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## SHIPPING INFORMATION

Palma-Marseilles-Genoa-Port Said arrives and leaves Palma:  
January 30, S. S. LLANDOVERY CASTLE. February 27, S. S. LLANDAFF CASTLE.

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## LEAGUE CONSIDERS SAAR COUNCIL DECISION SOON

### SAAR UNDIVIDED

GENEVA, Wednesday

Sir John Simon will return to Geneva during the end of the week to participate in the deliberations of the Council of the League of Nations with regard to the final settlement of arrangements for the return of the Saar to Germany.

Sir John has already made known his desire that the necessary arrangements shall be completed within the shortest possible time. The Saar Committee of the League, which is headed by Baron Aloisi, has suggested that a minimum time limit should be fixed to allow for administrative transfers. The period suggested is one month.

Some time ago both the French and German governments gave assurances that whatever the result of the vote might be, minorities should not and would not be subjected to reprisals or discrimination.

### Council Meets

The League Council met in secret session yesterday in order to hear officially the results of the plebiscite, and to begin preparations for the momentous meeting at which the decision for the form of the Saar's return to the Reich is to take place. That this meeting will be convened as soon as Thursday is the opinion expressed in various well-informed quarters.

It is also maintained that the opinion is already formulated among members of the Council that the Saar must be returned to Germany undivided. This opinion, it is stated, is also supported by the Saar committee of three and is

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## FRENCH SPEECH CRITICISM IN REICH PRESS

BERLIN, Wednesday

The statement made yesterday by M. Flandin, the French Premier, concerning the significance of the Saar vote, is being featured in late editions of the Berlin press generally, and is being featured as a reply to the declaration made by Herr Hitler earlier in the day.

While the French Premier's frank reference to the necessity of preparing the way for the return of the Saar to Germany is received with general satisfaction, the *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* differs and remains a carping critic.

That paper states, «His various thinly veiled reproaches, his repeated underlining of the alleged important role played by the League of Nations, as well as his failure to mention Germany's claim for practical equality contrast markedly with Hitler's clear and concise formulation of the German standpoint, thus proving there is still a distinct divergence between the French and the German views.»

Much interest is aroused, however, by M. Flandin's reference to the «delicate question» of the possible exodus of Saarlanders who supported the *status quo*, and his insistence that it is a matter for the League of Nations to take care of these would-be emigrants and protect them from possible reprisals.

This, as well as the fact that the French Premier, while stressing that France will not close its frontiers to eventual fugitives, also expressed the hope that Germany would find a way to prevent mass emigration, is taken in Berlin as an indication that the French government by no means enjoy the prospect of having to extend hospitality to «a few thousand Saar Marxists.»

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## REJOICING OVER SAAR GERMANY HAILS REUNION

### PROCESSION IN BERLIN

BERLIN, Wednesday

The German victory in the Saar plebiscite was celebrated throughout the Reich yesterday.

Flags were flying and buildings were bedecked with bunting within half an hour of the announcement of the plebiscite result, in accordance with the express desire of Herr Goebbels, minister of propaganda and public enlightenment. Church bells were set pealing at noon, ceremonies in celebration of the victory were arranged in all schools and universities, and huge torchlight processions were organized for the evening.

The celebrations in Berlin centered in the Koenigsplatz, the vast square in front of the Reichstag building. The square was insufficient to contain the masses of excited, cheering Berliners who converged on it from all parts of the city, and the overflow reached several hundred yards into the neighbouring streets.

Reichsminister Goebbels appeared on the steps of the Reichstag, sharply outlined in the vivid light of powerful arc lamps. He addressed the crowd, expressing sentiments of gratitude and joy, which he declared pervaded the soul of the German nation at the proof of the unanimous desire of the Saarlanders to occupy their rightful place in the Fatherland once more after 15 years' separation.

### «Real Peace»

«Now that the unnatural gap in Germany's western frontier has been closed,» said Herr Goebbels, «the time has come for the brotherhood of nations to establish a real peace—not a peace imposed by force of arms, but one reached in a spirit of honour and mutual self-respect.»

