



CHRISTMAS GAMBLE

Odds are Long in the Biggest Lottery of the Year But Every Spaniard, Rich or Poor, Has His Stake for a Dreamer's Fortune

CHRISTMAS in the north may be linked in popular imagination with snow and holly and Christmas trees and gifts and good cheer, but in Spain the word, so far as it is not of purely religious significance, means the lottery. Hardly a Spaniard alive who does not put his modest bet, from one peseta to thousands, on the chance of winning the great fortune which the State offers in prizes to the holders of lucky numbers.

At this time the sale of tickets is at its height, and from now until the twenty-second, when the draw takes place in Madrid, the country will be far more interested in that event than in politics or crops or business.

Fifteen million pesetas is the object of more than that many million dreams, and the superstitions of the gambler rule the land as the populace earnestly debates the significance of mystic combinations. By actual mathematics the chances are sixty-five thousand to one against the player, and he stands to win seven thousand five hundred for one if he captures the first prize. But there are numerous other prizes which spell fortune, and every tenth gambler will anyway get his money back.

Fair Play

Few, however, are those who play coldly with an eye on mathematical probabilities. The lightning of good fortune strikes most capriciously, and everyone knows glamorous tales of rich and poor who have made millions in the Christmas lottery.

The machinery of the lottery is perhaps the soundest institution in Spain. No hint of corruption or chicanery of any kind has ever touched it. Every man has complete faith in the purity of the draw and the equality of all before the Goddess of Luck. And for at least a day before the draw, an enormous line will be forming to watch the winning numbers drawn from the two big wire cages. The more canny Madrileños spend a day in line in order to sell their advantageous places to lazier but wealthier men.

The spectators finally see a stage containing the two big baskets, and two orphan wards of the State to make the draw. In one of the cages are the thousands of numbers. In the other balls marked with the prizes. Each orphan presses a lever and

from each basket rolls a ball. The first child calls out the amount of the prize; the second reads the corresponding ticket number. There is a sigh, more rarely a cry of joy, and the process is repeated.

Comparatively few are those who hold an entire ticket. That costs 2,000 pesetas, but you can buy an official twentieth for 100, or enjoy a «participación» printed by the holders of tickets, from one peseta up. Most business houses take a ticket, all the workers contributing something. Shops have one to sell to their customers. Postmen sell participations at a slight increase in price, the advance going to charity.

One of the curious dramas of the lottery is the rise and fall of certain vendors. Those officially commissioned by the State are heavily bonded and receive 2 per cent. of the sales on the smaller lotteries and 1 per cent. for the big ones. One of them has a run of luck, selling a string of big prizes, and from all over Spain the buyers come for more tickets. Naturally, the more tickets sold, the better the chances for selling a winner, and the popularity of the shop grows like a snowball rolling down hill.

Such has recently been the fortune of Maria Illa in Barcelona. Starting from very little, this shop last year sold some seven million pesetas worth of tickets, and expects to surpass the record this year. But its predecessor for popularity presents the other side of the picture. Two years ago this place sold four millions; last year under a million.

Government Luck

In every cafe you hear wild and wonderful tales of the Christmas Lottery. All Spain groaned a couple of years ago when the State won the big prize with an unsold ticket. All Spain was envious the year before that when one man set a new record for luck. There are two series of tickets, the prizes and numbers alike in each. This man bought the entire ticket of the same number for both tickets and won—a total of 30,000,000.

More frequently, however, the big prizes are split up among hundreds of small gamblers, and the announcement of the Christmas draw is hailed with joy in hundreds, sometimes thousands of homes.

As the mainstay of Spanish revenue, the lottery

has always been carefully fostered, and other forms of gambling have been forbidden in order to keep the official game strong. But this year, the Director General reports, there has been noticeable competition from the new French lottery. Ticket sales in Spain are far below the same date of last year, and the Director General attributes it to the greater publicity which has been given the French lottery.

He points out that the Spanish is a better investment, offering a greater chance of return on the money, he insists, and only the intense propaganda for the French system could have enticed so many Spaniards away from their native game.

A Copeland Concert

George Copeland, the American pianist, will give a concert Monday, December the 11th at 9.30 in the Teatro Principal for the benefit of the Capella Classica of Mallorca.

The musician will include in his programme some of the works for the interpretation of which he is most famous — including Debussy, Albéniz and other Spanish composers. The first part of his programme will be made up of compositions of Beethoven, Mozart and other classical composers.

Goya Found

The Clinton Lockwoods are rejoicing because their household is once more complete. Goya, the pert young puppy whom they adopted on the very day they went to jail and who shared their confinement with them for a brief while—until he came to the attention of the authorities—wandered away from them three weeks ago somewhere in the vicinity of Inca. All search and queries proved completely unavailing, and they were just beginning to be reconciled to their great loss, when last week on their way to Cala Ratjada they decided to make one last try, and posted notices in an Inca fonda that they would offer a reward for the return of their lost pet.

When they drove back on Wednesday, they found the pup, with wagging tail, was waiting for them. They gladly paid the sum of three pesetas they had promised, feeling a Goya at that price was cheap.

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Roderick Meade Engaged to Miss Jarvis Kerr

The engagement was announced this week of Miss Jarvis Kerr to Mr. Roderick Meade, one of the five Americans whose acquittal by a military court here after a row with the Guardia Civil is being reviewed by the Supreme Court in Madrid.

No definite date has been set for the wedding, but it is understood it will take place soon and in Mallorca. Both parties have sent to the United States for the elaborate family documentation which is a prerequisite of marriage in Spain.

During the seven weeks the five spent in jail, Miss Kerr was their most constant visitor, and managed their personal affairs for them. She also took care of the villa which Mr. Meade shared with Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lockwood and Mr. Walton Blodgett. Both she and her future husband are artists.

English Church Committee

The question of providing a permanent place of worship for the English-speaking Protestant community in Palma was discussed at the first meeting of the Chaplaincy Fund Committee held Wednesday. «At present», the Rev. J. de B. Forbes said afterwards, «the committee is not in a position to make any useful statement on the subject.»

