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## THE WINE WE'LL DRINK

Survey of Spanish Grape Centres Shows Crop Now Being Harvested Will Be Rather
Smaller Than Normal But of Good Quality

RAPE growers, wine makers, laborers, bottlers, casual imbibers, shippers and connoisseurs are at this time of year concerning themselves only with the quality of the crop and the prospects of 1933 being one of those great years that future generations will remember when they call for their wine. All over Spain the gathering of the grape has been

going on briskly to the accompaniment of speculation and tests to see if conditions have been such that the resulting wine will be outstanding among that of other years.

With the harvest still far from complete, it is possible for the experts to reach pretty binding decisions. They have done so, and a general summary of expert reports from all over the country indicate the following re-

sults for the country as a whole:

The volume of production will be a little below normal, from 10 to 20 per cent. The quality on the whole is well above normal, but not that rare superlative. The prices should not be excessive.

Of course there are districts which have done better than this, where just the right combination of sun and rain have promised a magnificent wine. There are others where too much rain or mildew or fruit fly or too little rain have ruined prospects for this year. In some places a very small crop is compensated by the excellent quality of the fruit.

Over the country in general the only obstacle to achieving a bonanza year was a little too much rain at the end of the season.

First in discussion of such a subject must come sherry, recognized as the king of Spanish wines. In the broad vineyards of Jerez de la Frontera mildew has wrought a great deal of havoc, materially reducing the size of the crop. Winter rains and

summer drought also contributed to reduce the harvest, and the general result has not been to improve the quality, as often happens when the quantity is small. However, sherry is less dependent than table wines upon the delicate nuances in the development of the grape.

Sherry is what is known in the trade as a «generous» wine; that is, it is blended carefully and

treated with vinous alcohol to achieve its proper form. It is owing to this blending that the generous wines improve with age, whereas the beverage wines, which are untreated, deteriorate in time. But the blending is also responsible for the greater stability of type from one year to another in the generous wines. Any deficiencies in the grape can be largely corrected in the blending.



Getting in the Grape

The same applies to the other generous wines of Spain, most of them dessert wines, Malagas, Mistelas, Moscatels and Malvasias. They are practically the same every year, although very discriminating connoisseurs can distinguish differences, and in general they will be more plentiful than sherries, for their crops are larger in comparison with last

These «manufactured» wines have made Spain famous abroad, but, it is the table wine which is the big thing for the grower, and for the exporter too. Spanish table wines, largely unknown abroad in their own right, are approved under French labels. France takes so much Spanish wine to blend with her own and to improve the quality of French beverages, that the greatest wine producing country in the world has an unfavourable balance of trade on wine, importing more (nearly all from Spain) than

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### Swindler Saved from Mob

Many visitors to Palma who have bought contraband cigarettes that turned out to be sawdust, not tobacco, will be relieved to hear of the arrest of Miguel Salva Basilio. He thought that foreigners were easy victims, and he probably was right, because he plied his trade with them for months without detection. But when he tried the same scheme recently with Mallorquins, he found the primrose path led to a hospital.

The attention of the police was first attracted to him when they saw him pursued down the Borne by small crowd of angry men. They joined the chase and captured him when he took refuge in the Oriente Restaurant. His story was that he had hired a taxi in order to deliver a large box to some man, name unknown to him, who lived in the Calle Roig, and for which he was to get 1,000 pesetas. He said that when they reached the destination, the strange man attacked him with a stick and that a group of chauffeurs joined the fight against him, so that he thought the wisest course was flight.

The story of the unknown man concurs with this, excepting that he adds that the box contained not cigarettes, which he had paid for, but sawdust, which he did not even want. He says that when he remonstrated with Miguel, the latter made no effort to deny the swindle and claimed he sold the sawdust because contraband tobacco was forbidden by the law.

Miguel's recovery is being watched by the police for they suspect he is the same persuasive salesman who lately sold a box supposedly containing furs, for 750 pesetas, which, when opened, was discovered to contain nothing but stones.

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Last week the three were tried and sentenced. One to eight years in prison. A second, to ten months. The third, who attempted to establish an alibi and so prove that he was not implicated in the crime, received five months and a fine of 180 pesetas for perjury.

#### Bridge (lub Formed

Mrs. Loris Mendelsohn has launched Palma's first bridge club, although it is not the first attempted, and it has met with a grateful response from many players. Hitherto the only organized bridge was that indulged in by a select circle at the English Tea Rooms, but Mrs. Mendelsohn hopes to have her club cater to everyone who wants to play, and she has selected the Hotel Bellver as a convenient location.

Her bridge club opened Friday night, and the first session was a great success. Among those who were seen playing were Major Charles Goetz, Mr. Ronald Goetz, Mrs. Eve Hemingway, Major Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Armstrong, Mr. Dudley Bigelow, Mr. Peter Baker, and Mr. Mortimer.

It is Mrs. Mendelsohn's plan to have bridge games afternoons at three, and later in the evening, and membership is open to all who care to play. Tables, of course, will be selective, so that those who look upon the game as something pretty serious will not have their game spoiled by chatty partners.

#### Mrs. Hillgarth's Mother Dies

Commander Hillgarth has delayed his departure from London due to the death of Lady Burghelere, the Hon. Mrs. Hillgarth's mother. The British Vice Consul had planned to be in Palma this week, but due to these unfortunate circumstances he will probably not return until the end of October.

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### Insularities

By Mildred Willis Harris

L ately the Government has seen fit to tighten up on contraband tobacco, and carabineros have become more vigilant. Our own experience with them has not been very serious. They stopped us recently outside a shop which they suspected had sold boot-leg cigarettes, and asked if we had any with us. When we said, «No,» they still seemed skeptical, but looking in the car they could find nothing but a pane of clear, transparent window glass, and so they left us without firing a shot.

If you are stopped by carabineros who insist on searching you, you are within your rights in telling them that they must put white gloves on. If you find one who is prepared for this, you probably will do no more than ruffle up his temper with your fussiness. But if your man has left his gloves at home, maybe you'll have a chance to sneak off

while he's looking for them.

