

QUEEN HELEN PLANS TO WED

LONDON, Feb. 12. (AP)—Bucharest society reports that Queen Helen, unable to hold the love of her handsome prince, now King Carol, plans to marry a Rumanian officer, Colonel Skoletti, were published here today.

Helen is said to have written Carol, whose friend in Paris, the red-headed, Magda Lupescu is understood to be lodged now near the royal quarters, that she will resist all his efforts to nullify the divorce she obtained from him in Albania in 1928.

While the holy synod of the Rumanian orthodox church declared that divorce null and void shortly after Carol became king last June, it has been explained that this made it only morally non-existent, since legal annul-

ment would have to come through the courts.

Such a marriage as is reported to be contemplated by Helen would be almost unheard of in European royal circles.

Helen's principal complaint against Carol has been that of infidelity. She is now ill with influenza.

New Fighting Plane Is Record Breaker

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., Feb. 12 (AP)—A naval fighting plane which observers claim attains a speed of 300 miles an hour and an altitude of 25,000 feet was secreted under armed guard today.

Completed yesterday by the Curtiss-Wright corporation, the ship was tested by William Crosswell, company pilot, at Mitchell Field. Crosswell took it off the ground in less than 400 feet, and pointed it toward the sun until it was two miles in the air.

Committees Have Plan To Remove Tax On Property

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should the tax commission make the refund now, or should the house bill providing for a refund be passed by the legislature, the intangibles tax case in which the state supreme court made its decree would remain simply a moot case and probably not be accepted in the court at Washington.

Rate Not Exorbitant
In defense of the proposal to enact a new intangibles law with an 8 per cent rate it is said that this is not as high as that in many states and no higher than the average.

In their calculations looking to elimination of the state tax on property the legislative leaders are not considering the two-mill elementary school tax, which is not considered a state tax although it is administered by the state tax commission.

Assuming that the excise and personal income taxes were not changed and the intangibles not re-enacted it is estimated that the levy on property in 1931 would be \$4,428,240. By increasing the rate of the excise tax from 5 to 8 per cent it is estimated that this would increase its return to the state from about \$700,000 to \$1,120,000, an increase of \$420,000. Estimated receipts from the income tax at the 1 to 5 per cent rate are \$1,000,000, and at the 1 to 8 per cent rate \$1,250,000, an increase of \$250,000. It is estimated that the intangibles act at 5 per cent would yield \$1,800,000, in 1931 on 1929 incomes and \$2,000,000 in 1932 on 1931 incomes. This would make a total of \$4,470,000 in new money, sufficient to wipe out the estimated 1931 property tax of \$4,428,240. Added to the approximately \$2,000,000 which the excise, intangibles and income taxes are capable of yielding at the old rates the new plan, it is said, should increase the total returns to better than \$7,000,000. This, it is believed, will satisfy the taxpayers who are organizing to resist property tax collections.

Stirs Old Enmity
Director Joe Jacobs stirred anew the old feeling of enmity with his arguments, and when the question of the McCormick site was temporarily tabled, he gave no sign of willingness either now, or at some future day, to arbitrate or settle differences in a mutually satisfactory manner.

Quite a discussion and argument was aroused by the fifth question for arbitration, that of withdrawal of the K. I. D.'s protests against water filings on Klamath river, the development of the so-called Grant or Canyon site, with the agreement that the California Oregon Power company stipulate that their filings will be subsequent to water rights for irrigation purposes. It is the contention of the power company that the waters below Keno are valuable to the community for power development, and not necessary for irrigation purposes.

Jacobs Again Objects
According to Mr. Boyle, providing a shortage of water occurs, the company will agree not to ask for release of any water required for irrigation purposes to complete the amount of water to which filings might give them right.

The California Oregon Power company has asked for filings on 1,500 second feet of water at the Grant site.

Again Director Jacobs strenuously objected to settlement of the question by withdrawing the district's protest to release, to the company's filings. It is his contention that if Copco so desired, they could construct their proposed dam and use surplus waters indefinitely without any filing on the waters.

To other members of the board, equally with J. C. Boyle, this suggestion appeared unbusinesslike in the extreme.

Discuss Canyon Site
"Supposing the district owned the McCormick site," Jacobs said. Sam Dehlinger, meaningly, "could we sell bonds and develop the power without a water filing? You know it would be impossible, and you will remember that the district has gone on record themselves as filing for 2000 second feet of water."