Exchange of the Week

(Madrid Bourse Quotations)

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France Puts Politics in Their Place

IN a world which has gone just a little mad on the subject of political experiment, the phenomenon of French stolid imperviousness to change is strangely slighted. Almost every other country in the world—even England, the very symbol of political changelessness—has ventured into odd, new paths under the stress of recent years.

Not France. She has met crisis after crisis with as much success as anybody else, and has never had to readjust her methods.

This week the French Government gave an almost perfect example of how political revolutions and upheavals may be avoided by clarity of vision. The crisis, if such it can be called, was the ever recurring one of the French budget. Faced with the problem of how to reduce income without reducing expenditures, most countries have gone in for experiments of which we have still to see the results.

Not the French. As they have frequently done in the past, the Government debated the very serious questions of finance to the bitter end, and then, just before the budget must be passed or all ruined, resigned. Hastily reformed under a new head but with practically the same members, the Ministry pushes through a measure which makes concessions to no one and satisfies no one. After all it is recognized as a makeshift.

That was the process which enlivened Paris this week. It is the process by which France has been governed ever since the peace. It has worked just as well as the more ambitious efforts of more idealistic nations.

While the Cat's Away

The increasing difficulties with which all the first class powers are contending seems to be making for a more genuine independence of small nations than they are accustomed to enjoying. While the important capitals are pretty thoroughly preoccupied with domestic problems and their relations

with each other, the lesser lights have a comparatively free hand to arrange their own affairs.

In Europe they are doing it, and the news this week is that even the Balkans are beginning to exhibit an enlightened understanding of their own interests. This was impossible while larger powers were playing them off against each other and against the larger power's rivals.

Oriental Peculiarity

The week's gesture towards disarmament came from a quite unlikely source, or so it would seem on the face of it. Japan announces that, after having spent last year in the role (given her by those who did not understand, she insists) of a belligerent, she is going to have some proposals for naval limitation which will be of great interest to England and America.

Until the actual proposals are made, no one can tell to what an extent Tokio has redeemed her reputation. And, of course, one must bear in mind that the naval agreement of Washington expires soon, and none of the signatories—Japan perhaps least of all—can afford not to renew it.

However, it is pleasant to contemplate the readmission of a penitent into the society of nations, even though there is nothing particularly penitential about the Japanese attitude. The hints at naval limitation are being considered.

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By Mildred Willis Harris

To travellers in foreign lands letters from home assume a vast importance, and they are apt to harbour a suspicion that their mail sometimes goes astray due to the negligence of the Post Office.

The postal authorities in Palma, making every effort to deliver, sometimes meet problems that a combined handwriting expert, seer and crystal gazer could not solve. There is one letter being held, for instance, because it is addressed to Mr. So-and-So, Palma, Clima Ideal, which is undoubtedly an answer to a letter post marked here.

Another, bearing an Italian stamp, no doubt comes from an impassioned lover, because it is addressed to «Mi carrissima bambina, belliza Signorita So-an-So, Mallorca.» It would, we think, take something of an egotist to claim this letter.

A third one, with correct address, was returned to the office by a postman who performed his routine duties absent-mindedly. Pencilled in one corner was his report for non-delivery... «Dead, without leaving new address.»

Anticlimax

By and large, the Palma strike was a dismal failure for those who anticipated excitement. There were no bloody riots, no pitched battles in the street. There was not even a parade with bands and placards. Despite the importation of efficient agitators; despite the mounted Guardia Civil who sat, like living statues at strategic points throughout the city; despite the rumours and excitement in the air, during the ten days of the strike nothing of real dramatic interest happened.

Two incidents which might have led to some excitement proved to be only false alarms. The wrecking of the hotel bus, which many took to be the opening gun in a campaign of terror, was no more than an act of spite for the discharge of an employee. The small riot in the Calle San Miguel damaged two leaders of the strikers and took some others out of circulation, but brought no vengeful repercussions in its wake.

A plethora of men in uniform, from decorative Guardia Civil to humble, khaki-clad soldiers, gave things a festive, carnivalian air but many foreign visitors, misjudging the mild temper of the Mallorquins, stayed home behind closed doors and missed the spectacle. This may have been less from a lack of courage than because the transportation problem offered difficulties.

Aside from having to stay home, the greatest hardship that the people of the city suffered was lack of bread and daily papers... a deprivation that they managed to survive. As compensation they were offered tram rides free as soon as soldiers could be trained to act as motormen. More Mallorquins than foreigners availed themselves of this gratuity, and families with a dozen children could be observed having the outing of their lives.

The idle citizens who did not spend their time pushing and shoving to get close enough to read the proclamation of the Governor Civil forbidding crowds to gather in the streets, got on their wheels with rods and basket lunches and went forth to fish, so that the greatest sufferers of the Big Strike, aside from shops and cinemas which lost trade, were probably the edible but guiltless fishes.

Faith

We heard not long ago about a man who sold his car to his near neighbour, gave his dog to friends and left the Island. Unfortunately, the friends live where the car passes every day, and scarce a day goes by without the dog hearing the car and dashing after it. He follows it into the country with his joyous barks, believing, despite every disappointment, that he will find his master when it stops.

Collection

LAST Saturday, a firm believer in the theory that the piper need not be paid was celebrating at a local night club. Having achieved a state of irresponsibility, he found the sound of breaking glasses pleasant.

Two Guardias de Asalto were called in. Their smasher and his friends became abject and cringing. The Guardias curtly ordered them to pay their bill or go to jail.

Though more than anxious to avoid this climax to a jolly party, the merry makers then confessed that their pooled resources would not meet the check, which covered drinks consumed and a fair charge for broken glasses. That did not stop the Guardias. Urgently they ushered the erstwhile celebrants toward the door, despite the blubbering that marked their protests. Just as they reached the exit, though, a fellow-countryman succumbed to an attack of philanthropy and paid their bill.

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Husband's Death in Accident Leads Mrs. Gordon Stanton to Kill Herself in Plane

Tragedy was waiting for Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Stanton on their return from their honeymoon, part of which had been spent in Palma, to the United States recently. For in Jacksonville, the home of Mrs. Stanton's parents, the young man was killed in a motor car accident, and shortly afterwards his widow flew straight out to sea with only a few hours supply of gasoline, to die in the plane which had provided her with some of the most exhilarating moments of her life.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Stanton were keenly interested in aviation, and both were skillful pilots. During their stay in Palma they followed the progress of attempts to launch air services here, and they had studied Continental aviation.

