

Number of Unmarried Princesses Causes Alarm Among Royal Family Matchmakers

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 London —(UPI)— Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown—especially when the Royal Palace is overstocked with unmarried princesses.

For the simple fact agitating the family councils of the kings and queens of Europe is that there are not enough royal princes to go around.

There are 26 unmarried princesses and only 16 princes. Even if some royal matchmaker succeeds in pairing them off—as some are trying to do—there would still be 10 princesses for whom the choice would be a kind heart rather than a coronet.

This is the sort of arithmetic worrying Queen Juliana of the Netherlands (four unmarried daughters), King Gustav VI Adolf of Sweden (three unmarried granddaughters), King Frederik of Denmark (three unmarried daughters), King Paul of Greece (one unmarried daughter) and the pretenders of France, Italy and Spain (six unmarried daughters).

British Lead Way
 In fairy tales the commoner may yearn in vain for the unattainable princess. In real life the commoner never had it so good, a possibility that does not alarm European royalty as much these days as it did before the haughty British royal family itself acquired a relative named Jones.

That is, if the commoner is able to keep his royal bride in the style to which she is accustomed—a cozy little palace or two, for example.

But since royalty prefers to mate with royalty the recent engagement of Crown Prince Constantine of Greece—one of the two most eligible royal figures in Europe—to pretty 16-year-old Princess Anne-Marie of Denmark, caused as much gloom in some quarters as it did gaily in Copenhagen.

Now if the parents of eligible princesses are hoping for a throne, there are only Crown Prince Harald of Norway and 17-year-old Crown Prince Carl Gustav of Sweden—until 14-



year-old Prince Charles of Britain arrives at man's estate. And Prince Harald is alarming the royal matchmakers with his attentions to a lovely commoner, Sonja Haraldsen.

Matchmaking Open
 The engagement of Constantine to Anne-Marie is a prime example of the royal matchmaking that goes on openly—not to say brazenly—in postwar Europe.

Queen Frederika of Greece organized a Mediterranean cruise for royalty which eventually led to the marriage of her daughter, Princess Sophie, to Prince Juan Carlos who may some day sit on the throne of Spain.

Queen Juliana of Holland invited all the eligible young men around to a ball in honor of Crown Princess Beatrix, 25, King Baudouin of Belgium summoned the unmarried princesses of Europe to a ball in Brussels—though he later took as his queen a Spanish commoner, Fabiola.

And Constantine and Anne-Marie met at the widely publicized "princesses ball" which the hopeful Danish royal family staged at its residence in Copenhagen, Amalienborg Castle. Constantine, 22, invited Anne-Marie—she was then 15—to waltz.

Their hearts were still beating in three-quarter time when they waltzed again some months later at the wedding in Athens last May of Princess Sophie and Juan Carlos. When Constantine kissed her goodbye as she left Ath-

Amsterdam, Holland—The Dutch Royal family is shown in an official portrait taken April, 1962 on the silver anniversary of Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard. Shown are, left to right, seated, Princess Margriet, Queen Juliana, Prince Bernhard and Princess Marijke. In the back row are Princess Irene, left; and Princess Beatrix.

ens for home this was taken as sealing the romance. Any commoner with royal pretensions should remember that a kiss in public is as good as an engagement ring.

Lists Scanned
 Though the barriers against marrying commoners are breaking down, as they must if there is not to be a record crop of royal spinsters, two European princesses will certainly marry into royal houses and the slender list of eligibles is being anxiously scanned by their parents.

Crown Princess Beatrix of the Netherlands is one of them. The other is Crown Princess Margrethe, 22, of Denmark, oldest sister of Anne-Marie. Beatrix once had a friendship with a young student but when someone raised the question of marriage she sighed: "I will have to find a husband among a small set." Margrethe has the same problem—and it will help if her consort likes the soil. She has had her own farm for two years.

Margrethe's name has not been linked with any individual yet, although it was noted with interest that Prince William, son of Britain's Duke of Gloucester, was invited to the "princesses ball."

Swedes like to claim their three princesses have a corner on royal beauty. The shapely

trio are Princess Margaretha, 28, who is a handsome six-footer, Princess Desiree, 24, and Princess Christina, 19. A fourth sister, Princess Birgitta, married Prince Johann Georg of Hohenzollern two years ago.