Cheers were given for Hitler, the Saar and united Germany. The crowd then formed itself into a torchlight procession, headed by the bands of the storm troops, which afforded a fantastic sight as it slowly wound its way like a huge serpent through the snow-covered streets of the capital, the snow reflecting the ruddy glare of the torches.

The city authorities announced earlier in the day that Berlin is to have a permanent reminder of January 13 by the renaming of the Stresemannstrasse, which is to become the Saarlandstrasse. This important thoroughfare connects with the two termini from which trains leave for the Saar, and the press explains that this fact is responsible for its selection.

## GENERAL BATET PRIVATE VISIT TO PALMA

Don Domingo Batet, general commanding the Fourth Division of the Spanish army, is on a visit to Palma, and is staying at the Grand Hotel.

General Batet was met on his arrival from Barcelona by Colonel Villamide, acting military commander of the Balearics, and his adjutant Lieutenant Arnica, Major Esquivias, Major Torres, adjutant of General Franco Bahamonde, the absent military commander, Major Iglesias, acting chief of staff, Señor Roca, director of the Palma branch of the Bank of Spain, Don Juan Giménez, commissary of police and Lieutenant Pujolá of the *Guardia de Seguridad* were also present to welcome the distinguished visitor.

The Fourth Division, which General Batet commands, consists of the army units stationed in Catalonia, and its headquarters are in Barcelona, the capital of that region. The general himself is a Catalan, and the fact has not been forgotten by the many writers who have pointed out the significance of his handling of the revolt of October 6.

When Don Luis Companys, then president of the Generalidad of Catalonia, proclaimed the Catalan State in the Federal Republic of Spain in rebellion against the Madrid government, his first act was to call upon General Batet to place himself and his forces at the disposal of the rebel government. The general asked for time to consider his reply, and used the interval to make his dispositions for the struggle which he knew was ahead.

He directed the operations which included the siege and bombardment of the Generalidad building, where Señor Companys and his councillors were in session, and

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## FRENCH VISIT TO LONDON

### MM. FLANDIN AND LAVAL

### DATE SET FOR TALKS

LONDON, Wednesday

MM. Pierre Etienne Flandin and Pierre Laval, Premier and Foreign Minister respectively of France, are to visit London on Thursday, January 31 and following days.

Conversations between the French ministers and members of the British cabinet will take place on Friday and Saturday, February 1 and 2. The dates of the visit were arranged yesterday.

Sir John Simon originally extended the British government's invitation to MM. Flandin and Laval when he passed through Paris shortly before Christmas on his way to the Riviera. His presence there was connected by rumour with the conversations between M. Laval and Signor Mussolini in Rome, to which the projected London conversations are regarded as a sequel.

It is authoritatively stated that it is the desire of the British government, also shared by the French government, that the European situation should not be allowed to drift. Consequently the opportunity of discussing the broad basis on which the major European problems can be approached was welcomed.

### No Decisions

It is with that idea in mind, rather than the idea of taking definite decisions on any particular points, that the conversations will take place here. There would seem moreover to be some possibility that the meeting may prove to be only the first of a series in which European statesmen will attempt to reach the solution of the large issues outstanding.

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## CONSISTORY TO ELECT CARDINALS

ROME, Wednesday

A Secret Consistory will be held during Lent for the creation of new cardinals, according to reports from Vatican circles.

The recent death of the English Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, the number of vacancies in the Sacred College has been brought to 18. The Sacred College is composed at present of 26 Italian and 25 foreign cardinals.

The death of Cardinal Gasparri, the former Papal Secretary of State who negotiated the Lateran treaty creating the Vatican State, had caused the number of foreign cardinals to be equal to that of Italian cardinals for the first time in many years. Cardinal Bourne's death restored the Italian preponderance.

The selection of Cardinal Bourne's successor in the see of West-

minster is still being awaited. The new archbishop will be chosen by the Pope, after the canons of Westminster Cathedral have sent in a list of suggested names.

Monsignor Duchemin, Rector of Beda College, Doctor Amigo, Bishop of Southwark, and Doctor Downey, Archbishop of Liverpool, are mentioned as possible successors to Cardinal Bourne. It is expected that the prelate appointed will be made a cardinal, and that his elevation to that dignity will take place at the same Consistory which considers the claims to canonisation of Sir Thomas More and Bishop Fisher.

