

## RUMOR FAMOUS ADVENTURER IS TO HALT ARABS

England Hears Reports That Lawrence of Arabia Has Mission.

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LONDON, Aug. 30.—The strict secrecy surrounding the present whereabouts of Lawrence of Arabia led to the belief in certain quarters today that the once "uncrowned king of the Arabs" has been dispatched on a state mission to Palestine to pacify the tribesmen who have risen against the Jews of the Holy Land.

This amazing character, known variously as Lawrence of Arabia, Colonel T. E. Lawrence of Aircraftman Shaw, a soldier, scholar, explorer, adventurer, maker of kings, secret military agent and leader of revolutions, had spent recent months puttering around the Cattewater airbase, near Plymouth.

He has refused all the honors which the British government has attempted to heap upon him. He refused a knighthood and the highest decorations.

Angry at British

He has refused various commissions and he preferred to remain a private in the British air force to the higher colony from which he resigned. It was said he was angry at the British government for the way in which his Arabs had been treated after the World War.

Of late, it was reported, before he disappeared from the airbase, his movements had been secret. It was understood that he left Plymouth for an unknown destination. Efforts to get information about Lawrence of Arabia from government officials today proved futile.

It was hinted that when the trouble broke out in Palestine with bands of Arabs swooping upon the Jews, pillaging, murdering, burning, robbing, and with other hordes of Arabs threatening to invade Palestine from Trans-Jordania, Syria and other Arabic countries, the British government immediately recalled it had a man in its aircraft service who might be able to solve the whole riddle. Lawrence of Arabia probably was immediately thought of as the one man who could pacify the fury of the Arabs.

Honored by Arabs

Lawrence has lived among Arabs for years. He made kings and unmade others. He organized the forces of the King of Hejaz, who had revolted against the Sultan and seized Mecca. The story of how this Englishman, dressed in the flowing robes of an Arab, led the Arabs from one military success to another reads pretty much like the history of Napoleon during his first Italian campaign.

The Arabs heaped great honors upon him. They made him a prince and an emir. But Lawrence finally came back to England and became a private in the air force. What was back of all that probably never will be known.

All that is known for the present

BUYS BRIDE: IN JAIL

Detroit Man Gives Mules for Girl in Kentucky.

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Aug. 30.—Too ardent wooing by Edward Green, 42, Detroit, furniture dealer, who gave Henry Gibbs of Hopkinsville, Ky., four mules and a log chain for the hand of his 13-year-old daughter, Louise, has resulted in his being jailed here. Green also is said to have promised Gibbs two wagons and two sets of harness in this strange transaction. Green's child-wife left him and threatened marriage annulment. He was arrested when he tried to get the girl-bride to return to him.

is that the British government's prestige in the Near East is in danger and that Lawrence of Arabia is not at his post at the airbase. Maybe the two incidents can be connected.

MOVE NEXT TO HOOVER NOW, LUDLOW'S ADVICE

Congressman Tells Realtors Capitol Property Cheap.

If you crave being a neighbor of Herbert Hoover, "now is the time to buy," Congressman Louis Ludlow told members of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board at their luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce Thursday.

"In the national capital, the real estate market is in the worst state of doldrums I've ever witnessed," Ludlow declared. "Good property within a few squares of the White House can not be sold at the present time except at a sacrifice. Experienced real estate men explain the condition is due to the 'stock craze,' and that investors are putting all their money in stocks."

Ludlow urged realtors to promote Indianapolis' aviation interests and touched on the tariff and farm relief.

POSTAGE STAMPS OF VATICAN SOLD SWIFTLY

Recent Issue Meets Great Success With All Collectors.

By United Press

VATICAN CITY, Aug. 30.—The recent issue of Vatican postage stamps, comprising fifteen different values, has had one of the greatest successes with the general and stamp-collecting public of any modern philatelic issue.

The total value of the issue was for the sum of fifty-six million lire and it is estimated that after less than a fortnight some thirty-five millions lire worth have been purchased. It is expected that the entire issue will be sold out by the end of the year, if not earlier.

The second issue, it is understood, will contain a few variations on the original but before this is issued there likely is to be a small reprint of the first.

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