HEIRESS SUGGESTS MAMA GET A JOB

Heiress Gloria Vanderbilt Stokowski (top), 22-year-old wife of 64-year-old conductor Leopold Stokowski, thinks her widowed mother, Mrs. Gloria Morgan Vanderbilt (bottom), can get a job instead of depending on Gloria's $4,000,000 fortune. Mrs. Stokowski had been paying her mother a $21,000-a-year allowance, but discontinued it, saying "she can work as she has done in the past." The money, she said, now goes to a foundation she established for needy and blind children.

Highlights of the News

Royal Visitors

The King and Queen and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret will visit South Africa early next year, it was disclosed in London.

Russia's Five-Year Plan

Russia has laid down a five-year program for the development of atomic energy, it was revealed by Sergei Vavilov, president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences.

Vavilov said the Government was initiating extraordinary measures to aid scientists in all fields, including atomic research, to attain directives laid down by Generalissimo Stalin to equal and exceed all scientific progress abroad.

British Mission to India

Prime Minister Attlee offered India her full independence, either inside or outside the British Commonwealth.

Attlee told the House of Commons that a British ministerial mission would go to India with a free hand, and if India wanted to cut loose from the Empire by free vote, Britain would help her.

Three members of the ministerial delegation left on March 19 by 'plane for India. They are Sir Stafford Cripps, president of the Board of Trade; F. W. Pethick-Lawrence, State Secretary for India, and A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty.

New Post for Canadian Banker?

A despatch from the International Monetary Conference at Savannah, Ga., says it is authoritatively reported that Lewis W. Douglas, New York financier, is slated for the presidency of the World Bank, and that Graham Towers, Governor of the Bank of Canada is slated to become managing director of the World Currency Fund.

The despatch adds that it is unlikely the appointments will be made at the present meeting.

At Ottawa, a finance official stated the post would be a full-time job and if Mr. Towers accepted it he would retire as head of the Bank of Canada. He was named Governor when the bank was established in 1935.

More Wheat In Australia

—The latest official estimate of the Australian wheat crop is 134,800,000 bushels, compared with a crop of 52 million bushels last year.

Thirty million bushels will be made available as stock feed, and wheat will be rationed for another year for dairy cattle, pigs and poultry. A large quantity will be milled for export.

Good-Bye to Governor-General

A warmer public tribute than had ever before been paid to a retiring Governor-General in Canada marked the departure last week of the Earl of Athlone and Princess Alice after nearly six years' service to this country.

Both houses of Parliament voted an address of "grateful appreciation of the helpful cooperation in the tasks of government." Large crowds cheered the Earl and Princess when they drove to the National War Memorial to lay a wreath and say farewell.

Massey To Retire

Hon. Vincent Massey who has served as High Commissioner for Canada in London for the past ten years will retire in May according to an announcemen made in Ottawa last week by the Prime Minister, Mr. MacKenzie King.

TRAVELING'S TOUGH IN SOVIET-OCCUPIED MANCHURIA

Although it requires 24 to 40 hours in sub-zero weather to make the 120-mile railroad trip from Chinchow to Mukden, in Soviet-occupied territory, thousands of Chinese jam into—and onto—freight cars for the journey. Russian occupation policies in general have become a matter of international concern as a result of adverse reports by the few foreign correspondents who have been admitted to the area.

Friendship Treaty

British Foreign Secretary Bevin emphasized that Britain wanted friendship "for all time" with the Soviet Union and that his offer of a fifty-year friendship treaty was "seriously proposed and seriously meant." He said he would try to obtain such a treaty "notwithstanding all the disappointments."

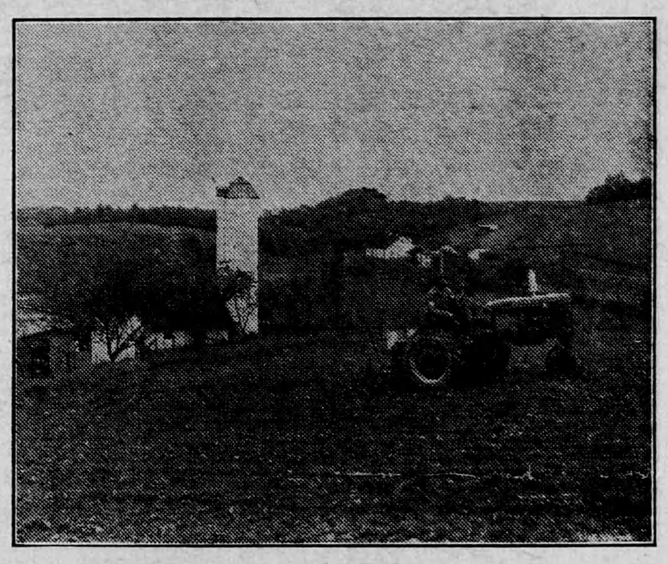
Speech From Throne

Canada is to retain certain wartime controls and restrictions for an indefinite period "to prevent inflation and to safeguard the public welfare," it was stated in the Speech from the Throne, delivered by His Excellency, the Governor-General, the Earl of Athlone, at the formal opening of the second session of Canada's 20th Parliament.

