

Ex-King Farouk Of Egypt Suffers Income Reduction To Mere \$3 Million Yearly

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CAIRO — It depends on how you look at it. One way, you can take ex-King Farouk's word for it that he is a "relatively poor man." He has suffered a drastic cut in wages and standard of living.

For instance, at Capri he restricted himself to \$400-a-day lodgings.

The last year he occupied the Egyptian throne he had an income of more than \$113,000 a week—just from the state and one reported holding of arable land. He had four major palaces and a half-dozen others scattered around the country.

At Capri he spent \$400 a day. In Egypt, his minimum income was \$165,000 a day.

The hidden story of the fabulous wealth and income of the playboy-monarch is slowly being pieced together.

El Sayed Ahmed Khasaba, one of the two custodians of the king's property, has disclosed that part of Farouk's personal holdings included 12,000 acres of the most fertile soil in the Nile Valley. This did not include what is scattered around under concealed names and owned by various members of the royal household.

These particular 12,000 acres have been estimated to be worth \$17,200,000. The annual income for Farouk from these lush acres was \$2,152,000.

He got another \$3,731,000 from the Egyptian state last year to run the royal household.

Egypt Holdings Lost
Just from these two sources alone, Farouk had an annual income of nearly six million dollars a year. He had other resources, of course, including his secret holdings abroad. These have been estimated at between 40 million and 560 million dollars in cash and securities on foreign banks.

When the whole story of the vast Farouk economic structure is pieced together there is virtually no chance that Farouk will ever get a penny out of Egypt. There has been a public clamor for confiscation of his properties. Already his four major palaces have been

put directly under the control of the government.

All of which makes him a "relatively poor man." His income has been slashed from a minimum of 10 million dollars a year to whatever he can eke out of the investments abroad.

That's roughly three million dollars a year.

Effort To Oust Rat From Auto Costly In Result

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — E. Elmwall got rid of a rat that was hiding in his car — at a cost of six persons injured, an automobile repair shop damaged, five cars badly smashed and hundreds of windows broken in the small village of Sparreholm, 53 miles west of Stockholm.

Elmwall, owner of the repair shop, found the rat behind the seat cushions of his car yesterday. Unable to reach the pest, he drove the car to his garage and filled it with acetylene to kill the rat.

A moment later, an explosion — believed set off by an electric short in the car — rocked the neighborhood. The top of Elmwall's automobile sailed 75 feet through the air. Four other cars in the garage — and the building itself — were badly damaged.

The six injured men, two of whom were seriously hurt, were hit by falling debris.

No trace of the rat has been found yet.

Of America's 10 leading sires of 1952, seven raced at Hialeah. They were Bull Lea, Heliopolis, Blue Swords, Attention, Easy Mon, War Relic and War Admiral.

Ski Club Plans Taft Mountain Sports Locality

Plans for the Edelweiss Ski Club to construct a winter sports area on Taft Mountain were told by Gordon Carlson, and motion pictures of skiing on the Willamette Pass were shown by Jay Golden at the Kiwanis Club meeting Tuesday noon in the Patel Umpqua.

Additional on the program, Horace Berg, Kiwanis lieutenant governor, and Maurice Newland, northwest Key Club committeeman, reported briefly on a Northwest Kiwanis meeting they attended last weekend in Seattle.

Harry Hill reported on the success of the grade school jamboree held Monday night on Finlay Field. Walter Fisher was program chairman.

Carlson told briefly the steps leading up to organization of the Edelweiss Club and the reasons for deciding to develop the Taft Mountain area up Emile Creek, rather than the less accessible and less desirable Red Butte area, previously considered.

Construction Problems

He listed the four problems the club is in the process of solving to develop the area. First is snow removal for the three or four miles up to the ski area. As purchase of regular rotary equipment was prohibitive, the club accepted the offer of Cliff Wolbert, a ski enthusiast himself, to construct a plow, with the aid of members, that would cost approximately \$2000.

Clearing of the mountain slope, the second problem, is being taken care of by Roseburg Lumber Co., which has purchased and is removing the timber. It will have cleared up to 1200 or 1400 feet by the time winter snows force logging to close, and that is sufficient area to develop this year, anyway, said Carlson.

Construction of shelters and rope tows are the two other problems.

Still another problem, encompassing the previous ones, is how to pay the cost, according to Carlson. A tentative budget has been set up as follows: Snow plow, \$2,215; rope tows, five of them, 600 feet in length, \$4,000; buildings, \$7,000; additional supplies and equipment, about \$700 for a total of approximately \$14,000.

How is this money to be raised? The most of it will have to come from direct contributions from merchants and industries, said Carlson. Dues and life memberships in the club and money-raising projects will take care of part, but about \$10,000 will have to come from direct donations, he said.

Not only a ski area, but also tobogganing, sledding, and possibly a skating area, for which plans are being worked out by Stewart Stephens, will be possible, according to Carlson.

BAPTISTS TO MEET

PENDLETON (AP) — A state-wide convention of the Oregon Baptist Youth Fellowship will be held here November 28-29.

Some 200 youths are expected at the meeting from Oregon churches of the American Baptist Convention.

4-H Club Adult Heads To Discuss Fair Plans

A committee of 4-H Club adult workers will meet Thursday to discuss plans for the 1953 County Fair and principally to decide what information will go in the 1953 Fair premium book, Max Kumler, 4-H Club agent reports.

Expected to attend are Mrs. Allen Esselstrom, Oakland; Lloyd Traylor, Gunter; Mrs. Dorothy Willis, Green; Kenneth Knechtel, Wilbur; Bob Borland, \$952 Fair

manager; Lou Bogard, 4-H Club agent, and Kumler.

U. S. Employees In Oregon To Pay Withholding Tax

SALEM (AP) — Federal employees in Oregon will start paying the state withholding tax about next April, State Tax Commissioner Ray Smith said Wednesday.

The federal workers now have to pay their state income tax in annual, semi-annual or quarterly payments.

Smith said Congress passed a law this year to allow states to withhold income taxes from pay checks. Vermont and Oregon are the only states affected.

Before the taxes are deducted, the state must make a formal agreement with the U. S. Treasury Department.

This agreement probably will be signed next month.

Alleged Killer Sues For Bonds Of Victim

ASTORIA (AP) — Ward Wenger, accused of killing his foster mother, filed a \$10,000 damage suit Tuesday against a trust company that holds bonds owned by his foster mother, Mrs. Marie Wenger.

The suit said the Pioneer Trust Co. failed to turn over to him the sole heir under Mrs. Wenger's will—\$1,000 in bonds.

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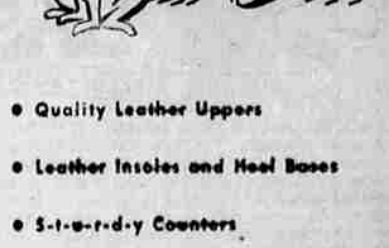
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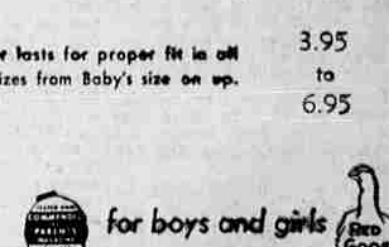
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