refused to help the police in their investigation and detectives still were trying to question them early tonight.

Passengers Rescued From Russian Ship

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TOKYO, Jan. 11.—(AP)—All passengers, originally reported at "other Russian ship" from the heavily-littered Russian motor ship Dvina off the east coast of Hokkaido, the distressed ship radioed early today.

The message specified that further assistance was needed from United States craft. The Dvina said she had been taken in tow by a Soviet destroyer. The Dvina ran into stormy weather on the Kamchatka Peninsula to Vladivostok. She sent out radio calls Wednesday.

All-sea rescue fliers said the Dvina appeared to be an American-built Liberty ship of about 5,600 tons, and photographs they took bore this out, but in Washington the United States Maritime Commission said she actually was built in Spain in 1927 and was formerly named the Cabo Quilates, of 6,629 tons.

Steel Workers To Seek Pay Boost. TORONTO, Jan. 11.—(CP)—A 10 per cent wage raise higher than the industry-wide last October will be sought by the United Steelworkers of America (U.S.W.A.) on behalf of workers in Canada's three main basic steel plants, it was decided at a week-end meeting of the Union's national policy committee.

The present hourly basic rate in the three main steel plants in Canada is \$2.1-2 cents an hour, said Cheve Kidd, Union research director. "This means \$39.60 for a 48-hour week and is far short of the \$44.45 figure which the Toronto Welfare Council has set as a weekly irreducible minimum to provide an adequate budget for a family of five in Toronto."

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BIRTHS. MILLS — At the King's County Hospital, Montserrat, on Jan. 10 to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mills (son, Doreen Murdoch) Toronto, a son, John Murray.

MARRIAGES. GREEN-MURPHY — On December 29th, 1947, at St. James Church, St. John's, N.B., by Rev. Father Wallace, Reginald Joseph Grew, to Mary Agnes Murphy, Fredericton, P. E. I.

DEATHS. FOX — At Charlottetown, Jan. 11, 1948, Arthur J. Fox of Springfield West in his 58th year. Remains will be forwarded from the Cuthbert Funeral Home this afternoon to his late residence. Funeral notice later.

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Jewish Agency Admits Purchasing Explosives. NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—(AP)—The Jewish Agency for Palestine has acknowledged that it was the purchaser of 190 tons of explosives seized by police and federal agents in New York and New Jersey.

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