They were married late in February, and after some months in Europe returned to the United States at the end of the summer. They had been home only a short time when Mr. Stanton's car overturned in a ditch at the road side while he was driving alone near the city. An investigation of the accident later led to the belief that the steering gear went wrong, causing the driver to lose control of his car.

He was picked up and rushed to the nearest hospital, but died within a few hours.

Mrs. Stanton, who was an illustrator as well as a flyer, apparently made careful arrangements to die soon after him. She took in her plane only

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enough gasoline to last some four hours at most, and left behind her notes requesting that no search be made for her body since that would only expose others to the danger of accidents.

These arrangements made, she took off from the field and after circling once or twice, headed straight out over the Atlantic. The plane, scarcely watched, was soon out of sight and must have crashed into the sea many miles from land.

Mr. Stanton was well known in Florida as a sportsman as well as an aviator. His wife was remarkably versatile. She was an expert marksman, the first woman in her State to secure a pilot's license and at the same time an illustrator of some reputation. Her latest book appeared just before her death, and friends in Mallorca received inscribed copies of it at the same time that they heard of the suicide.

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Portrait of a Consul

LIEUTENANT Com. Alan Hillgarth, British Vice Consul in Mallorca, presents a suave and polished surface to the world... a surface richly coloured by his personality and ornamented by both wit and charm, but still a surface that can no more easily be penetrated than a billiard ball. Dark, slim, erect in carriage, 35, his face at first glance seems both young and boyish. But a second look reveals a mask-like quality. Trained to be unrevealing, his face gives no clue to his thoughts, and even less to his emotions. His poise and his assurance are unshakable... a challenge to break through the armour and to find the weakness of Achilles' heel. Socially he can be charming, but the naval officer's stern tones come out the moment that he gives an order. Although physically he is restless, his mind is constantly under control. He neither says nor does the smallest thing without a reason. In an emergency he would not lose his head. He would be cool, relentless, domineering. Upon the whole, his rank confirms his birthright. He was born a commander.

Strike Breaking

Son of a Harley Street specialist, he received the usual education of a British Naval Officer, entered the Royal College of Osborne at the age of twelve, then the Royal College of Dartmouth, and later went on to King's College, Cambridge, upon special leave. During the war, and for five years afterward, he served with different ranks aboard the battleships H. M. S. Bulwark, Barham, and Hannibal; the battle cruiser H. M. S. Princess Royal; and the cruisers H. M. S. Basshante, Ceres and Vindictive, as well as various destroyers. He took part in the defense of the Suez Canal, the two battles of Heligoland and the attack upon the Dardanelles. The ships that he was in were twice torpedoed, and he was wounded twice. He served in Southern Russia and the Caucasus.

During the general strike in 1926, he volunteered as Station Master in the Baker Street Station, and did his part to keep the arteries of transportation open. To his amusement, on the staff of volunteers who served with him were several striking motormen and drivers.

Having observed much which interested him, he wanted to put his impressions into books. Because the Navy gave him little leisure, and, too, because he wanted to go places where the Navy did not go, he asked to be placed on the retired list. Forthwith, he set out upon his travels. Having already seen most of Europe, he visited the United States from Florida to Salt Lake City. He went to South America to learn at first hand what it was like to prospect in wild places for gold mines. He found that although there was gold aplenty in the mountains, the transportation problems offered by a five days trip on mule back made mining it impractical. He found good evidence of old gold workings in that section, and skulls and ornaments of a past civilization that quickened his imagination. But the chief treasure that he brought back from the Andes was the material for *Black Mountain*—a thoughtful and intelligently written book that deals with the condition of the Indians.

The land boom in Florida gave him material of a quite different sort which he used in a book, called in America *What Price Paradise*, and published in



Alan Hillgarth

England under the title *Change for Heaven*. The frenzied madness of the people who, within a few days climbed from poverty to riches, appealed to his dramatic instinct; at the same time their curious reactions to great wealth provoked him to satire.

The Making of a Consul

Having collected material enough for several books, he accepted the honorary post of Vice Consul in Mallorca a year ago. He has been in Spain off and on for some six years, and finds Mallorca charming, restful, and an ideal place to write. To prove his feeling for the Island, he has bought a house—an ancient finca at Son Torrella de Santa María, in which no one has lived for the last two hundred years except the tenant farmers. This he has modernized enough for comfort, but not enough to change the oldworld atmosphere. The powder closets in the bedrooms, where once the gentlemen and ladies with their white perukes retired to have their whiteness burnished without the discomfort of powder flying through the rooms, he has retained, and a particularly lovely cloistered patio he has not touched.

He came to Mallorca two years ago, aboard his yacht, *Blue Water*, a converted Dutch pilot schooner built of steel, in which he sailed in English, French and Spanish waters.

Commander Hillgarth is married to a daughter of the late Lord Burghclere, and is the father of a four year old son.



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Catalan Will Make Study of American Wine Market

That Catalan wine producers and exporters regard the United States as a rich permanent market for their products was indicated this week by the proposed visit to America of Sr. Luis Mestres y Capdevila, a wine merchant of Tarragona, who plans to spend a year in the United States making a detailed study of the special characteristics and requirements of the American market.

Sr. Mestres, it has been made plain in the Generalitat, is making the journey in a strictly private capacity for his own interests, but he carries a letter of introduction from the Counsellor of the Generalitat's department of agriculture and economy, Sr. Ventosa Roig. The Catalan government has not officially commissioned any delegate to travel or study on its behalf but Sr. Ventosa Roig has asked that facilities be extended by officials to Sr. Mestres y Capdevila in making his survey and analysis of the American field for Catalan wines.

Sr. Mestres y Capdevila plans to sail for America soon. He has declared he will investigate the analyses to which Catalan wines are subjected abroad in order that he may determine the best wines for American use. He expects also to visit California and study wine production there.