Under the monarchy, an elderly Condesa was coming into Spain from Paris. She had the reputation of being one who knew her mind, and spoke it on occasion. A custom's officer, white gloved, was going through her luggage, examining her intimate apparel much to her annoyance. The man insisted certain articles were new, and she insisted just as firmly that they had been worn. He looked them over thoroughly for spots or wrinkles, and found none. In a last effort to make sure, he held the dainty garments to his nose and sniffed. That, the Condesa thought, was much too much, and so she very briskly slapped his face.

The Government was naturally annoyed, because it likes its custom's men to feel that it is standing back of them, protecting them from the assaults of ladies. The papers played the story up from every angle, but after they had had their fun, the matter

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#### On Terms

The other day, when we were lunching on the Born, a limpiabotas tried drumming trade from two Americans at the next table. Although they shook their heads and went on talking, he stood and eyed their dusty boots with interest. «Shoe shine?,» he asked again in English.

«No,» one man answered him, and went on with

his conversation.

The young boot-black was not discouraged. «You Norteamericano, señor?,» he demanded.

The man admitted that he was.

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## Further Steps are Taken to Free Miguel Gomila

Further steps to free Miguel Gomila, young Mallorquin who has served four years of a ten year sentence for arson in New York, are being taken. The Spanish Consul in New York is being requested to investigate certain phases of the case, for the young man's father has received two new letters from New York throwing doubt on the very existence of the fire which Gomila was convicted of having started.

One of the letters comes from a Mrs. Clara Jones, of Danbury, Conn., who hints that the alleged fire should be investigated and not the court case itself. Another correspondent, father of one of Gomila's friends in New York, writes:

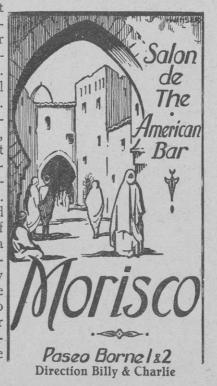
«I have just read the column of THE MAJORCA SUN with reference to your son, and I am very glad to learn that you have started in the attempt to gain his release.... I would suggest as a starter that you attempt a little pressure on the Spanish Consul in New York. Some of the important features of the case that should be brought into the open in the interest of real justice are, first: The identity of the individual who testified he sold your son a can of gasoline; his identity was never rightly established nor his occupation proven. It looks as though a proper investigation of the status of this man would show he testified in behalf of those interested in the conviction of your son. Second: Investigate the house where the fire was supposed to have occurred and the extent of the damage. There is some doubt as to whether or not there was any fire at

all. Third: The lawyer who handled the defense of your son did so in a matter of form and perfunctory manner and failed miserably to obtain for him the full amount of protection and justice that is afforded every individual standing trial in an American court of justice.»

#### Air Mail

While the Aérea Mediterrànea planes between Palm and Barcelona are to begin very soon, the inauguration of air mail from Palma will await the

first of the year, at which time it is expected that another company will secure the contract. This company will be the L. A. P. E. (Líneas Aéreas Postales de España), which controls most of the air mail contracts of the Spanish Government. The passenger and freight service of the Mediterranea company are, however, nearly ready to begin, and the company hopes to have the passenger service tied up before the older line can get in.



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## Thumb Nail Sketches - Barrister Romallo

We dropped in recently on Don Luis Romallo y Thomas, who will be the defendants' counsel when the Five Americans come up for trial this week. Although we learned exactly nothing of the case, we found out this and that about the man. He is dark, restless, energetic, thirty two, and at first glance looks much less clever than he is. His bushy hair grows low down on his forehead.

A little mustache hides his fulllipped mouth. He twitches nervously, and with his left knee beats a constant tattoo, while his keen, heavy-lidded eyes laugh, grow opaque, and pry into you by turns.

Señor Romallo studied at the Jesuits' College in Deusto where, at twenty, he got his degree as Doctor of Law. Feeling that he deserved a rest before he settled down, he traveled and amused himself during the next four years. When he had played years. enough, he took, and passed with honours, the stiff examinations necessary to become a military lawyer, and later gained the rank of Captain. In Spain, as elsewhere, Generals and other ranking officers too often feel superior to Captains, and sometimes take advantage of their precedence in

court. Señor Romallo wanted his cases tried upon their merits with stars and bars and such insignia left out, so after five years of military life, he retired from the army.

During the three years he has practised law in Palma, he has pleaded forty-fifty cases, most of which he won. In court, his manner is impressive. He speaks in a clear, quiet voice, avoiding gestures and all vocal pyrotechnics. Actors would say he underplays his part. At any rate, the pose is most effective, especially when his opponent goes bombastic. Then the cool detachment of his manner, by the very force of contrast, makes his relentless logic and his shrewd deductions formidable.

He very much prefers the criminal to civil law, and cases that are difficult, to easy ones. He is an ardent Catholic and regrets that the Republic banished from the court room the crucifix before which witnesses were made to swear. Now they only promise that they'll tell the truth. Señor Romallo sometimes has his doubts about their testimony. He takes the keenest pleasure in his cross examinations. Matching his wits against reluctant witnesses, he very rarely comes out second best.

Although Mallorca is notoriously tranquil, Señor Romallo says regretfully the proportion of murders probably is higher in Spain than in America. Crimes of passion are a weakness of the Latin tem-

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perament, but a premeditated killing is extremely rare. Theft is not so frequently committed because the Spaniard, as a rule, does not crave money, but sometimes foreigners come here and try to carry on their rackets. There was one such who sold gold bricks in Palma. Incredible as it may seem, he was successful, fooling both the assayors at the customs and jewelers who paid eight thousand pesetas each for the gold bricks.

When it became apparent to the jewelers that they had not got a bargain, the racketeer engaged Señor Romallo to defend him. Thanks to this foresight, he avoided jail.