There are no known serious suitors for the unmarried Swedes at present, although in romantic discussions for some time, Margaretha was about to become engaged to Robin Douglas-Home, kinfolk of Britain's foreign secretary, the Earl of Home, in 1957, but the romance was broken off abruptly.

No reason was given although Douglas-Home was playing piano in a London bar at the time and King Gustav Adolf was reputed to feel that even for a democratic monarch there were limits.

Boycott Ceremony
 Oddly enough the British royal family, which tops the royalty league, has seemed less against intermarriage with commoners than most other royal houses. Princess Margaret, sister of Queen Elizabeth was given permission to marry the court photographer, Anthony Armstrong-Jones.

The wedding in Westminster Abbey on May 6, 1960, was as splendid as though she were marrying a crown prince. But an astonishing number of European royalty somehow found themselves unable to attend.

The Duke of Kent, cousin of Queen Elizabeth, also married a commoner, Katharine Worsley. And his sister, Princess Alexandra of Kent, will be married in April at Westminster Abbey to still another commoner, Angus Ogilvy, although his father is the Earl of Airlie and the family has a long history of association with the throne.

Princess Marina, Duchess of Kent—with a Tsar and a Kaiser among her immediate relatives—wanted her daughter Alexandra to marry a crown prince. But there were only three around at the time. Juan Carlos was a Catholic which might have caused religious complications. Constantine was too young.

And Harold, following the trend, was interested in a commoner.

Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication and for week day news is 3 p.m. the day before publication.

Wednesday:
 6 p.m. - Eagle Point High school dinner and band concert, at school.
 6:30 p.m. - Eagle Point Garden club, Eagle Point Scout Community building.
 8 p.m. - Rogue River auxiliary, National Association of Letter Carriers, home of Mrs. Charles D. Wiley, 712 West Second st.
 8 p.m. - Medford Jayceets, Mrs. Frank Grimes, 1496 Morrow road.
 8 p.m. - World I barracks and auxiliary, Girls Community club.

Thursday:
 10 a.m. - Wenonah club, of Westonka council, Degree of Pochontas, Redman hall, Apple street.
 10:30 a.m. - Westside Extension unit, Gene Page home, Central Point.
 10:30 a.m. - Butte Falls and Derby Home Extension units, home of Mrs. Harry Dalton.
 10:30 a.m. - Reese Creek Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. K. W. Shaw, Butte Falls highway.
 12 noon - Red Cross board of directors, chapter house, 60 Hawthorne ave.
 12:30 p.m. - Medford Sojourners club, Girls Community club.
 1:15 p.m. - Medford Coordinating committee of PTA, Hedrick Junior High school.
 1:30 p.m. - Medford Garden club, Jackson county court house.
 1:30 p.m. - Sams Valley Ladies club, home of Mrs. John Eckerman, Duggan rd.
 2:30 p.m. - Washington PTA.

EASY TOPPING
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Fellowship Recipient Announced

The 1962-63 Oregon Unendowed Fellowship of \$2,500 has been awarded by the American Association of University Women Educational Foundation to Dr. Pauline Newman-Gordon, assistant professor of French at Stanford university.

Council Session Set in Portland

A group of members of Military Order of the Cooties and Military Order of Lady Bugs will go to Oregon City Saturday to attend a meeting of the Council of Administration February 9-10.

Attending from Roguette circle, Medford, will be Mrs. Ben Allison, royal lady gold bug; Mrs. O. O. DeBerry, royal secretary; Mrs. R. E. Schulz, royal treasurer; Mrs. Con Rost, assistant royal lady firefly and Mrs. Ivan Lusk, Veterans' Administration Volunteer service representative for the domiciliary at White City.

Representing the local parent of the Military Order of Cooties will be Mr. Lusk, department hospital representative for the White City domiciliary.

Mr. and Mrs. Lusk and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sutherland of the two groups recently visited the domiciliary and passed out cigarettes to the veterans.

Glasstop Burners May Replace Grates

New York —(UPI)— Glasstop surface burners may some day eliminate top burner grates on gas ranges, says the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association.

A heat-resistant quartz is used to produce infrared rays burned by special ceramic burners.

The announcement was made by Mrs. James Basker, Grants Pass, state fellowships chairman for the AAUW. "This is the first such award made," Mrs. Basker explained, "and is in addition to the \$6,500 contributed by Oregon members for fellowships the past year."

