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THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND HAS ENDORSED PRIME MINISTER  
BALDWIN OF BRITAIN IN HIS CABINET'S OPPOSITION TO THE  
KING'S PROPOSED MARRIAGE TO MRS. SIMPSON.

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ADD DAY LEAD KING LONDON XXX BETWEEN THEM."

PRESSURE NO LESS STRONG IS BEING EXERTED ON THE OTHER  
SIDE. "GIVE THE KING TIME" IS THE OFT-REPEATED PLEA.

WITH TIME IT IS BELIEVED THE KING IS MORE LIKELY TO  
CHANGE HIS MIND ABOUT MARRIAGE TO MRS. SIMPSON. IN ANY EVENT, THE  
AMERICAN-BORN DIVORCEE CANNOT UNDER ENGLISH LAW MARRY ANYBODY  
UNTIL HER DIVORCE DECREE IS MADE ABSOLUTE. THAT IN THE NORMAL  
COURSE OF EVENTS WILL NOT BE UNTIL APRIL.

THE DAILY HERALD, LABOR, PUTS THE ISSUE THIS WAY:

"THERE ARE TWO QUESTIONS AND TWO ALONE WHICH HAVE TO BE  
PONDERED AND ANSWERED. IS A MARRIAGE WHICH WOULD CAUSE  
GREAT PAIN TO VAST NUMBERS OF PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE COMMON-  
WEALTH AND WOULD SET AN EXAMPLE CERTAIN TO HAVE PUBLIC CONSEQ-  
UENCES A PURELY PRIVATE MATTER OR IS IT A PUBLIC MATTER ON WHICH THE  
CABINET, SO LONG AS IT RETAINS THE CONFIDENCE OF PARLIAMENT,  
MAY LEGITIMATELY ADVISE THE KING?

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