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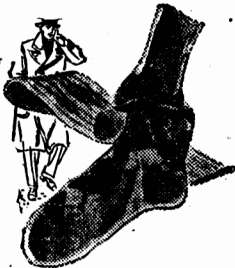
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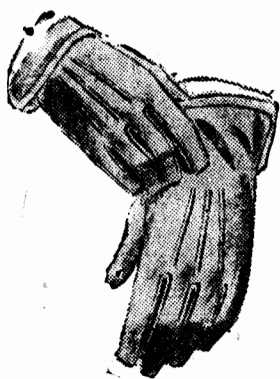
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State Controls Still Issue In United Kingdom

By JAMES McCORMACK (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, Dec. 15 — (CP) — Sir Stafford Cripps, Minister for economic affairs and chancellor of the exchequer, has set up a committee to simplify and reduce the number of forms which clog the desks of British exporters. The forms symbolize the controls applied to every British citizen during the war and still in effect. The housewife, discontented with her present grocer and wishing to buy elsewhere, must fill in forms. The business man, with a market for costly machinery, must do the same. Even Labor leaders, who accept the theory of over-all planning of the nation's affairs, regret the number of forms. Conservatives, as the chief opposition party, protest the complications of everyday life. But Winston Churchill, opposition leader, acknowledges the certain basic standards of living must be ensured before free enterprise is given its head as he would like. Labor spokesmen say that, in spite of Conservative protest, world shortages and British economic woes would have meant almost as many controls and forms under a Conservative government as under the present administration.

Appeals "Unreal"

Prime Minister Attlee says Churchill's appeal for a better chance for free enterprise are "unreal." Labor supporters buttress his statement with quotations from Conservative policies. Although opposed to nationalization generally, the Conservatives have stated in their "Industrial Charter" that they will not seek to "denationalize" the coal industry if elected. They will examine nationalized transport, electricity, civil aviation and other industries and services left over by a Labor administration without promising that they will automatically be returned to private ownership.

The Conservatives agree that "unscrambling" a nationalized industry will present innumerable problems. Beyond that, they agree that some form of government controls — even if it did not go as far as nationalization was — would be the coal industry. Some Conservatives would also apply some form of national control to other basic industries such as fuel. A Conservative criticism, supported by many non-political Britons, is that the Labor government has chosen the worst possible time to carry out its nationalization program. Britain had enough to do to retain her position economically after the war without tinkering with new experiments, they argue. The Socialists reply that the longer proper planning and direction of industry is delayed, the more difficult Britain's position will become.

Charge Bad Management

Conservatives say that the United States loan would have lasted longer if free enterprise had been allowed to guide recovery with full use of its business and trading experience. Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, a former Conservative minister, said the fuel crisis last February was due to the government's bad management and cost £200,000,000 (\$800,000,000) in loss of production of goods which might have been exported. Government spokesmen deny mismanagement and blame world conditions. They deny Labor "experiments" were financed by drawing on the United States loan.

Hugh Dalton, then chancellor of the exchequer, said the dollars were spent on essential capital goods to re-equip industry, on food and essential services with nothing to support charges they were "wasted and dissipated, and have leaked away or disappeared through some miracle or failure of control by those who work for me."

Princess And Husband Return To London

LONDON, Dec. 15 — (AP) — Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip stepped off the Aberdeen Express yesterday and drove off to Buckingham Palace. The Princess with a pink scarf flipping over her brown hair, and Prince Philip, hatless and overcoatless in the chilly dawn air, were coming back to the workaday world of royalty after 23 days of honeymoon seclusion. After some time at Buckingham Palace they drove to Windsor Castle for a family party observing the King's 52nd birthday. Today, Prince Philip — still on the active list as a lieutenant in the Royal Navy — reported for duty in the Admiralty Operations Division. Princess Elizabeth will oversee redecoration of Clarence House, an old mansion overlooking St. James' Park, where they will live. Meantime, the young couple will live at Buckingham Palace. While the Prince got all set to earn his \$51.80 a week as a Naval lieutenant — including a marriage allowance of \$750. Payment was set to fight over whether he should have a proposed £1,000 (\$40,000) a year as a royal duke and husband of the heiress presumptive to the throne.

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800,000 Japs Remain To Be Sent Home

By JAMES D. WHITE

Associated Press News Analyst: Out of 6,607,158 Japanese soldiers and civilians left abroad at the end of the war, about 800,000 remain to be repatriated, official figures show. Most of these are in Russia, from where about 50,000 have been arriving back in Japan each month under agreement reached in Tokyo about a year ago. How many Japanese remain elsewhere in Asia has not been reported in summary. If actually known, however, it is known that in many places they are a source

of trouble and are being used by one side or another in various regional struggles since the war ended. Here is an outline of what goes on:
In French Indo-China the French have a group of Japanese officers who go into rebellious areas and try to persuade Japanese fighting with the Viet Nam army to give up and be repatriated. Some of these officers get shot; others disappear. Still others return and say the Japanese on the other side are being well-treated and intend to stay on.
In the Netherlands East Indies the Dutch still report finding Japanese bodies now and then among republican casualties. Otherwise Southeast Asia is swept pretty clean of Japanese. All areas under American control have been clear for a year.
In China, although around 1,500,000 Japanese have been sent home, there still are important groups left behind. Prominent

among these is Gen. Yasuji Okamura, the Japanese supreme commander in China who surrendered at Nanking and who still functions there as chief repatriation liaison officer, complete with staff and headquarters.
Another China group is in Shansi, where the Chinese Communists assert that a full division (normally about 20,000 men) under Gen. Ueno is serving with the Marshal Yen Hsi-Shan. Until recently, Yen also sheltered about 900 Japanese civilians, mostly technicians, in addition to a number of Japanese prisoners. The Chinese Communists themselves have an unknown but probably considerable number of Japanese, mostly in Manchuria.
The Russian repatriation schedule for Japanese prisoners developed a hitch last week. Because of ice in Siberian and Sakhalin ports, the Russians offered two icebreakers to keep the ports open, and alternatively suggested that more southerly ports be used.
Neither idea is likely to get very far. The icebreakers would operate in ports now closed to foreign shipping, and the warmer alternative ports suggested by MacArthur would probably be in Northern Korea, where Russian security practices are equally strict.



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