The Blessed Thomas More was Henry VIII's chancellor, and both he and Fisher were put to death for their refusal either to assist that monarch in his attempt to

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## AMAZING INCIDENT IN SAAR

SAARBRUECKEN, Wednesday

Six German emigrants, all of whom are constables in the Saar police force, intended to fight the armed forces of England, Italy, Holland and Sweden, as well as the League of Nations in an attempt to carry out an uprising in the Saar territory.

The facts of the amazing attempt became known yesterday when the six brave men were arrested by the authorities. The uprising was to be carried out when the results in favour of Germany were known.

Although the authorities succeeded in nipping the plan in the bud, even if it had not been discovered it is doubtful that success would have been possible had the six policemen been permitted to proceed with their attempt.

It is now learned that about 120

police constables who formed the personal guard of the defeated emigrant and Separatist leader, Major Braun, were included in the plan. They were organized by the original six in an attempt to carry out a «putsch.»

Details of the arrests and the discovery of the plotters are lacking, but an admiration for their courage is not. Since they were on the spot, they must have known full well that the armed forces of four powerful nations and the weight of opinion of the League of Nations were against them.

Two battalions of British troops, two battalions of Italian troops, 250 hard-bitten Dutch Marines and a detachment of determined Swedish troopers were on hand to prevent just such disturbances as the six constables tried to organize.

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**THE SAAR**

The long-awaited event is past.  
The world, and the parties inter-  
ested, know the will of the people  
and the Saar. The Saar is German,  
beyond the shadow of a doubt be-  
cause the people who inhabit that  
disputed and strategic bit of ter-  
ritory so wish it.

What remains to be seen is the  
outcome of the decision. It will not  
be known this year; perhaps only  
after the lapse of ten years. For  
everything hangs on the question  
that what Germany will do now that  
she has the wherewithal to wage  
war.

That Germany is interested in  
maintaining her strength, in bu-  
ilding up her army and navy and  
training her citizens for warfare  
in spite of the provisions of the Ver-  
sailles Treaty and the restraining  
and of the League of Nations—  
then that hand meant anything  
cannot be doubted.

It does not matter that Herr  
Hitler is loud in his protestations  
of peacefulness. He follows one  
speech meant for the press  
and the ears of the world with an-  
other equally strong urging pre-  
paredness on his countrymen, and  
reaching the gospel that war is  
the only means for Germany to  
make her way.

With the material for making  
guns and ammunition now defi-  
nitely in his hands, it remains to  
be seen if the Leader will bur-  
geon out with still more confidence,  
but with still harsher threats up-  
on the countries surrounding him,  
and will, in short, carry out the  
threats of war which he has al-  
ready and repeatedly made.

If these things come to pass, and  
if it is not without the bounds of  
possibility that they will, then the  
world is in for a hard time of it.  
The war to end war has not yet  
been fought, nor will it ever be,  
while men remain men and na-  
tions are governed by them.

If Herr Hitler surprises his cri-  
tics and observers by only making  
proper use of the territory which  
he has gained by the vote, then  
the observers without doubt will  
be as surprised as they will be de-  
frighted.

**ON THE ISLAND**

*By The Wayfarer*

The Exochorda arrives tomor-  
row bringing a number of Amer-  
ican visitors to the Island. Among  
those who will probably come to  
Mallorca for rather long holidays  
are Mr. and Mrs. James Donald  
of Baltimore, Miss Edythe Wallach  
of New Rochelle, New York, and  
Mrs. Ruth Wise of New York City.

**RETURNING:—**

Mrs. Ruth Wise is returning to  
Palma for her third visit. She is  
making the Island an annual habit  
and will probably remain here for  
several months. Lately she advised  
friends to expect her this  
month, but it is possible that she  
was unable to catch the Exochor-  
da and will arrive on the Excali-  
bur a fortnight hence.

**NEW OWNER:—**

Announcement has just been  
made that the owner of the pen-  
sion Villa Thea in Ca's Catalá has  
acquired the pension Eva María.  
The latter pension is located on  
the hill above the beach at Cala-  
nayar.