Wine Interests Press for U. S. Trade Treaty as Prohibition Nears End But Embargo Still Holds

Spanish businessman and trade associations, especially in the wine, liquor and allied industries, are now exerting strong pressure upon the government in Madrid for the rapid negotiation of a trade treaty with the United States, in order that Spanish exporters may take quick advantage of the full repeal of Prohibition which take place December 7th.

In spite of the repeal the rich American market is still barred to Spanish wines by reason of the general wine embargo decreed by the United States recently. Spanish businessmen believe that the import restrictions are being enforced in order to acquire concessions for American products abroad. For this reason they feel that a trade pact providing for reciprocal advantages to products of Spain and the United States should be negotiated immediately.

Wine interests as well as steamship companies have already sent telegrams to the Department of State in Madrid asking for quick action, and this week commercial and industrial concerns in Barcelona, which believe that prosperity in the wine trade will have a reflection in all other Spanish business, appealed to the Fomento de Trabajo Nacional here to lend its powerful support to their demands for a trade agreement.

The Run-Off Election

Of the 473 candidates for the Cortes, 344 are now definitely elected, a few results are still outstanding and 104 will be elected today in the run-off election. Of the 344, 160 belong to the right, 127 to the centre and 57 to the left parties. The new Cortes will assemble on December 8th.

Aid for Tenants in Mallorca

The Asociación de Inquilinos de Palma — the Society of Renters — was created in 1921 with the approval of the Spanish authorities to defend the interests of those who rent their homes from the unjust demands of landlords.

There are some 3,000 members of the Association, of which about 300 are foreigners who live in Palma. Membership fees are based upon the rental paid by members — those who pay more than 25 pesetas monthly for their houses pay five pesetas to join and dues of fifty centimos a month. Those whose rent is under 25 pesetas pay 2.50 to join and the same dues monthly.

For this, the Association acts as mediator in any dispute between tenant and proprietor, and should the matter prove difficult to settle, and the proprietor insist on what the Association holds to be unfair, lawyers will handle member's cases in the courts without charge to the tenant.

The President of the Association is Don Nicolas Brondo, who is the editor of «El Día», and the lawyers at the disposal of the Association include such eminent attorneys as Señor Ramallo y Thomas. The offices are at 19 Calle Jaime II, on the second floor, and they are open daily from ten o'clock till one. They give advice to tenants, even though they may not be included in their membership.

Tea in Town

After extensive alterations, the English and American Shop, which the Misses Michaud started last year, will open the tea room which Palma has been promised for a couple of months. The new place is located below the present quarters of the shop in the Calle Pelaires.

The tea room decorations are the work of Don Carlos A. Castellanas, a Uruguayan artist who has lived in Mallorca for several years. The general scheme is worked out in yellow with Mallorquin figures in colours. A special ventilating system has been established.

The Misses Michaud will do the cooking for the tea room as well as for the shop; the same sort of cakes, etc., will be served. It is their intention to have a charge of 75 centimos for tea alone and charge for cakes, etc., according to the amount consumed rather than have a fixed charge to include everything.

Tennis

The Tennis Championships of Cataluña, that are being held at the Turó Club, advanced rapidly owing to the cool but fine weather last week. In the second and third categories nothing surprising happened, but in the first the young player of the Barcelona Lawn Tennis Club, J. B. Blanc was unexpectedly victorious over Garriga-Nogués, who is classed second on the list of Catalan players, 6-4, 3-6, 6-0, 1-6, 6-4. Miss Queeney Witty was beaten in the first category event by Mademoiselle Chailly, but she defeated Srta. Gamboa in the second category.

Palma Tournament

The Palma tournament is waiting the return of Mr. Noble Clay from Holland, where he has gone on a brief business trip.

Opening of a Season of Fun and Fiesta

THE winter festival season is beginning in Spain after a quiet month, and from now on works up through a crescendo of celebrations until the grand climax of Carnival.

On the fourth Sunday before Christmas, Barcelona used to celebrate the Crusade Bull, by which the Pope had bestowed special privileges connected with fasting on those who lent their financial help to the enterprise, with a procession that started at Santa María de Mar and passing through Calle de la Argentería, Plaza del Angel and Calle del Obispo, went to the Cathedral and thence back again the same way. The Bishop used to join it when it passed by his palace. The banner of the Holy Crusade was carried in front of this procession by a priest who was thought worthy of this special honour.

A feast of much greater popularity was, and still is, the day of the Immaculate Conception of Our Virgin, on Dec. 8th. It is considered the first festival of Christmas time, on which the well-to-do people of Barcelona inaugurated the season of eating *turrón* and cakes. The sellers of those sweets, therefore, started to put up their stands on this day in the entrances of houses around the Cathedral. The young people of both sexes wore their new Christmas dresses to church in the morning and afterwards went for a walk on the breakwater or on the Ramblas to be duly admired by their friends and admirers.

The Immaculate Virgin is the Patron Saint of all those artisans who use paste in the making of their goods; for instance, bakers; pastry cooks; candlestick makers; manufacturers of macaroni and druggists; all people who can easily adulterate their products with ingredients of poor quality. The patronage of the Immaculate Virgin was considered as a sort of symbol for the purity of their goods and She was supposed to watch that no inferior material was employed. On that day the bread used to be made by the brethren of a convent who had special permission to cater to the demands of the town, while the trade itself celebrated the holiday. All the mentioned guilds had chapels in their guild halls in which the image of the Virgin was venerated on this day. They used to decorate it with products of their trade and also a small lemon, the fruit which, as is popularly believed, no manipulation can diminish in quality.

When Barcelona once suffered from a terrible plague, the town implored the Virgin for help. The prayer was heard and the epidemic stopped suddenly. Out of gratitude the Council of the Hundred declared the Immaculate Virgin one of the patron saints of Barcelona and Her image in the Cathedral—entering through the main door, the first on the right—was presented with the keys of the town which it is still holding in its hands. Since then the image is called «The Virgin of the Keys».

