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Princess missing

By H. Badger
Herald Correspondent

XYGLPH – Princess Sabrina mysteriously disappeared from the Palace two weeks ago and has not been seen nor heard from since, according to a high-ranking Palace official. The same official went on to say that King John the Good, Princess Sabrina's father, was distraught and dismayed that his daughter has not yet sent word of her whereabouts.

At a press conference held last



no secret within these (Palace) walls" that Princess is "either playing a very cruel game, or she has been taken against her will by enemies of this Court, and perhaps is being held for ransom."

THE KING REMAINS, as yet, unseen and without comment. Unconfirmed reports indicate that several advisors, as well as the Royal Scrivener, have been summoned to His chambers, supporting rumors that a Royal Proclamation will soon be issued.

Despite attempts by Palace offi-

night in the Palace Great Hall, the King's advisor and confidant, Chamberlain Mikhail, remained elusive and guarded when asked about the Princess.

The Princess is "known to be vacationing in the north country and will send word to His Majesty when she is due back," said Mikhail. "We never know precisely where any member of the Royal Family is ALL the time," Mikhail continued, "and this faithful servant does not intend to follow them (the Royal Family)



PRINCESS SABRINA, as seen in the royal entourage only one week prior to her mysterious disappearance from the Palace. As yet, there is no official explanation concerning the whereabouts of the beloved Princess (WP woodcut by D. Zshisel)

about the land merely to satisfy the curiosity of those who would rather fuel false rumors than properly serve the Kingdom."

Her Highness's maid-in-waiting, Maid Ovkoton, was later inter-

viewed at the Palace east wall. She stated, "It is so unlike her (Princess Sabrina) to leave for an extended journey without taking myself and the other servants to do her bidding." The Maid went on to say "it is

Despite attempts by Palace officials to quiet the incident, news of the Princess's disappearance has spread throughout the Kingdom. Already, peasants as far south as Sibiu and north to Cluj fear that the Princess will not be heard from again.

In this, the second year as Commoner's Representative, Princess Sabrina has dramatically gained popularity among all castes in all sections of the Kingdom. A recent poll conducted by the independent research firm, Boris and Borris, ranks the Princess second only to the King himself in the category of Most Beloved and Royal Persons.

AS THE YEARLY HARVEST time approaches, peasants fear that, without the Princess, they will have little Royal sympathy when taxation is determined. It is likely that, in the present situation, an uprising may occur.

Because King John is a good king and rules the Wallachian territories with strength and care, He will be most unsettled with the current state of affairs. Surely there will be word of some official decision pertaining to these recent events.

There is certainly more, as con-

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Starbury under siege

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Arroya surrenders

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CENTRAL STEPPES, ARROYA - Das the Conquerer has declared himself ruler of Arroya, according to an ARY report earlier today. The report says that a small commando team of mercenaries infiltrated the Temple of Erse, after ravaging Arroya and its creatures, sometime last week. The revolutionary insurgents, as yet unnamed, captured and slew the demonlord, Xyphus, in the Temple, and claimed the continent in the name of Das.

Thus far, there has been no word as to how the infamous Xyphus lost hold of the vast Arroyan underground, where, according to earlier reports, his strength remained unchallenged. Despite many previous attempts this decade to unseat the evil demonlord and his minions, Xyphus maintained a seemingly magical control of the land and its creatures, con-

sistently thwarting any intruders.

IN A STATEMENT given after the siege, Das said that the continent will now "be governed with swift justice and surety of purpose." Das went on to say that "The Central Steppes are as payment to those most helpful in ousting the evil Xyphus."

Das has issued a proclamation, as sovereign ruler of Arroya, banishing all descendants of the goblin races Cotico, Malakee, Maripo, Sedanto, Mazanti, and Azulus. "Order demands that all such creatures be sent forth or destroyed," said the new ruler. "Only then can meet and right laws be established in such hideous a land as this has become."

Once order has been restored in Arroya, Das will travel further to seek "other lands reigned with disorder and abandon," and continue his quest for a peaceful and just world.

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SOCIETY OF SOVEREIGN
SCRIBNERS

Reign of terror threatens neighboring kingdom

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With this, the second installment in a four part investigative report, the Herald takes a look at the neighboring kingdom of Starbury.

ONCE A FLOURISHING and magnificent kingdom, Starbury is now under the evil, debilitating rule of the black-hearted Voar. Voar began his terror-stricken reign after an abrupt and violent takeover.

First rallying his forces in the peaceful woodlands where the peace-loving Wizard Munjistan was defeated, Voar and his cohorts plundered all obstacles in a path leading to the castle, where lay the former seat of power.

Although never proven, it is believed that Voar ordered and, perhaps, performed the execution of his wife, Queen Estella, who supposedly was sympathetic towards the people of Starbury. In his fit of rage upon discovering his betrothed feeding the child of a starving peasant, Voar ordered Estella executed before a public gathering.

THE QUEEN DIED a most horri-

which I feel now, but tenfold, upon thy death. A dieing woman's pox on thine foul soul!"

There are no official communications between the governments of Wallachia and Starbury since Voar took control. However, word arrives sporadically from sources within Starbury describing a terrorized and depressed populace.

Says one report, "It is as if the sun has forever fled the heavens, so dark are the thoughts of a future for this kingdom."

IN AN UNPRECEDENTED monarchical scourge, Voar has reportedly murdered or imprisoned the very allies responsible for his takeover. This leaves Voar with no support from others and no enforcers to rule the land. Yet he maintains a firm grip on the kingdom with an almost omniscient quality.

Such information strengthens the belief that Starbury is repressed by magic and not merely under the rule of a cruel king. No single man, though he be of royal blood, could maintain the power which Voar now possesses, not with an entire people against him.

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it, indeed, such power is had over the kingdom and in the hands of

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WEATHER



Gloomy today and a little cooler with a 60 percent chance of showers and possible thunderstorms

near dawn. High near 55; overnight low in the low 40s. South to southwesterly winds 20 to 25 m.p.h. Gloomy and cooler still tomorrow with a chance of rain in the afternoon; high in the upper to mid 40s.

Sunrise, 5:02 a.m.; sunset 6:49 p.m.; moonrise, 2 a.m.

Morning stars: Juniper, Saturn, Evening stars: Venus, Mars.

For the 24-hour period ending at midnight yesterday: average temperature, 57; normal average 59. Temperature departures from normal: +11 since last month, +92 for the year.

Precipitation 1 inch. Total for the month, 3 inches (normal for this month, 2 inches). Total for the year, 8 inches. Total snowfall for the year, 2 inches.



Sunny ○
Partly cloudy ◐
Gloomy ●
Snow ■
Rain ▨

Cold front ▲—▲
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Forecast based on Wisemen and Sorcerers of Wallachia report.

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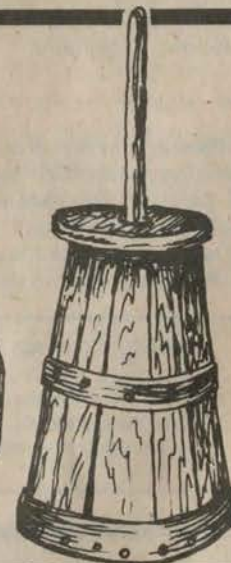
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