**BANKER:—**

Now that banking conditions in  
America have returned to normal,  
it may be expected that more  
members of that honourable pro-

session will find time to visit  
broad. Arriving in Mallorca this  
week were Mr. and Mrs. Charles  
Layzer Rodefer. Mr. Rodefer is  
the leading banker in Bellaire,  
Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Rodefer are  
stopping at the Hotel Victoria  
during their stay here. They came  
to the Island from Marseilles.

**LONDON ENGINEER:—**

Later arrivals in Mallorca in-  
clude Mr. and Mrs. John Rawlings  
of Grosvenor Road, London. Mr.  
Rawlings is a prominent engineer.  
They expect to remain here for a  
brief holiday, having arrived from  
the mainland after a rather ex-  
tensive trip on the continent.

**HERE AND THERE:—**

Mr. Fairfax Hall left El Terreno  
this week for the other side of the  
Island. He expects to visit several  
seashore towns and will probably  
remain in the Puerto de Pollensa  
for a short holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred de Liagre of  
New York have gone to Barcelona.  
They sailed on the Tuesday night  
boat.

Miss N. Pearse, noted British ar-  
tist, has returned to her home on  
Salutary Road, Exeter. She visited  
here for several weeks. Her  
friends on the Island expect her

to return next winter for a lon-  
ger holiday.

**POLLENSA:—**

Lady Patricia Waleran has ar-  
rived at her handsome villa near  
Formentor after a short stay in  
El Terreno. She will remain in  
Pollensa for the balance of the  
season.

**COUNT LEAVES:—**

Count and Countess Allo Cavaz-  
zocco left the Island for Barcelo-  
na early this week, after a short  
stay near Palma. Count Cavaz-  
zocco is the well known Italian  
engineer. He expects to return to  
his home in Verona within a few  
weeks.

**ARRIVALS:—**

Recent arrivals on the Island in-  
clude the following: M. Julien Gal-  
lechet of Courmanc, France, Mme.  
Ivone Devereane of Villafranche,  
and M. Jean de Clercq, noted bar-  
rister from Anvers, Belgium.

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**THE NIGHT WATCH**

Somebody whose name escapes  
once said, «Whenever a new book  
is written, I read an old one.»  
Don't bother to tell me the source  
of the quotation—it will occur to  
me in good time.

A fairly old book that came my  
way recently was «The Great Boer  
War» by A. Conan Doyle. Not a  
book that is so old that it is a rar-  
ity, and not one so important that  
it even takes a high place in En-  
glish literature. For that matter  
it is hard to use the word «liter-  
ature» to describe the work of  
an author who delighted in split-  
ting one, two and even three in-  
finitives per page, not for conven-  
ience or clarity, but simply to hear  
'em pop.

From my point of view—the  
point of view of an American whose  
knowledge of recent British  
history is not what it should be  
and whose age is insufficient to  
make possible a memory of the  
press accounts of the great war  
in South Africa—Conan Doyle's  
book is fascinating. For one thing,  
it was in the Boer War that ro-  
mance began to slip from the pic-  
ture of the battlefield and a pre-  
diction of what the World War  
would be like appeared; for an-  
other, romance did not disappear  
so rapidly but that certain sec-  
tions of the war were inspiring.  
Example: boys in their teens or  
early twenties being led into action  
by colonels and even generals old  
enough to be their fathers, if not  
their grandfathers. A foolish waste  
of military intelligence, if you  
like; but it could not be said that  
the war was managed by old men  
who would not have to fight in it.

My immediate impression of  
«The Great Boer War»—an im-  
pression obtained after reading  
only a few pages—was that Conan  
Doyle was being painstakingly fair.

I remarked on this fairness to  
an Irishman who served in the  
Boer War, and his answer was «I  
haven't read the book, but it can't  
be fair because Conan Doyle was  
a journalist.»

Of course, I stand corrected be-  
fore such a sane criticism as this.  
Winston Churchill was a grand  
journalist, but a poor historian—  
on the basis of my Irish friend's  
argument. And Boswell, who has  
been called one of the greatest  
journalists of all time could not  
have been an accurate historian,  
in spite of the reputation of his  
biography of Samuel Johnson.

