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WHEN a Harrow schoolboy falls in love with a girl up at Cambridge, three years his senior, it is just a romantic story. But when the schoolboy is a king and the girl is a princess it is news.

The schoolboy was King Hussein of Jordan, now 18 and at Sandhurst. The girl was Princess Dunya Abdul Hameed, 21. Tomorrow she arrives at the Dorchester.

A marriage is being arranged. The Prime Minister of Jordan is to go to Cairo formally to ask for the princess's hand from her father, the wealthy Sherif Abdul Hameed.

THE KING was first charmed with the princess three years ago when he was only 15. They met in her father's house in Cairo. The king was at school there. The princess was on holiday from Cambridge.

Last year they were both in England—he at Harrow, she finishing her course at the university. They met several times. And, since kings and princesses are seldom unwatched, the news was carried to the king's mother, Queen Zein.

The ambassador in London was called home to report. Then the queen decided to come and see for herself. Her son told her he was determined to marry the princess.

His mother blessed the couple and invited the girl to holiday with her and the king.

So the course of true love has run smooth, and after Hussein's coronation in May they will be

married. Whatever else happens, the king and the princess should have happy memories of Harrow and Cambridge.

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Covering Passing
Out at Sandhurst
today.

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A Princess Delayed

DELAYED by bad weather in the Channel is lovely twenty-one-year-old Princess Dunya Abdul Hameed, who was due to arrive in London yesterday with her uncle for a visit of several weeks.

Princess Hameed, until recently a Cambridge undergraduate, is reported to be engaged to eighteen-year-old King Hussein of Jordan who is now at Sandhurst. Her visit is described as purely a private one by the Jordan Embassy, but close friends say she will do some shopping in London for her wedding to King Hussein which will probably take place after his Coronation on May 2.

The Princess and the King met several times last year when she was at Cambridge and King Hussein was a Harrow schoolboy. They met again at a party given by the King's mother, Queen Zeine, at Lausanne a month ago.

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