Another client was a Czeck who came to Palma with a pile of German bank notes, issued in 1910 and since recalled. He changed the one into a three to make them seem like a more recent issue, and cashed a number at the local banks. He, too, stayed out of jail thanks to Romallo. When asked if both these men did not deserve a sentence, Señor Romallo smiled and answered that it was his business to defend, and not to judge them.

Although he speaks no English, many of his clients here are members of the English-speak-

ing colony, who, he believes, have done a lot to change things in Mallorca. He is neither glad nor sad about this.... simply accepts it a fact. So far, he thinks, neither the altered laws of the Republic nor the broadmindedness of visitors have made divorce more popular in Spain. Under the Monarchy, divorce was nonexistent. Now, although theoretically divorce in Spain is possible, practically it is still extremely difficult, and it is doubtful whether Spanish women will ever go in much for alimony and its twin evil, breach of promise suits. Señor Romallo thinks Spanish women too proud.

During his leisure moments, which are rare because he works at night and spends his days in court or listening to clients, he likes to read biography and history, to play tresillo, and to be with his young sons. Some day he hopes to have the time to catch up on lost sleep. But even though the law deprives him of these simple pleasures, it has its compensations. His work is never drudgery to him, but stimulation and excitement. Although he feels no jealousy at the success of rivals, he suffers from the keenest disappointment in the rare failures that Fate sends his way.

In contrast with his pose in court, Señor Romallo has great warmth and charm, and a quick, bubbling sense of humour. His manner is extremely frank, but he cannot be caught off guard into revealing what he wants concealed. His face becomes a stolid mask at will, as, from under drooping lids, he watches his advantage. At such times he looks dull and unintelligent.... a fact on which he probably depends to lead on the unwary into indiscretions. Decidedly, we would prefer to fire questions at Señor Romallo than to be a writhing witness under his barrage.



Luis Romallo, Barrister, a caricature by Esteban

## Delusions of Slipping Grandeur

R ECALLING the days when England's word was law in Europe, a section of political opinion both in Great Britain and the Continent, is bemoaning the circumstance that the once great power has ceased to sway her commanding power. She is displeased with Germany, and more inclined towards France than at any times since the Versailles Treaty, but the pundits are pointing out that this is having remarkably little effect on the international situa-

As a matter of fact, it is a curious fact that for centuries the influence of England has been exaggerated in retrospect. Ever since the days of the elder Pitt, the patriots have been voicing the same erv-«a few years ago Englanjd was respected in the society of nations, and now she is a mere shell

of her former self.»

The curious thing is that only Englishmen seem to take this complaint very seriously. The rest of the Continent continues to maintain its respect for England's financial and naval and industrial forces. The only trouble is that at no time did England, or any other power, ever have the strength to overwhelm the rest of Europe at once, and it is apparently the illusion of once having had this influence that leads to the periodic «viewing with alarm.»

In domestic affairs, England is apparently staging a recovery programme, not so widely heralded but with similar results to that of the United States. England has been longer off the gold standard; the slogan of «Buy British» has been used for years now, and the most recently issued figures show a decrease of over half a million in the ranks of the unemployed. There are still over two million of them, but the prospects of recovery towards some-

thing normal are improving.

#### Political Cynosure

From the purely political point of view Spain occupied the centre of the world's stage when the Governmental crisis, which to the outside world had seemed merely the repetition of other crises, wound up in a dissolution of the Cortes which may be said to have made the revolution. At least it has the new Constitution, the Catalan home rule statute, religious and agrarian laws and a mass of other revolutionary legislation to its credit.

However, at the end of two years, its inability to unite in support of a Government was clear, and there is no doubt that this circumstance prevented the Cortes from being entirely useful; a fact which is recognized by its friends as well as its enemies.

The new elections are set for November 19th the first Constitutionally elected Republican Parliament will convene on December 8th-and the most interesting circumstance, aside from the out-come, is the sight of a new Republic marching to There are plenty of predictions, but



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none of them are made with any degree of certainty, for the electorate is too new for anyone to be able to say just what decisions it will take.

However, the Spaniard is particularly a man, according to the definition of man as a political His interest in politics, even when he was deprived of participation, was keen, and we should see a gloriously exciting campaign, whatever the

#### French Problems

French politics are also absorbing to the student of coalitions. France is occupying a peculiar situation at the moment, set apart from the rest of the world by her self sufficiency and her gold standard currency. But while she is proud she is not altogether happy in her isolation, and there are signs of unrest as she wonders what to do about it.

She is taking very seriously her responsibilities as head of the gold standard bloc, but recent meetings of men in power in France have shown that they are looking for some way by which they can slip away gracefully to join the rest of the world or persuade the rest of the world to step up and join

The recurrent problems of disarmament and peace have also caused a good deal of stirring about in Paris. We are reaching the point, driven to it by poverty perhaps, that the enormous burden of modern armaments can be cut without having such insistence upon pledges of security as France was

still demanding last year.

It actually appears that the result of all the talk will be that most of Europe will reduce its armaments a little while Germany raises hers in accordance with the dictates of Nazi pride. At that, Germany will have the smallest army in Europe, and even the most nervous Frenchman could sleep at nights.

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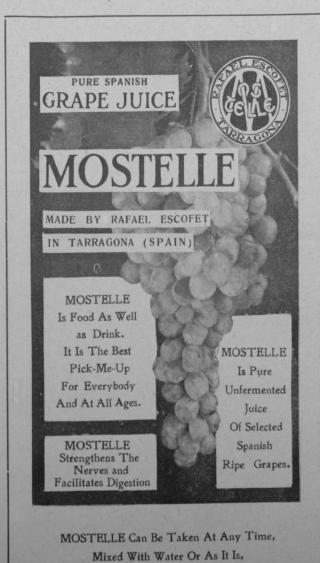
## Two Arrests Made Here in "Prisoner" Swindle

The Barcelona police this week made two arrests in connection with the «Spanish Prisoner Swindle,» upon which Spanish and British authorities are uniting in a brisk campaign, as told in these columns last week.