Officiating at the opening of Parliament was one of His Excellency's last official acts before leaving Ottawa with the Princess Alice. His successor, Viscount Alexander, is expected to arrive some time in April.

Food was the most pressing world problem requiring immediate action, it was pointed out, and Canada intended to do its utmost in this regard for "unless the need is met, grave disorders, endangering peace itself, must be anticipated."

SPRINGTIME ON THE FARM

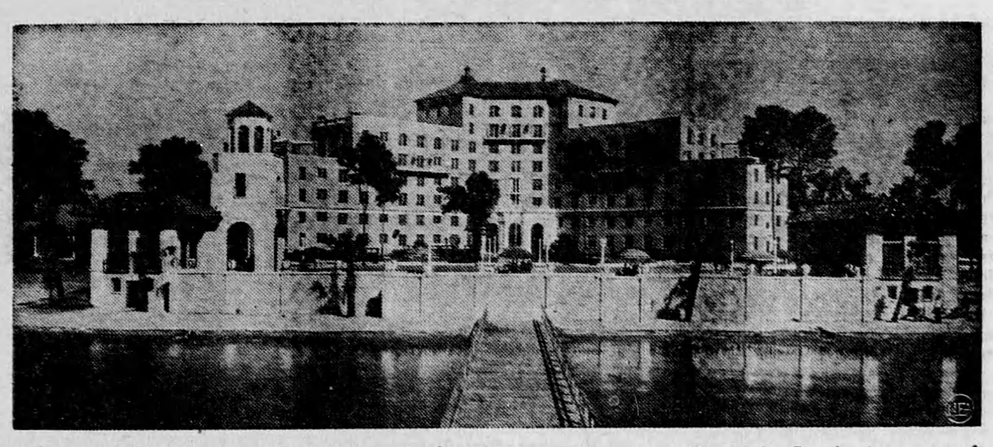


In a new programme announced last week by Prime Minister King, Canada has undertaken to maintain food shipments to starving people throughout the world at a maximum during the next four years. Soon, as pictured above, the Canadian farmer will begin to fulfill that promise.

SAILING ON SAND

This sportsman is scudding along the sands at Daytona Beach, Fla., in newest thrill sport of the winter season. Handling the flimsy craft under a heavy spread of sails requires real skill, he says.

SITE OF WORLD MONETARY CONFERENCE

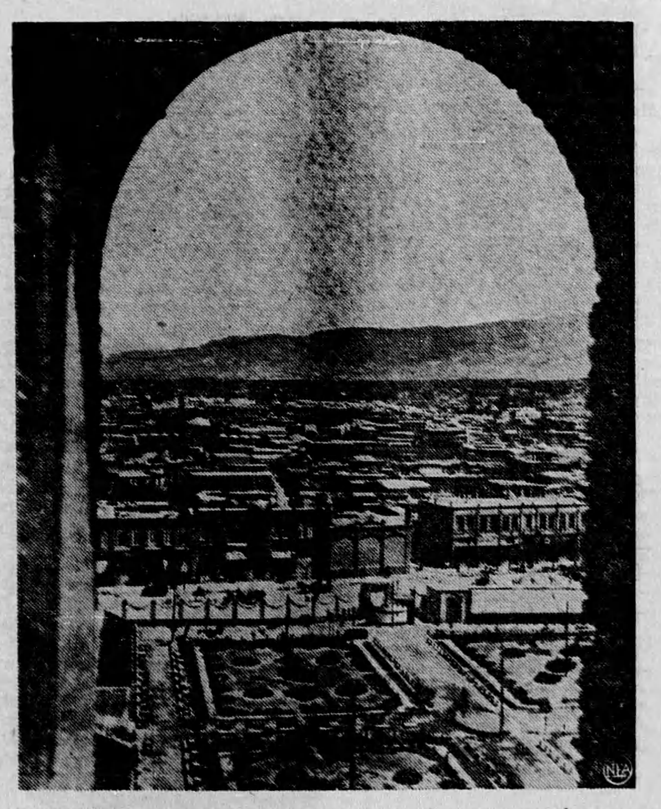


The General Oglethorpe Hotel, center of a $2,000,000 resort estate at Savannah, Ga., is the scene of the worldwide monetary conference which has drawn delegates from 38 nations.