December 13th is consecrated to Santa Lucía, the patron saint of all those who make a living out of needle work. The people ascribe to her special

powers over eyesight, and those who suffer from ocular diseases pray to her on this day to be relieved of their ailments. The women who live by sewing know that their eyes are in danger and implore the Saint to keep them in good health. Until about a century ago all tailors and other needle workers celebrated the day with a holiday, a custom which observed on another day, St. Catherine, is still alive in Paris where the *midinettes* parade the boulevards and elect their queen. The revival of the custom in Barcelona in recent years is not based on the old Catalan tradition, but is copied from the French custom. However, the tradition is still alive in a few Catalan villages, where the girls instead of going to school on this day, walk about in the streets singing a song in honour of St. Lucia, a custom that implies that they are taught more sewing at school than reading and writing.

In the chapel of Bishop Arnau de Gurb, by the Cathedral—it is said that this chapel has the oldest bell in Barcelona, given to it by St. Bernard of Nola—the Saint is celebrated with a special service during which a relic is passed over the eyes of all those who believe in the Saint's healing powers. Formerly there appeared as well a basin of holy water in that chapel, with which the people who suffered from diseases used to moisten their eyes. This custom was stopped, however, because too many people who were only a bit shortsighted caught infections. Outside the chapel all the blind beggars of Barcelona and the surrounding district used to sit on chairs in long rows all that day, asking the visitors to St. Lucia's altar for alms. They used to collect quite a bit of money in those times, because many people who asked the Saint for a favour, would promise to distribute alms among all the blind.

The young students celebrated St. Lucia Day in a more wordly fashion by playing tricks on harmless people. One of their most famous games was to kneel behind an old woman in church and, while she was saying her prayer, to sew the border of her dress to her waist, so that when she got up she displayed all her underclothes to the public eye. Another trick was to tie the table and parasol of a chestnut vendor to a cart that was standing by the curbstone, so that when the cart started moving the poor woman had her whole shop drawn away from her.

The authorities never interfered with their childish games, until one day some students made a grave mistake. They tied a string over a dark street and with it knocked down the hats of all the passers-by. So far, so good. But then some *guardias* happened to pass that way in their gala uniforms, and when their helmets were knocked into the mud, a stop was put to the whole fun for ever.

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Madrid Report

Ambassador Urges Americans Abroad to Support President

STRENGTHENING of trade relations between the United States and Spain was discussed at the fall reunion of the American Chamber of Commerce in Spain Tuesday, which was attended by members of the American colony and representatives of the wine and olive oil producers in Spain. The principal speakers were United States Ambassador Claude G. Bowers, Don Antonio Royo Villanova, Acting Commercial Attaché Julian C. Greenup, Don Julio Tarin, representing the wine growers, and Don Rafael Salgado, president of the Spanish Chamber of Commerce, representing the olive oil interests.

Ambassador Bowers took occasion to add his voice to the open forum on the American recovery plan that seems to be under way in the United States, making a strong plea to Americans abroad to cooperate with the President's undertaking.

«The N. R. A. came out of necessity,» he said, «It was based on the realization that reframing was necessary to the rehabilitation and even the preservation of the economic life of the nation. Millions more in work, millions more in wages, millions more in trade, millions more in revenue—that is the vindication of the N. R. A.

«But because prosperity has not been completely restored in five months after the most sinister economic collapse in modern history, we are again hearing the critics and the croakers.

«Heaven help us if we permit the critics and the croakers to undermine the one and only plan submitted for a sane rehabilitation of American business, and turn for guidance to the prophets of pessimism and paralysis who for five years sat idly twirling their thumbs and stupidly waiting like Micawber for something to turn up.»

Señor Royo Villanova, one of the leaders of the Agrarian Party, who will figure prominently in politics in the future, expressed a hope that business relations between the two countries will be strengthened, but declared that he thought of the United States not as a commercial entity, but rather as a civilization.

Figures showing increased trade between the United States and Spain during September were contained in Mr. Greenup's address, which was read, since he himself was unable to attend because of sickness. Mr. Greenup advocated the advertising of Spanish products in the United States, like American products are advertised here.

Señor Salgado proposed the organization of a «Cá-

mara de Compensación de Mercaderías» or some other such body to adjust trade relations between the two countries. Discussing Spanish olive oil, he said the most important competition was provided by seed oils and other cheaper oils.

Sr. Tarin described a vast propaganda campaign in the United States begun by the Instituto Nacional de Vino. «In quality and price the wines and liquors of Spain can compete favourably with those of any nation in the world,» he declared.

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Mr. Courtney Forbes, Counsellor at the British Embassy, who has been named Minister Plenipotentiary to Peru and Ecuador, and Douglas Home, former British consular agent in Abyssinia, were the guests of honour at the November meeting of the British Luncheon Club. Mr. Forbes told his friends «adiós,» and Mr. Home talked about Abyssinia. The Rev. Herbert Pentin, chaplain of the British Embassy Church, also spoke. Mr. W. H. Welton presided.

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Mr. J. Leche, until recently first secretary at the British Embassy, left last week for Buenos Aires, where he will assume a new Embassy post.

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Don Mario Garcia Kohly, Jr., son of the former Cuban Ambassador in Madrid, and Mrs. Garcia Kohly, who is American, sailed last week for New York, from where they will proceed to Havana.

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What to Do and Where to Go in Barcelona

Theatres

LICEO OPERA — This afternoon: *Aida* (Verdi).
 Tuesday: *Tsar Saltan*.
 ROMEA — December 7th: *El Divino Impaciente*.
 BARCELONA — *Los Hermanos Karamazoff*.
 NOVEDADES — *El Hermano Lobo*.
 GRAN TEATRE ESPANYOL — *Lladre, Que M'has Dat?*
 NUEVO — Marcos Redondo in various zarzuelas.
 COMICO — *Con el Pelo Suelto*.
 APOLO — Hungarian - Indian Revue.
 OLYMPIA — Circus.