The case which led to these arrests was typical of the manner in which the «racket» is worked. Not long ago a gentleman arrived in Barcelona from Canada, looking for his share of a fortune which had been promised him by letter. He was to send to his correspondent six thousand dollars to pay court costs, etc., for the release of a man unjustly held. This man had concealed in a false bottom of his suitcase, on deposit in a French railway station luggage room, the sum of 1,200,000 pesetas. His benefactor had been promised a third part of this sum.

The Canadian decided to see the venture through in person and accompany the poor man to France on his release. Either his suspicions were aroused by some flaw in the smooth working of the scheme, or else the police tipped him off. At any rate, the police took a hand in the game and kept a discreet watch on the hotel at which the Canadian was staying. At the proper moment they intervened more materially, and took into custody Francisco Penina Camp and Andrés Juan Mauri.

These arrests are almost unique in the history of the swindle. Although it is one of the oldest of confidence tricks, it has seldom been followed up.



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#### Wine Enlistments

Several American firms interested in the importation of wines and a number of Spanish wine exporters were among the new members elected to the American Chamber of Commerce for Spain at a meeting of the Chamber's board, held in its headquarters, Rambla de los Estudios, 8.

A report of the Chamber's financial status showing continued improvement was received by the

board with much satisfaction.

In the absence of President Robert B. Gwynn, Vice-President José Macià presided.

#### Mr. Gwynn on Trade

President Robert B., Gwynn of the American Chamber of Commerce for Spain, who left for the United States about two months ago, returned to Genoa aboard the Conte de Savoia, Saturday, October 8th, and departed at once for Lake Como, where he joined his family. With them he will return to Barcelona at the end of the month.

return to Barcelona at the end of the month. In the United States Mr. Gwynn discussed Spanish trade problems with representatives of the State Department in Washington and officials of the United States Chamber of Commerce. He found everyone interested in the negotiation of a commercial treaty. The impression in government circles appears to be, however, that precedence in the negotiation of treaties is being given to countries whose exports are not competitive with the products of American industry and agriculture. Whether these negotiations will interfere with an early settlement of a trade pact with Spain is not definite.

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Nearly 500 listeners in the United States and Canada alone now send letters every month to the station. «Fan» letters also come from European countries, especially England and Germany, and also from parts of Spain, although reception is bet-

ter at a distance.

Programmes are broadcast, in Spanish and English, daily from 10:30 p. m. to midnight, G. M. T., by Radiodifusión Ibero-Americana, after which a half hour program in English is broadcast by the International Broadcasting Co., Limited, especially for England and the British Empire. The station's wave length is 30 meters, and its power is 20 kilowatts.

The music broadcast is almost entirely Spanish. Lectures are given both in Spanish and English, the subject nearly always being some phase of Spain. An innovation is the broadcasting of news from Catalonia in Catalan. A general news bulletin is also real in Spanish, and a digest of Spanish news is read in English. Friday nights there is a short

lesson in Spanish pronunciation.

«Aquí Madrid, España,» opens the broadcasting, the Spanish announcers being Pepe Medina, an actor, and Francisco Ramos de Castro, playwright. Following this announcement either Arthur Wilson or Reginald Davies, the English announcers, give distant listeners in a thrill by saying «Madrid calling!» Then the music begins, usually with a pasodoble.

Radiodifusión Ibero-American supplements its broadcasting by publishing a monthly magazine called E. A. Q.

Colonel Stephen O. Fuqua, who succeeds Colonel Robert H. Fletcher, Jr., as military attaché to the United States Embassy, has had a distinguished military career. He entered the service in 1898 in Louisiana, and has served in the Philippines, Hawaii, and various stations in the United States. During the World War he saw active service as chief of staff of the First Division. The last four years he served in Washington as Chief of Infantry. He has the distinguished service medal, Legion of Honor, and Croix de Guerre with two palms. He is a graduate of the University of Louisiana.

Colonel Fletcher, who was military attaché here for four years, left Madrid a week ago for Paris, where he was to join Mrs. Fletcher and proceed on a tour of central Europe on leave before sailing for America. He has been assigned to a regiment of

light tanks at Fort Meade, Maryland.

A round of social functions kept Colonel Fletcher busy during his farewell week in Madrid. Among the dinners given in his honour was one at which Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Ross were hosts. The guests included the Ambassador of the United States and Mrs. Claude G. Bowers, Colonel and Mrs. Fu-

qua, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Byne, and Miss Margaret Palmer.

The American Luncheon club resumed its regular luncheon meetings Tuesday at the Hotel National.

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Mr. Horsfall Carter, secretary of the New Commonwealth, a society for the promotion of international law and order, headed by Lord Davies, is in Madrid.

This season Madrid has a heavy schedule of international congresses. The twenty-ninth congress of the Inter-Parlamentary Union closed on Tuesday, but the Spanish parliamentary leaders were too busy attempting to solve their own government crisis to devote much time to the meetings. Attendance was much smaller than expected at the opening.

On Saturday the international conference for the unification of the penal law will convence in the Palace of Justice, and will continue until next Sa-

turday.

From Oct. 25th until Oct. 31st the International Anti-Cancer Congress will be in session. Among delegates who will present papers are Dr. J. A. Murray of London, Dr. F. C. Grant of Philadelphia and Dr. J. Ewing of New York.

On November 7th the International Press Congress, sponsored by the League of Nations, will assemble for a week's discussion of journalistic problems. One of them will be methods for the suppression of false news which might hurt international relations.

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## The Wine We'll Drink

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she exports, although the value is greatly enhanced for the exports by the price charged for the French

name and the French blend.

Perhaps the best known and certainly one of the best of Spanish table wines is Rioja, which is grown in the provinces of Alava and Logroño. Both the red and the white are dry, rather light wines and most of it is exported. This year's production is only slightly below par, and the quality of the fruit is described as excellent, firm and rich. Rio-

ja, 1933, will be a very good wine.

