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YOUNG KING MICHAEL of Romania, who got the heave-ho from the Communists, will arrive soon in the U. S. to see President Truman in an effort to convince this government to officially recognize the Rumanian National Committee, which has already been organized in this country.

The ex-king furthermore will try to have the U. S. approve the naming of a Rumanian military mission to Gen. Eisenhower.

Michael will also have another serious problem on

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his hands—that of getting to his side the elements who detached themselves from the committee to start a group of their own.

The Iron Guard Machine of the rebel group is headed by Nicolae Malaxa, who is a sort of political chameleon. He supported and sponsored in Romania first the Nazis, then the Communists. Now, of course, Mr. Malaxa is strictly for democracy.

Although this column (as well as others) has exposed Malaxa, he continues to hold great influence, and operates effectively behind the scenes between Washington and New York.

He is responsible for having gotten away from King Michael's camp Gen. Artadescu, the last President of the Council in Romania, who dared defy Dictator Ana Pauker, whom he publicly called a "ramp."

Malaxa has succeeded in getting Gregory Grafencu, former Foreign Minister of Romania, away from King Michael and into his fold.

So now young King Michael faces this problem: He either shakes hands with Malaxa or fights him into the open.

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