Cinemas

COLISEUM — *Lady and Gent* (English). Tomorrow:
Passionément (French).
 URQUINAONA — *The Mystery of the Wax Museum*
 (English, in technicolour).
 FANTASIO — *Embrassement* (French).
 FEMINA — *One Way Passage* and *You Said a Mouthful*
 (both in English).
 Wednesday: *Sa Meilleure Cliente* (French).
 TIVOLI — *Yo y la Emperatriz* (French).
 End of the week: *Mirages de Paris* (French).
 CAPITOL — *Rome Express* (English). Thursday: *Théo-*
dore et Cie. (French).
 CATALUÑA — *No Dejes la Puerta Abierta* (Spanish).
 End of the week: *Boliche* (Spanish).
 KURSAAL — *The Kid from Spain* (English).
 Tomorrow: *Susana tiene un Secreto* (Spanish).
 PATHE PALACE and EXCELSIOR — *Les Femmes de*
chez Maxims (French).
 Tomorrow: *The Most Dangerous Game* and *American*
Bluff (both English).
 GOYA — *Cavalcade* (English).
 AVENIDA — *Doaumont* (French).
 PUBLI — News reels and reportages.
 ACTUALIDADES — News reels and reportages.

Amusements

Tennis — Play for the championships of Cataluña at the
 Turó Tennis Club, off Muntaner.
 Yachting — Winter Cup off the Club Náutico in the port.
 Juanito el Dorado and Casa Manquet — Saturday nights:
 Flamenco singing (cante jondo) and dancing.
 Fronton Novedades — The Spanish Ball Game *pelota vasca*
 or *jai alai* (pala variety played with a bat), daily at
 4:15 and 10:15 p.m.
 Fronton Principal Palace — The same game but *cesta*
 variety, played with a basket at the same hours.
 Any of the parks, Sunday mornings, Sardanas are danced
 to the appropriate *cobla* or band.

Radio

Features of the week to be broadcasted from the Cata-
 lan station EAJ 15 will be as follows:
 Sunday — 9 p.m. the Quartet Iberica. 10 p.m. the
 pianist Jean Albert.
 Monday — 11 p.m. hour dedicated to Catalans abroad.
 Concert by the Orfeo Catala directed by Millet.
 Tuesday — 10 p.m., recital by the pianist Margarita
 Chala.
 Wednesday — 9 p.m. Sardanas by the Cobla Barcelona.
 10 p.m. operatic selections sung by Teresa Gonzalez.
 Thursday — 10:30 p.m. the Sextet Toldrá from the
 Granja Royal.
 Saturday — 10:10 p.m., concert by the Trio Femení.

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Mr. G. Kingdon will give a course of lectures
 on English Journalism at the London Club on the
 5th, 7th and 12th of December



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The New Films

While most of the film companies are holding
 back their crack productions until after the transport
 strike, Warner Bros. are showing one of their finest
 productions at the Urquinaona now. *The Mystery*
of the Wax Museum is the first big film done entire-
 ly in Technicolor, a technique that so far offered
 too many difficulties to result in a flawless picture.
 In some ways, the film resembles *Dr. X*. Well-
 sustained suspense, excitement and laughs have
 been given just the proper blend, and the sketchy
 romance is handled for fun rather than sentiment.
 Lionel Atwill's performance as the mad Ivan Igor
 is a personal triumph for this actor, a master por-
 trayal of an exotic personality.

Edwin Maxwell is the villain of the piece and the
 story presents him and Atwill as partners in a
 London wax museum, which has fallen on hard
 times and which Maxwell wants to burn to collect
 the insurance. The partners quarrel and Maxwell
 fires the museum leaving Atwill behind, uncon-
 sciously, in the flames. Twelve years later Atwill
 is opening the same kind of museum in New York
 and, now horribly disfigured and quite insane, he
 has taken to stealing human bodies. Cooking them
 in wax he creates his life-like figures. He does not
 stop at murder either to get the subjects he wants,
 and a mysteriously missing judge turns up in the
 museum as Voltaire.

The body of a brunette beauty is stolen from the
 morgue to provide a Joan of Arc, and then Glenda
 Farrell turns detective and uncovers the strange
 goings on in the basement of the museum. Fay
 Wray, the sweetheart of a young sculpturing
 student in the museum, has a narrow and blood-
 chilling escape from being converted into a waxen
 Marie Antoinette by the mad modeler, but finally
 succeeds in carrying off her romance to a happy
 end.

Golf Notes

The New Barcelona Golf Club has scheduled an
 18 hole handicap medal play to be played today
 on its links at San Cugat. Those members who
 wish to take part in the competition may register
 their entries until 10 o'clock this morning.

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The Golf Championships of Cataluña, a 72 hole
 Medal play, will be played at San Cugat on the 10th
 and 17th of this month. Inscriptions should be
 filed at the Club until 6 P. M. on Saturday Dec. 9th.
 On the 10th there will also be disputed prizes under
 handicap.

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The third and last event of the yachting races for
 the Winter Cup will take place today at 3:30 p. m.
 off the Club Náutico de Barcelona in the port. The
 two yachts owned by English people, Constance of
 Mr. Hugo and Mary of Mr. Fittock are, so far,
 placed fourth and seventh.

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About Barcelona

Mr. J. Parsons, the patriarch of Barcelona's British colony, is making preparations for his bi-yearly visit to New Zealand, his native heath. He will sail from Southampton for Wellington on the fourteenth of December, and plans to return to Barcelona in April.

The last couple of weeks before his departure have been considerably saddened for Mr. Parsons by the fact that Anna, who has been in his household for nearly twenty-five years, became mentally deranged the other day and had to be sent to an hospital for observation.

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American Consul Richard F. Boyce, and his family, will sail from Marseilles on Tuesday for his new post in Yokohama.

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The progressive dinner which started at the Hotel Colon with cocktails and wound up at the home of Mrs. G. Noble with dancing and bridge, was attended by twenty-two members of the younger set, and was acclaimed an outstanding success.

The idea originated with the Misses Bunty Noble and Effie Parsons. The men provided the aperitifs at the Colon. The fish course, which was supplied by Mrs. Gagnon, Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Currell, was eaten at the home of the latter, after which the group went on to the house of Mr. F. Parsons and the Misses Parsons for the meat. Miss Sauvalle served the dessert course at her home, aided by Mrs. Jones. Then came coffee and liquors which were contributed by Mr. Brown and Mrs. Noble at her home, and it was there that the gaiety continued till about 2 a. m.

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The December meeting of the board of directors of the American Chamber of Commerce for Spain will be held Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the chamber's headquarters, Rambla de los Estudios, 8. The nominating committee will report on the candidates for office who are to be elected in January.