Another favourite is Priorato, which comes from the provinces of Barcelona and Tarragona, which after two bad years have achieved a normal output and prospects for good quality. Tarragona wine is particularly good, and President Joan Masanelles of the Syndicate of Exporters, declares that the Priorato especially will be fine, for this grape is harvested a little later than the other Tarragona wines. These others were rendered slightly less substantial, (so that the wine will have slightly less body) by rain just at harvest time, but Priorato grapes were not influenced. He considers the year a normal one, for which the growers are somewhat thankful after the destruction of the crop by mildew last year, although the prospects of good markets are slimmer.

Alicante wines, also good table wines and largely used by French blenders, were reduced to less than half their normal volume by mildew and other pests, but the quality of what is left is reported to be

Valdepeñas, a medium white wine which is one of the most important of Spanish varieties, gives every promise of a normal quantity and a good

quality.

The Spanish champagnes, according to the house of Codorniu, are to enjoy a good year. Grapes for sparkling wines are gathered a little earlier than those for other wines, and thus escaped the super-fluous rain. Most of the sparkling wine grapes come from the Barcelona province, and so in about ten years we will have some good champagne.

One of the factors which is causing some damage to prospects in the South is a labor dispute which is interferring with the harvest, and which will doubt-

less be reflected in the quality of the wine.

The kind of wine we are to drink is given a general review by President Francesc Santacana, of the Union of Catalan Wine Growers, who after intensive study of all the wine districts of Spain, has this week expressed the following opinion:

«The crop this year is extremely variable, even within each district, owing to the different composition of the soils, the varying atmospheric conditions and local phenomena, and the rain of the last days may also have its effect. The present impression is that the crop will not, in volume, attain to the proportions of a normal crop, but will not be far below it. In general an 80 per cent. of normal harvest is expected.

«Until very recently it was anticipated that this year would produce a splendid quality, but at the moment of harvesting it is noticeable that the quality has not reached these expectations, although it is considerable better than last year. The body of the wine in general is superior to last year, but not much except in certain privileged districts. Fermentation takes place smoothly and evenly. The recent rains will probably result in the loss of about one degree in the alcoholic content of the wine.

«In Andalucia the quality is good, but the volume reduced. In Castilla and La Mancha the variation is very great. In La Rioja the quality is good but the quantity is also below normal. In Levante the crop appears to be deficient in both quality and

quantity

«It is doubtless that the district where the crop most nearly approaches normal is Cataluña. our notices agree on this. The quality is not better than last year, when it was extraordinary, but it will be as good except for some part gathered after the recent rains, which augmented the flavour of the grape without giving the sufficient time to increase the sugar content to improve their quality.»

One of the things which has struck one observer during this season is the almost defeatist attitude of the table wine growers towards the potential American market. They have hopes but no illusions, and apparently are doing little to gain a footing upon the repeal of prohibition. Their attitude in general is that the United States will revert to its drinking habits of pre-prohibition days; in other words, that the sherry and dessert wine bodegas will get a lot of business, but that the Americans drink little wine with their meals. What they do take, say the Spanish growers, will probably be French.

However, there are a few who hope that after the interlude of bootleg hooch the Americans will develop new drinking habits. Since the introduction of prohibition many have travelled and become accustomed to the European table wines. A new generation reared on bath tub gin is willing to try anything else, and the minority of Spanish wine growers, while concentrating on the crop now being harvested, are giving some attention to the possibilities of capturing a considerable market in the United States by the propaganda route.

## Oranges to England

To the Editor:

The article appearing on page 8 of your issue of the 1st ins., under the heading "Hope for Oranges", is very misleading to such persons as are not acquainted with the facts, and I take special objection to the remark "Great Britain, the great consumer of Spanish Oranges, cut her imports of the fruit to almost nothing last year", because these remarks are in distinct contradiction to the official figures published in the Monthly returns of the Spanish Customs House for July last, which are as follows:

«during the first seven months of this year, Great Britain imported from Spain 271,506 tons of Oranges to the value of over forty-six million pesetas, as against 208,568 tons to the value of forty-three million pesetas last year, for the same period.»

So you will see that official figures show, that notwithstanding the duty and other pretended difficulties as regards the importation of the Spanish Orange, last year's figures were superseded, insofar as Great Britain is concerned at least.

ALBERT V. LOWE

The statement to which Mr. Lowe refers was a reflection of the common impression held by most people about the cause of the super-abundance of oranges in the Spanish market last season. The figures cited will come as a surprise even to orange growers, whose loud outcries were heard at the countless conferences and congresses which were held in an effort to help the industry recover much of its strength. It must be pointed out, nevertheless, that there has been a steady decrease in the consumption of Spanish oranges in Great Britain. The export statistics show that Spain shipped 390,781 tons of the fruit in 1930; 289,981 tons in 1931 and 272,111 tons in 1932.

It may be added that Great Britain is one of Spain's best customers. She is one of the few countries which buys from Spain more than she sells to her, and it is because of this favourable Spanish balance of trade that the British government is pressing for concessions in any trade agreement that may be arranged between the two countries.

We thank Mr. Lowe for calling these statistics to our attention.

#### For Anglo-Spanish Trade

Important matters in Anglo-Spanish trade will be discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the Committee of the British Chamber of Commerce for Spain to be held in the Chamber's headquarters, Rambla de los Estudios, 8, Tuesday evening at 6:15 o'clock. A large attendance of members is expected. President F. B. Newbery will preside.

Mr. A. J. O'Neill, former resident of Barcelona and for the past two years manager of the Valencia office of the Agencia Marítima Hispano-Americana, returned with Mrs. O'Neill to this city this week to make his residence here again. Mr. O'Neill has been transferred to the company's Barcelona office, where he will be associated with Mr. Martin L. Glidewell, who is a brother of Mrs. O'Neill.

Before his departure for Valencia, Mr. O'Neill was in charge of the office maintained here for several years by the American Shipping Board.