I also discussed Conan Doyle's  
history of the Boer War with Ma-  
jor Charles Gilson, a veteran who  
fought nearly all the way through  
the conflict. In many cases his  
opinions are those of the histo-  
rian—notably, that Lord Roberts  
was the military genius who never  
made a mistake. Major Gilson's  
own book of reminiscences, «Chan-  
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tail; it will be interesting to read  
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## BOMB IN PRADO GALLERY

MADRID, Wednesday

Arturo Spillari, an Italian subject living in the Madrid suburb of Chamartin de la Rosa, prevented serious damage to the treasures of the Museo del Prado, Madrid's world famous art gallery, by discovering and extinguishing a bomb which had been placed in one of the rooms.

Spillari found the infernal machine lying on a radiator in the room known as that of the Portraits of Illustrious Men. It was wrapped in paper, and consisted of a steel tube 20 centimeters long and eight centimeters in diameter, closed at both ends with bolted steel plates, and a lighted fuse was attached to it.

The Italian seized the bomb and tore the fuse away with his teeth. Gallery attendants then came up, and took charge of the explosive, which they handed over to the army authorities.

The new rooms on the ground floor of the Prado gallery are now open to the public. They contain a number of works of art not previously exhibited, and are lighted artificially.

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## GENERAL BATET

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received the surrender of the rebel president. He then had to suppress minor disturbances in other parts of the region, and take charge of the civil administration.

The military authorities were in supreme control in any case, as a state of war had been proclaimed as soon as Señor Companys' intentions were known. General Batet however found that it was necessary to appoint army officers to replace the President of the Generalidad, the Mayor of Barcelona and other high civil officials who had taken part in the rising or were suspected of sympathising with it.

## AMAZING INCIDENT

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In addition, they would have had to contend with numerous armoured tanks and cars, and a large number of machine guns.

The arrested constables are in jail until the prevailing excitement over the vote simmers down. They will then be given a severe trial.

## THEATRE GUIDE

### TEATRO PRINCIPAL

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## FRENCH VISIT TO LONDON

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The outcome of the Rome conversations was not only to remove the chief causes of friction between France and Italy, but also to open the way for the solution of several highly important problems of a wider range. Not the least important development was the suggestion of a way cut of the armaments deadlock.

M. Laval made it clear in Rome that he is prepared to recede a long way from the inflexible position formerly taken up by France in the matter of German rearmament. The way is now clear for the opening of negotiations between the interested powers and Germany for an arms agreement on a basis of equality, principal points in which would be control of arms manufacture and the publication of military budgets.

It is assumed that the next steps to be taken in that direction will be one of the subjects to be discussed between the French visitors and British ministers.

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## FRENCH SPEECH

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Throughout, the press reports of the speech of M. Flandin exult in the fact that he has had to step down from his position in regard to the Saar, because of the overwhelming expression of opinion in favour of Germany as shown in the vote.

## NEW CARDINALS

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make himself head of the Church in England, or to swear allegiance to him as such. The proposal to recognise their sainthood has aroused great enthusiasm among English Catholics, and arrangements are being made to mark the occasion by organising pilgrimages to Rome from England.

## LEAGUE CONSIDERS SAAR

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the result of the overwhelming proportion of the population which has evidenced its desire.

In Rome, it is reported through Berlin, unconcealed satisfaction prevails in Italian official circles over the result of the Saar voting. It is realised that the devastating majority in favour of reunion with Germany has created a completely clear situation which is incapable of any misinterpretation, thus greatly facilitating the League's decision as to the return of the territory to the Reich.

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## MOROCCO AT PEACE

MADRID, Wednesday

Señor Rico Avello, Spanish Commissioner in Morocco arrived in Madrid today.

The High Commissioner has visited Don Eloy Vaquero, Minister of the Interior, and has other official visits to make to President Alcalá Zamora and Señor Lerroux, the premier. After wards he intends to visit his family in Oviedo before returning to Morocco.

Señores Rico Avello and Vaquero discussed the problems of the Protectorate at length, and impressions were optimistic. The Minister afterwards made a statement to the press, in which he praised the political intelligence and tact of Señor Rico Avello.

On Moroccan terms, he told reporters, formerly constituted a profound preoccupation for the Government. Since Señor Avello took over, all questions arising in the zone are settled without need of reference to the High Commissioner.

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