

FRANCO BACKS BOY FOR KING

Favors Restoration Under
8-Year-Old Son of
Heir Apparent.

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The restoration of the Spanish monarchy under Juanito, 8-year-old son of the heir apparent, the Count of Barcelona, and a regency council on which the Caudillo himself would serve, has been proposed by Francisco Franco, I have been informed by a reliable authority.

This move, under which the Spanish royal family would be requested to leave Switzerland immediately, for Spain, is interpreted as having been made by Franco for the purpose of thwarting the rising Spanish republican activity.

However, Spanish court circles in Lausanne have received the Franco suggestion with extreme coolness, according to your correspondent's informant. In fact, the queen mother, Victoria Eugenia, is said to have planned, during her present visit to England, to explain to Prime Minister Churchill that Don Juan, the Count of Barcelona, while willing to assume the throne himself would not encourage the restoration of the monarchy in favor of his son.

Franco is quoted as being opposed to direct restoration in favor of Barcelona because the private life of the pretender "leaves much to be desired."

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SOUTHERN INDIANA FOREST FIRES GAIN

Field and forest fires in southern Indiana have ravaged more than 4000 acres of ground and still are spreading, T. E. Shaw, state forester, disclosed yesterday.

The forester said four major fires have been extinguished, one still is burning, and others are cropping up with alarming rapidity. Forestry department heads also reported that the fire danger, based on relative weather conditions, is one of the highest in the history of the department.

A fire near Eminence, in Morgan county, today had spread over 700 acres and still was burning. Volunteer firemen have been fighting the blaze since its outbreak early yesterday.

Two fires which started Monday, 400 acres near Laurel in Franklin county and 760 acres near Paoli in Orange county, were reported out yesterday. Fires which had burned for more than 24 hours over 2000 acres near Cloverdale, in Putnam county, and 300 acres near Oakland City in Gibson county, were extinguished early yesterday.

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