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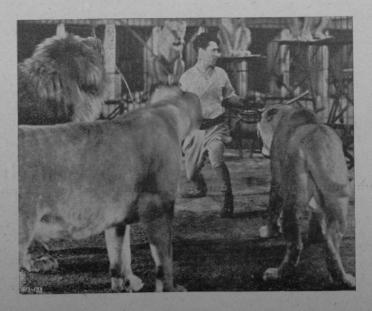
They tell us that what Babe Ruth is to baseball, Bobby Jones to golf, the Smith Brothers to coughs, Clyde Beatty is to lions and tigers. At any rate he must mean a lot to them, for they do as he says.

In "The Big Cage," now on at the Cataluña, Beatty appears in a film which represents largely his

own autobiography, and saves him the necessity for doing any more acting than is implicit in the statement that he is himself. When he first began to train wild animals, he conceived the idea of making lions and tigers work together, a feat which had never before been attempted. He nearly got himself killed doing it, but he succeeded in the end. «The Big Cage» is essentially a record of how.

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COMICO - A. C. y T.

GRAN TEATRE ESPANYOL - Les Germanes Miret.

OLYMPIA - Circus.

#### Cinemas

COLISEUM — Melodia del Arrabal (Spanish). Tomorrow: The King of the Jungle (doubled in Spanish).

URQUINAONA - As You Desire Me (doubled in Spanish).

CAPITOL - Mr. Robinson Crusoe (English). Tomorrow: Les deux orphelines (French).

CATALUÑA — The Big Cage (English).

FANTASIO - Cavalcade (doubled in Spanish).

TIVOLI — I. F. 1 ne répond pas (French). Tomorrow: The Kid from Spain (English).

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## Welcoming an Ambassador Proves a Big Success

The United States Ambassador and Mrs. Claude G. Bowers left for Madrid on Friday evening after four busy days in Barcelona, which both professed themselves delighted to have seen and to which they hope to return. It is one of Mr. Bowers' announced ambitions to do as much travelling in Spain as possible.

On their arrival Tuesday morning they were greeted informally, and a Fox cameraman was on hand to record the event thanks to the initiative of Mr. S. S. Horen. Mr. and Mrs. Bowers then repaired to the home of Consul General and Mrs. Claude I. Dawson, whose guests they were during their stay, and here in the afternoon a reception was held.

Wednesday night a dinner at the Ritz under the auspices of the American Club was the most elaborate affair of the visit. Introduced by Mr. Martin L. Glidewell, president of the Club, the Ambassador addressed the gathering, which comprised most of the Americans in Barcelona and a good many of their friends.

Mr. Bowers spoke with earnestness of the great debt that civilization, and particularly American civilization, owes to Spain and the growing consciousness of the debt in the United States. His reading of this country's history has made him eager to see more of its historical cities, and he spoke of them so enthusiastically that in another man it might have given rise to the suspicion that he was writing a guide book.

He paid tribute to the work done by the American Chamber of Commerce in Spain, and the public services rendered by Mr. Dawson. Towards the very close of his speech he declared, apropos of his wish for increasingly improved Hispano-American relations, that he had it from President Roosevelt's own lips that the American Chief Executive believes it is essential to prosperity and friendship that his country be encouraged to buy from as well as sell to others. It is an attitude which should redound to the benefit of both Spain and the United States when the new commercial treaty is under negotiation.

After the dinner, the party enjoyed a cinema show furnished by the Fox company, a feature of which was the arrival of the Ambassador at the station the day before. The pictures were followed by dancing. It was a sort of triple celebration, as it was in honour of the Ambasador and Columbus Day and was also Mrs. Bowers' birthday.

The rest of the time spent by Mr. and Mrs. Bowers in Barcelona was fully occupied with visits to places of interest—industrial, historical and cultural—and to semi-official calls and functions.

Mr. Bowers' visit was not in any sense official, and he had hoped to stay another day in Barcelona, but a telegram called him back to the capital. Before his departure he was interviewed by several Spanish journalists, and some point was made of the circumstance that this was the first time that an Ambassador of the United States had visited an autonomous Cataluña.

### About Barcelona

André Maurois, whose biographies of Disraeli and Byron are famous, gave a lecture for the Conferencia Club at the Ritz on Monday.

The large audience listened with great interest to Maurois' interesting disclosures as to «How and why one writes a novel,» for he has done that too.

The Second International Salon of Photographic Art which is being held in the show rooms underneath the Plaza Cataluña, is open to the public from 11 to 1 in the morning, and from 5 to 9:30 in the afternoon. Twenty-one countries have exhibited more than 400 photographs, all of them of the highest artistic qualities.

The «gordo» of last weeks's lottery, the sum of 2,000,000 pesetas, has come to Barcelona. The ticket had been bought by a man who keeps a shop in Calle de la Riera Baja and who had resold it in small participations to about 700 of his clients.

The Fomento de Turismo will shortly open an exhibition of Menocan landscapes in their offices in Calle Cortes, with the intention to make the beauties of that island more widely known in Barcelona.

On Monday night a rare and impressing astronomical event could be observed. During several hours a part of the sky was covered with meteors, a rain of stars, that gave the impression of a tremendous fireworks. Many people thought the end of the world had come, but we are assured that the rain of stars was quite harmless and has been observed various times, the most important in 1885.

It is announced that cédulas applied for are now ready to be collected.

The programme of lectures to be given at the Conferencia Club this winter includes, besides many Spanish and Catalan lectures, the names of Giovanni Papini (author of «Gog»), Luigi Pirandello, Georges Duhamel, Claude Farrere, René Benjamin, Jules Romain, Jacques Bainville, Marc Chadourne and Rudolf Kassner, who will speak to the members of the Club on various themes of art and culture.

Robert Nicol, manager for John F. Gehan, general agent of the American Export Lines in Spain and Portugal, was in Genoa this week attending a conference of representatives of steamship companies operating in the Mediterranean. The meeting dealt chiefly with freight rates. Spanish, French and American companies were represented.

Among the English guests at Wednesday's dinner to welcome Ambassador and Mrs. Bowers were Mr. Norman King, the British Consul General, and Mr. Ivan Lake, formerly Vice Consul in Palma, who is visiting Mr. King.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Phillips are back in their Mallorca home, Casa Blanca, Son Ametler. During two months absence they have toured Spain and the Canary Islands, and are enthusiastic about the beauty spots they have visited.