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After an absence of two months, spent in the United States, Mr. Basil A. Wise, head of the Coca Cola Company here and treasurer of the American Chamber of Commerce for Spain, will return to Barcelona today.

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«Farmacia» is the subject of the talk which Dr. Salvador Tayá will give at the regular weekly luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club to be held in the Hotel Ritz, Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

The story of the organization of a new Rotary Club in Las Palmas, Canarias, was told by Sr. Kappeyne at last week's meeting. Other speakers were Sr. Francisco Bastos and Sr. Juan Estelrich, two members of the local club who were elected to the Cortes in the last election. Captain Francis W. Richardson of the SS. West Gambo and Captain J. F. Kleishman of the SS. Carlton, attended the meeting as the guests of Mr. Martin L. Glidewell.

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Seventeen nations have announced their participation in the Third International Competition of Amateur Cinema, among them Spain. The Centre Excursionista de Catalunya has selected six films

Tarragona Notes

Visitors to Tarragona this week included the German Ambassador at Madrid, Herr Edward Hoffman, and his family; Mr. and Mrs. John Busch of London; and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Holaley of New York.

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For the fourth time this city won the single sculls race in the Spanish championship competition for outriggers and sculls, when Sr. José Prat took first place in the races held in Barcelona last Sunday morning. Sr. Prat's time for the 2,000 meters was 9 min. 11 sec.

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The removal of antiquities found at the Poblet Monastery from the Tarragona Museum of Archaeology back to the Monastery is creating a great deal of opposition.

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Els Descuidats is planning a dance for December 13th, Fiesta of Santa Lucía, patron of the modistes.

that will be sent up to Paris where the competition will take place on the 8th, 9th and 10th of Dec. Those films are: *Bees* by Joan Prats, *Rhythm of a Day* by Domingo Giménez, *Down the River* by Isidre Socias, *Civic Rhapsody* by Francesc Gibert and two by Delmier de Caralt, *Montserrat* and *The Mechanical Reporter*.

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Mr. Cope of Rootes Ltd., London, spent last week in Barcelona. He is very hopeful of the future of the British Motor Trade in Spain, now that it is understood the Spanish Government will grant British cars the same preferential treatment as French.

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On the occasion of his birthday on Tuesday, Mr. Freddy Witty gave a party at his apartment on Muntaner.

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The marriage of Mr. R. L. Dixon, the artist, to Miss Cordelia E. Mills, has been announced at the British Consulate. The wedding will probably take place towards the middle of the month.

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The English yacht Marycort arrived in port from Lisboa, and her owner, Mr. James E. Cort, expects to stay the winter in Barcelona.

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Archdeacon Buckton expects to arrive in Barcelona on Friday next and he will preach in the Church on the following Sunday. On Friday, Mr. Parsons will give a tea at the British Club, so that those interested in the church can meet Mr. and Mrs. Buckton.

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Today, Sunday, the Harvest Thanksgiving services will be held in the English Church. At the same time the American Thanksgiving day will be celebrated and Consul General Claude I. Dawson will read Mr. Roosevelt's proclamation on that occasion. The Rev. Dr. Jones will preach the sermon and the fruit and flowers will afterwards be taken to the British Hospital.

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Consul General and Mrs. King held an at home at their house in Sarriá on Thursday. Mr. King is now the doyen of the consular corps in Barcelona.

The Romance of Spain's Own Roman Empress

THE last Roman Emperor worthy to bear that great name was a Spaniard, Theodosius the Great. A considerable portion of his life was spent in his native country, and some of his children were born there.

At the end of the fourth century, unfortunately, it was not thought important to record the exact birth of female infants, so there is no way of knowing the place and date of birth of the most interesting of his children, Gala Placidia, although she so marked her times with her personality that her death in 450 is recorded with regret and ceremony, and her tomb in Ravenna is one of the world's architectural gems.

She grew up in the utmost luxury, the pet of her great father, noted equally for amiability, intelligence and beauty, and when she was of marriageable age, two of the most noted generals of the time were rivals for her hand. Discreet beyond her years, she showed no preference either for the Goth Ataulf, whose sister had married his king, Alaric, or for the Roman patrician Constantius, chieftain of the classic empire. Before a decision was reached, her father died, and Alaric swept away everything but life and a shadow of authority from her weakling brother Honorius, taking Gala Placidia as the most prized booty of his conquest. Her chains were of gold, but she was a slave as well as a hostage.

Ataulf was a fighter as well as a lover. Allegiances were strangely divided in those days, and he had the choice of staying with his own people and perhaps being given an unwilling bride as a prize of war or of supporting the lazy and cowardly Honorius.

He chose the more manly way, rallied his own troops and the remnants of the Romans, and made war on his brother-in-law. Not only did he rout Alaric and win freedom for his royal slave, but he extended his conquests to include Aquitaine, before returning triumphantly to the emperor. It was not long then until Rome saw a royal wedding. Gala Placidia had made her choice, and her brave Goth was able to place a crown on her head and bring her to Barcelona as queen of all Rome's western domains. In the little old city of which one may still find traces in the Barrio Gótico, she held her court. In the Plaza Nueva one sees the great gate where her litter was carried when she went out sometimes into the country. Where now one stands back against the wall to let a modern taxi pass, fifteen hundred years ago the Barcelonenses stood back and craned their necks to get a glimpse of royal beauty carried by on the shoulders of her bearers.

They lived a happy life in Barcelona for four years. Then the gentler manners which Ataulf had learned from his lady brought him into cruel disfavour with his own people. Sigeric, brutal and

greedy, sent two slaves to assassinate the ruler. They found him unarmed, and Gala Placidia was again cast down from the eminence of a court into slavery. This time there were no chains of gold. Sigeric murdered her children, and of their mother he made a public spectacle. Dressed in her royal garments, the better to display her beauty, she was forced to walk before the horse of her master through the very gate that had seen her glory, and for twelve miles the country people rushed to the roadside to see the spectacle.

