

PEOPLE WHO MAKE THE NEWS

In any age which poses great problems, among the finest human virtues are humour, adventure and romance. For a nation confronted daily by material worries, these virtues leavened the week's news. As November the twentieth neared, world interest in the Royal Romance quickened. These special pre-wedding photographs were taken at Buckingham Palace on the Royal Family's return from Scotland.

Seventeen year old Princess Margaret will be her sister's principal bridesmaid. Already, details of the wedding dress are sought by international fashion designers. Orders for a similar gown will stimulate British designs.

The Abbey wedding will focus attention on the girl, who will be Queen, and her Consort.

In Holland, too, a nation shared the happiness of its Royal Family. At Utrecht Cathedral, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, attends the christening of her youngest grandchild - Princess Marijke. Representatives of all the Scandinavian Countries attended the ceremony.

Mr. Churchill's daughter, Mary, deputised for her father, who is a God-father of the Princess.

During the Dutch Queen's convalescence after a long illness, Princess Juliana acts as Regent. The infant Princess is the fourth daughter of Prince Bernard and Princess Juliana. From romance to adventure is not a very long step. Though much of the pioneers' glamour is eclipsed by fast moving events in a scientific age, its spirit of courage still lives.

It was the Enterprise of Britain's early pioneers that helped to found the British Commonwealth. And still, those young countries hold a deep attraction for Britons today. Since the war's end, six thousand people have gone to Australia to begin a new life. At Tilbury, the Ormonde is taking another thousand emigrants, two hundred and fifty of whom are children. If you ask these people why they want to try their luck in another land, this is what they will tell you.

Their spirit in an uncertain world will help to bring them success in a new life. Meanwhile, human ingenuity is meeting domestic difficulties in other countries. The bottom of Bremen Harbour in Germany is littered with many

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tons of coal which have fallen off during loading. After twenty years, the water is now being dredged. Huge pumps lift the mud from the bottom and pipe lines carry it to a waste site in the town. There, Bremen citizens gather the coal out of the mud.

One persons can reclaim nearly three hundredweights of coal daily. Those near the front have a better chance - but even at the back the search is still fruitful.

Although coal production in the Ruhr is improving, Germany again faces a bleak, fuel-less winter. This is the people's way of overcoming another hardship. But the week's news also brought a laugh. To London's Olympia, came Eric Barker and the Merry-Go-Round Gang for their two hundredth Radio Performance. The Weekly Hero of twelve million listeners, Eric Barker turns out to be a screen heart-throb as well.