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Nov. 10—KEMMENDINE, from Liverpool and Gibraltar, for Marseilles and the East.
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Nov. 10—EXCALIBUR, from New York and Gibraltar, for Marseilles, and a Mediterranean cruise.

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Wednesday, Oct. 18th, mail closes at the Palma post-office at 8 p.m. for the EMPRESS OF BRITAIN, Cherbourg, due in Quebec Oct. 26th, and the AQUITANIA, Cherbourg, due in New York Oct. 27th.

Thursday, Oct. 19th, mail closes at the Palma-postoffice at 8 p.m. for the EUROPA, Cherbourg, due in New York Oct. 27th.

Sunday, Oct. 22nd, mail closes at the Palma postoffice at 1:30 p.m. for the ILE DE FRANCE, Havre, due in New York Oct. 31st.

Every day except Sunday, mail marked for these ships (or for any others or for the mainland) can be posted at the gangplank of the Barcelona boat up to the moment of sailing at 9 p.m. On Sundays this is impossible since mail leaves Palma for Barcelona by way of Alcudia.

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## Fund Proposed to Aid Destitute Americans

The formation of a small fund, to be raised by popular subscription, for the relief of destitute Americans is being considered by several citizens of the United States here. The idea is similar to that which the Society of British Subjects adopted last winter and according to a formula which has been used all over the world where Americans live.

The fall of the dollar has greatly increased the number of cases deserving of assistance. Many, whose incomes were just adequate to comfortable living abroad, are now unable to meet necessary expenses, and have not enough to get home on either. Those who have no one from whom they can borrow have had to depend on the most casual sort of charity to keep afloat, and their finish under the new, severe law of vagabondage is sure to be either prison or expulsion into France, where there is no more provision for them than here.

A number of Americans from Palma have appealed to the Consulate General in Barcelona, and some of them have been assisted by a relief fund raised by Americans there and administered by the Consul General, Mr. Claude I. Dawson. But that fund was collected for needy cases in Barcelona, and several Americans from Mallorca have suggested that their countrymen here could follow the Barcelona

example.

Mr. Dawson has promised his co-operation, and it is tentatively proposed that a committee of several of the permanent American residents in Palma be organized to administer the fund. Judging by the experience of other American colonies abroad, a sum of 3,000 pesetas would be adequate to care for

emergencies.

Most of those who go broke abroad are able to pay back a small loan after they get home—and most of them do it. As a rule they have part of their passage money, and need to have the rest advanced. In addition, the Consulate General is in emergencies able to get discounts on transatlantic passages. The sum cosidered necessary could be met if a few hundred residents chipped in five or ten pesetas apiece. Once the committee is organized, The Majorca Sun would be glad to publish weekly the list of subscribers.

The value of such a fund is illustrated by the latest case to receive official attention. A young woman, well-dressed and apparently well-educated, went into the Barcelona Consulate to see the Consul General. Asked the nature of her errand, she

said:

"Tell him it's personal and very urgent." She faltered, and then broke down. «I am without money

to live and I need your help!»

She had once, she explained, held a good job and had money in the bank. Both suffered from the depression, and the young woman came to Mallorca because she had heard from a number of people who had never been here that it was miraculously cheap. She had been obliged to draw more heavily on her savings than she intended, and then the de-

preciation of the dollar had overwhelmed her. With her last few pesetas she had bought a deck passage to Barcelona and asked the Consul General's help to secure her return to the United States. Wearily and a bit sadly the Consul to whom she had told her story replied:

«I know that the belief is widespread that the Government will repatriate Americans abroad if they become destitute. Contrary to popular belief, however, the Government furnishes not one dollar for the repatriation of citizens, nor even for their temporary relief from hunger and distress.»

However, in this case, he did arrange that the young woman should raise what she could; the Consulate would secure her reduced fare, and the Barcelona relief fund lend her enough to make up the difference. Such privately organized assistance is usual in most American colonies abroad.

However, there have been so many calls from other places upon the Barcelona fund, that the donors have now decided that they must restrict their help to Americans in that city. According to the Consulate, there are only some thirty-odd American families, including the members of the Consulate, to contribute to such a fund and none of them are rich. Nevertheless, Mr. Dawson reports, nine Americans from Mallorca have been assisted substantially by the Barcelona fund since May, not including the many more who have been temporarily tided over with bed and meal tickets, nor those cases considered undeserving to whom no relief has been extended.

That Americans should organize to help each other is, in the opinion of the Consul General, «the only practical way of meeting a practical problem, which if not promptly met, may result in embarrassment and loss of prestige to the American com-

munity.»

Of course the relief fund would not be designed for indiscriminate borrowing by those who left their purse at home and whose credit may have been exhausted at the local bars. The committee, whose members might as well reconcile themselves from the beginning to the thought that theirs will be largely a thankless task, will be expected to use discretion in assisting the right sort of people. It is proposed to have a committee rather than entrust the business to one man, since the responsibility and the ingratitude are better shared.

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Mr. J. F. Requardt has returned from a trip to Vienna, with side glances at some of the northern Italian cities, but he reached home a week after the welcome party given for him by Mr. and Mrs. Eyre Pinckard. The extra time, no doubt, provided the opportunity for the collection of some more Viennese stories.

Judging by advance bookings, the Mediterraneo Hotel is to be headquarters for the English visitors in Palma this season. The vanguard is already arriving, led by Mr. Evan Talbot, well known on the London Stock Exchange; Mr. Anthony Maxtone-Graham, also of London, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ronald Cot.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newhall have returned to Palma from Naples, where they went to see about having their boat brought over. It was to have been sailed to Palma by Mr. Austin Gilmore and Mr. Charles Marshall, but some sort of engine trouble delayed them, and the boat is still in Naples. Mr. Newhall, who is preparing for an exhibition of his portraits at home this winter, is working in his studio in San Agustín instead of on the boat.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeyler of New York are new guests at the Hotel Alfonso this week. They arrived from Genoa on the Export boat, having reached Italy after an extended tour of Denmark.