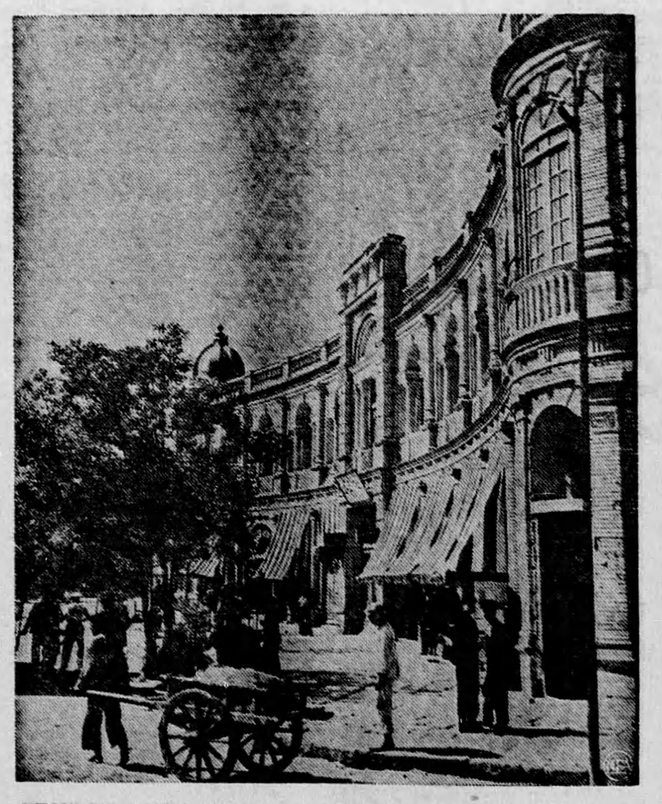
TO RULE GERMANS?

Gen. Vassily D. Sokolovsky, above, may succeed Marshal Georgi K. Zhukov as commander of the Russian occupation zone in Germany.

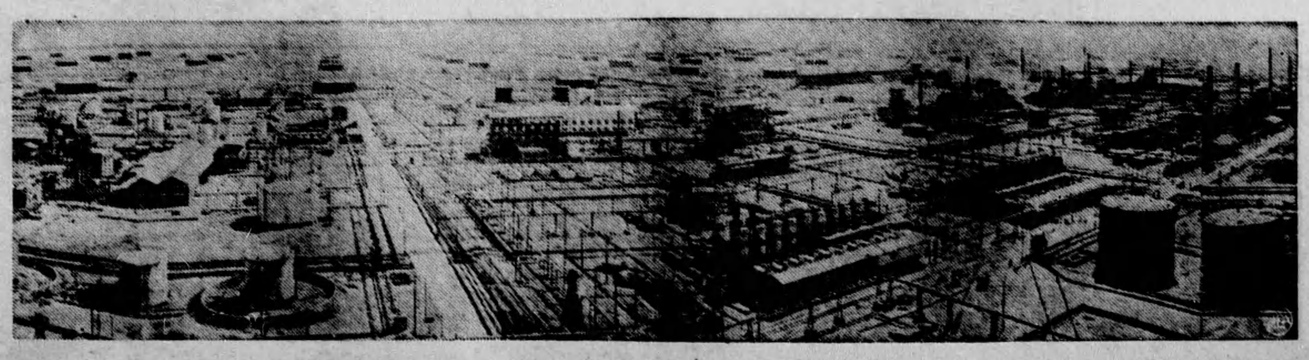
IRAN, WHERE RED MOVES CAST SHADOW OF CONFLICT



TABRIZ, pictured through an arch of its famous tower fortress, built by Shah Haroun-el-Raschid, is the capital of Azerbaijan province in northern Iran. Iran complained to United Nations that revolt which set up a separatist government there was Russian-inspired and supported.



TEHRAN, capital of Iran, was scene of recent violent demonstrations by left-wing Tudeh party which prevented Parliament from meeting to extend its term. Moscow is believed maneuvering for a new government in Tehran which would take Iran into Russia's growing family of "friendly" neighbors.



Huge oil refinery of Anglo-Iranian Oil Company at Abadan on the Persian Gulf symbolizes one of the most delicate problems of Russia and western powers in Iran. Britain, with monopoly of southern oil fields, depended for many years for Iranian oil to operate her navy. USSR's insistent, but vain, pressure for concessions in the north created wartime crises among the Big Three.