Along with the question of the McCormick site, the matter of the power company's proposed development of the Canyon site was laid aside with no common ground found. Both E. M. Hammond, president of the board, and S. P. Dehlinger were willing to consider modes of arbitration, but Jacobs apparently could see nothing but menace in the power interests' offers to conciliate.

Thomas Present
A. M. Thomas, former secretary of the district, although he declared he did not wish to become involved in today's arguments, presented several questions to Mr. Boyle and made a skeptical attitude throughout the meeting.

Other matters discussed at this morning's session included the water rights on Upper Klamath lake as of 1917, and the amendment of 1929 to the original contract between the United States bureau of reclamation, the Klamath Irrigation district and the California Oregon Power company.

Discuss Old Issue
Proposed arbitration of the old argument involving the district's interest in the Ankeny-Keno canal and the Leavitt tract, was considered this morning, and discussion ended with the assumption of both the district and Copco that the district holds an equity in these properties.

The question of the feasibility of developing power on the south branch canal and the Lost river diversion dam was not discussed at length, owing to the fact that the district has no jurisdiction over power rights on these locations, all such power rights are reserved for the government, according to a statement put forth by B. E. Hayden of the Klamath reclamation project.

J. C. Boyle speculated in the beginning of the morning's meeting that any agreement reached by the arbitration board must be endorsed and voted upon by water users of the district. No legal counsel was present at today's meeting.

CONTROL OF BIRTHS IS URGED
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room for expansion and colonization and the result is war. The practice of birth control enables a country to limit its population to the size indicated by its natural resources and the best health and welfare of its citizens.

He held birth control would encourage earlier marriages by dissipating the fear of having children before they can be provided for properly.

Points Out Menace
"The remedy for evil is not to be found in denying access to knowledge," Potter said.

Citing the world's population increase from 700,000,000 at the beginning of the nineteenth century to 1,700,000,000 now, Prof. Perry Pratt Fairchild, of New York university, said "the record of the past 100 years cannot possibly be projected very

COPCO AND K. I. D. ARE IN SESSION

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far into the future," without over populating the world. "This measure will do much to prevent wars in the future and open the way to international peace," he said, "than any that could be developed."

LENGTHS OF TRAINS LIMITED
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fore the committee on railroads and utilities and brought to the capital a formidable lobby of railroad attorneys and brotherhood representatives.

Legislature May Dispense With Its Morning Sessions
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with a movement to get the day set apart throughout the United States.

The basic sciences bill, which is causing much controversy in the legislature between the medical doctors and the drugless healing profession, was set as a special order of business in the senate for 11 o'clock next Monday.

Another highly controversial measure, the bill to create a state department of agriculture, was today withdrawn from the ways and means committee and referred to the committee on agriculture in the senate for amendment. It will then again be turned over to the ways and means committee.

Music was the main topic of discussion in the senate. An extended debate resulted in defeat for senate bill 101, introduced by Senators Fisher, Hall, Burke and Woodward and Representatives Kenney, McAllister, Anderson and Norton, authorizing incorporation of cities and towns to levy a 2-cent tax for the maintenance of lands. The bill was the first killed in the senate at this session other than by indefinite postponement. The vote was 14 to 15.

CASH, HEREFTER
LONDON, HEREFTER—When a shoe salesman was summoned at Chelmsford for non-payment of taxes, he left the following sign on his door to let his customers know that he'd not accept any more charge accounts: "I will not tick, my springs have rusted; I've ticked so much, I'm nearly busted." It should be explained that the word "tick" in England means "credit."

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VANDERBILT SAYS HE WAS MISQUOTED

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was hurt. Mussolini placed his hand on my knee and said 'never look back, Vanderbilt, always look ahead in life.'

Butler heard the story in a confidential meeting, Vanderbilt said.

"If I had been called to the stand I should have been prepared with 40 affidavits from persons bearing me out in my contention that General Butler misquoted me. I should have been forced to tell what the other two speakers, including General Butler, said in November."

"One overt act on the part of General Butler will result in my filing a legal action that will bring all these facts to light. I will not sue to collect monetary damages. The suit will be for the purpose of disclosing the manifest angles arising out of the Mussolini incident, and the other issues."

Have You Heard These?

A Would-be Lawyer (as he noticed a negro woman struck by a street car): "Come with me; you can get damages for this."
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