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Mr. Eyre Pinckard and Mr. Manuel Texidor spent several days this week in Barcelona on a matter of business and sight-seeing. It is possible that Mr. and Mrs. Pinckard will be leaving for the United States in a month or so.

Joe, whose luck in the big May lottery is still the subject of awed conversation, almost won another big prize in the Wednesday drawing, which was for the fourth biggest prize of the year. He had commissioned a friend to buy him a ticket at the place in Barcelona where he got the big winner six months ago, and was practically counting his winnings until he discovered that the friend had arrived too late to get it.

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Mrs. Eleanor Hinman, who has spent several winters at the Hotel Mediterraneo, is now in Paris for the exhibition of the French Academy of Photographic Arts. Two examples of her work were chosen by the committee, both of them scenes of the Balearic Islands. Charles, of Terreno, who personally superintends all the developing and printing of Mrs. Hinman's photographs, was extremely pleased when he heard the news from Paris.

Count Trueberg, who has spent some time in Palma, left last week for Paris.

Mrs. Morris Morris, who is well known in Palma, where she has spent several seasons, has left her home in Atlanta, Ga., for Shanghai, where she is going to attend her niece's wedding.

On Friday, Dr. and Mrs. Alderson arrived at the Alfonso, where Mr. and Mrs. Steen and Mrs. Robertson, of England, are now staying.
On October twenthy-fourth there will be an in-

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teresting exhibition of architectural plans and houses at the Hotel Alfonso. Sr. José Cart Bati, a well-known architect, and Sr. Vicente Sagreras, who works with him as contractor, will show drawings and the plans for house's built of a new hollow tile. Aside from their artistic value, the houses so constructed have a number of advantages, not the least of which is the speed with which they are constructed. The designers have already built one to serve as model at Portals Nous.

The Princess Bianca Loewenstein-Wertheim, her baby and two nurses staying at Le Chalet in San Agustín. The Princess is the nearest living relative of Leopold, pretender to the throne of Bavaria. Prince Loewenstein-Wertheim left last night for a month in England.

Anne's fashion show will be the occasion of much interest, as rumours have already flown round about her clothes. Mrs. Ronald Goetz, Mrs. Gilmore Hadra, Mrs. Adele Van Rennsalaer and Mrs. Pauline Leser herself will act as mannequins, and so en-thusiastic are the models about the clothes that they are going to wear, that several of them plan to make them permanent acquisitions to their winter wardrobes. Particularly interesting is the collection of smart hats that Mrs. Leser brought with her from Paris, and quite a few of these will make their first appearance at the fashion show.

Col. de Kajaba, who has many friends here, has just been forced to undergo an operation in Paris, which will delay his proposed return to Palma for several weeks.

General and Mrs. Studd, who spent last winter at the Mediterraneo Hotel, are expected back in Palma this week.

Sir Henry Holt, who was a guest at the Mediterràneo, has gone to Calamayor and is staying at the Solarium.



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Captain and Mrs. Barley gave a dinner party on Friday at C'an Anet in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Cheesewright, who have just arrived from England. Their guests were Mrs. Lorna Barley, Mr. and Mrs. Tito Cittardini, Major and Mrs. Meade, Captain and Mrs. Tatton and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Lyons.

Mrs. Lorna Barley is giving up her partnership in Lorna's Bar, on the ground of ill health. She will stay in the Puerto for a few weeks before going to a mountain resort in Austria.

Sr. Anglada, with his wife and child, has returned to the Puerto. He is, of course, one of the best known Spanish painters.

Miss Gertrude Jones has returned from her visit to Palma and Ibiza. She has been joined here by her sister, Nancy, from Munich.

Before H. M. S. Shamrock left the Puerto, her captain, Commander Evelegh, gave Capt. Barley some British bunting. With it Capt. Barley has made a commodore's pennant—he is commodore of the Pollensa Sailing Club—and a flag for the head-quarters of the club. It is interesting to think that

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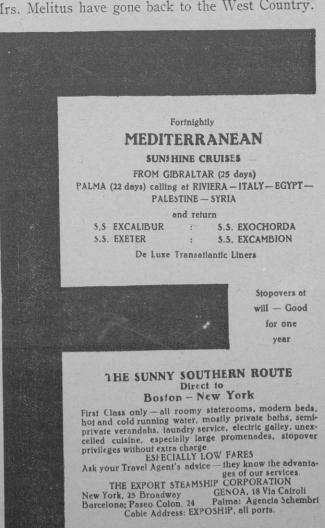
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Among recent visitors to the Puerto has been Mr. George Houghton, of the Continental Daily Mail, who tells this story: A short time ago, he was sitting outside the Dome with some friends, who included Miss Nancy Cunard. At the next table was seated the Paris guillotinist. Mr. Houghton mentioned this to Miss Cunard, who asked for an introduction. The executioner came and sat at their table. After a little he said to Miss Cunard:—
«What a beautiful neck you have»—and at the same time passed his finger over her throat. She fainted.

Among recent departures from the Puerto has been Miss Kemp, who left her beautiful home at Formentor for Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips have also gone to the French capital, as has Miss Mary Coles, the artist, but she is returning.

Major and Mrs. Guthrie have returned to their Tudor house in Warwikshire, and Captain and Mrs. Melitus have gone back to the West Country.



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The long desired broadcasting station for Tarragona became a fact last week. In the presence of the authorities «E. A. J. 33, Radio Tarragona» was inaugurated.

Among the large number of tourists who visited Tarragona last week were Frederick Levihon and Percival C. Tieckner from New York; and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Horne, Mr. W. L. Thomas, Mr. Reiner, Mrs. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Drakeford, Mrs. Bowden, Mrs. Packard, Mr. Parish and Mr. Lammin, all of London. Other visitors from America were Mr. Lawrence Farrel and his mother from Monterey, California, and Miss Hedda Hayes. A party of fifteen tourists from London also stopped to view the city.

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