Dr. Newman-Gordon is working at the Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris where she is studying the works of two poets, Tristan Corbiere and Jules Laforgue, and a novelist, Jules Renard, in relation to the theme of "smile."

Corbiere, Laforgue, and Renard lived during the years 1845-1912, a period which saw France's disastrous defeat in the Franco-Prussian war and the coming of the First World War. The life and works of these writers reflect the disappointment of their times; their wounded sensitivities are expressed in the "laughter" or "smile" in their literature. The study will explore the psychological subconscious escapes of the three authors and will be submitted for publication.

Dr. Newman-Gordon graduated from Hunter college in 1947, has a master's degree from Columbia university and a doctorate from the Sorbonne. She published a book on Marcel Proust and Existentialism in 1953 and one on Eugene Leroy in 1957. The two publications have been received favorably by leading critics in the U.S. and by wide segments of the French press.

Dr. Newman-Gordon is the 1957 recipient of the Hunter college award for outstanding achievement and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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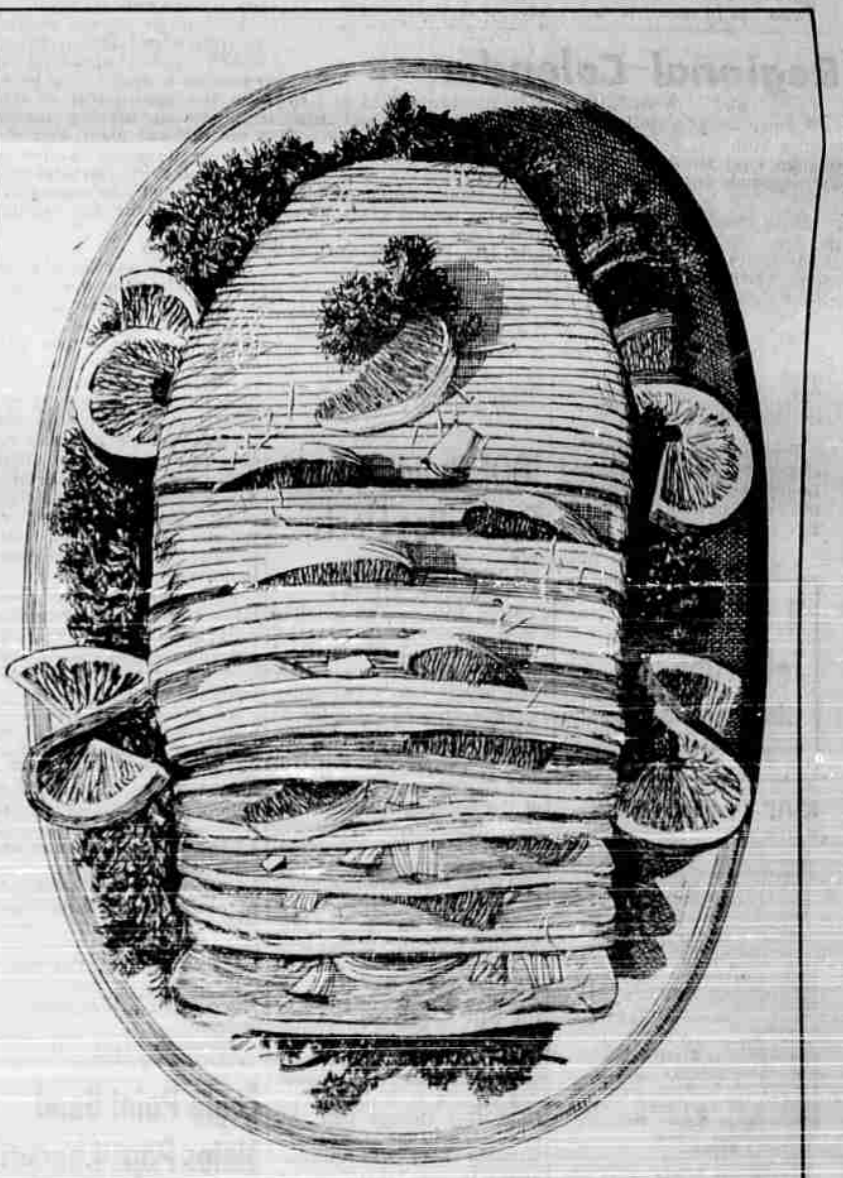
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