For only one week did Sigeric enjoy his power. He had taught his followers too well that kings are mortal, and he felt the bite of a knife in the soft flesh of his throat as had Ataulf. But his successor, Valia, while he treated Gala Placidia with respect, saw in her a valuable piece of property, and retained her as his slave. His attempts at war were not successful, however, and he found himself impoverished by them.

Constantius had never ceased to love his royal lady. He was one of her brother's generals, and now he threatened Valia. More cannily, less openly, than had Ataulf, he worked for his end, and obtained it. To free Gala Placidia cost him a ransom of six hundred thousand measures of wheat. A year later she married him. There is no record of royal felicity. Her first marriage had been that of a young and happy girl enchanted by her heroic rescuer; her second was a practical affair with a man who had bought her, and she gave him full value for his bargain. Her brother died, and Constantius claimed the crown. This time it was an imperial crown that Gala Placidia wore, and it never again left her. She grew old gracefully and with dignity, an emperor's consort, helping him in his rule, and after his death she was regent for her son Valentinian. Hers was a wise and good reign. She could not save Rome, but she delayed its fall. She showed to the full all the qualities that had made her the favourite child of her great father. She died lamented while Rome tottered toward its final end, and she is unforgotten in Spain, as she never forgot the country that had seen both her happiest and her bitterest days.

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 Dec. 22—EXOCHORDA, from New York and Gibraltar, for Marseilles and a Mediterranean cruise.
 Dec. 29 — EXCAMBION, from Genoa and Marseilles, for Malaga and New York.
 Jan. 5—EXCALIBUR, from New York and Gibraltar, for Marseilles and Mediterranean cruise.

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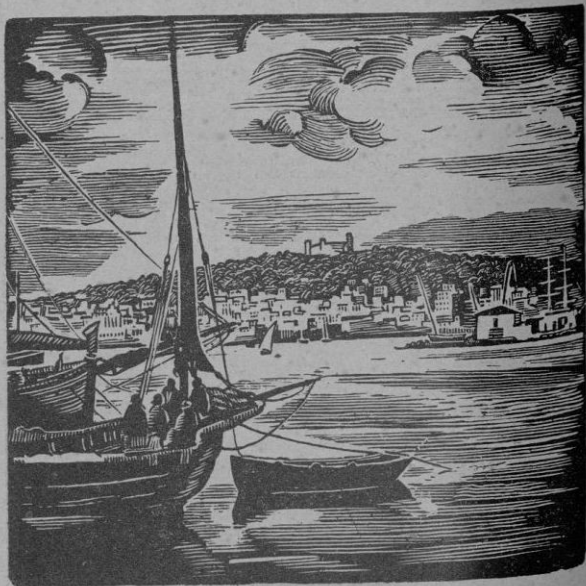
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PRINCIPAL — THE STAR OF VALENCIA with Brigitte Helm, in French. Scenes laid in Mallorca.

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Having travelled since early last June through the tropics and the Far East, Mrs. Alys Church has returned to the fold. She has brought back a young ape, and left her dogs behind. Among other trophies of her trip, Mrs. Church has a beautiful collection of jades and corals which she collected while away.

A. J. Harrison, C. I. E., left last Tuesday for Marseilles from where he will sail for his home in Bombay. He was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lewis who live in Porto Pi, but he was to be found frequently in Joe's Bar, surrounded by a breathless audience as he recounted stirring tales of snakes in India as only a master raconteur can tell them.

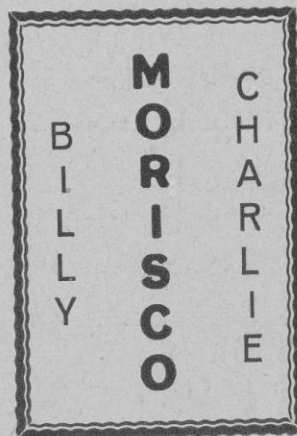
Col. and Mrs. Edwin Root have closed their home in Terreno temporarily, and left for England on the Yoma last Wednesday.

Mrs. Agness Isabella Symes, Mr. James B. McClelland of London, and Miss Belle Preiss of Baltimore, Md., arrived aboard the Chindwin last Tues-

day and registered at the Hotel Mediterraneo. A number of reservations have been made for the second week in December, and a large crowd of holiday-makers is expected for Christmas.

Word has been received from Mrs. Mabel Healy, who spent the last two seasons in Mallorca, that she and her daughter Dorothy, popular with the younger set here, will live in Paris this winter. They have taken an apartment in the Rue des Marromers Passy.

Last Friday's American Export boat bound for the States, carried from here Mrs. Lewis Atwood, Mrs. Humphreys and her daughter, Mrs. Peggy Hadra and her two children, and Miss Megan Laird who has, during the last few months, made her home in Ibiza. Miss Laird came to Mallorca more than three years ago and had a house, together with Mrs. Julia Grant, in



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Galilea. She is going back to the States for the Christmas holidays, and has a return ticket to the Balearics.

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Sir Thomas and Lady Watt have arrived in Palma from the Rock Hotel, Gibraltar, and are staying at the Grand Hotel. Sir Thomas was Minister of Justice in Natal and subsequently held several portfolios in South Africa in the Botha and Smuts ministries.

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Mrs. M. Addington is leaving her house in the Calle Armadans and moving up into Terreno. Miss N. L. Bailey has taken over her former residence.

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Mrs. Galt entertained a number of members of the British colony at her home in Porto Pi last Thursday, by way of celebrating St. Andrew's Day. There was bridge as well as dancing.

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Mme. de Marquerie, Denise Defoe to her clients at the Insitut de Beauté in the Plaza Cort, is in Paris. She went there on a business trip, but has been ill ever since her arrival in the French capital.

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Mrs. Robert Gavett entertained at a bridge luncheon Wednesday for Mrs. Gilmore Hadra, including among her guests Mrs. Donald Newhall and Mrs. John Lowrie.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Starin Cowles arrived in Palma last week and are staying at the Hotel Alhambra. Mr. Cowles is a well known architect in New York City. They are planning to spend the winter in Mallorca and, if the place comes up to all their expectations, will probably become residents of the Island.

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Due to the strike, the long awaited advent of the golf course in Alcudia has been delayed, but it is now expected that it will be definitely opened on Dec. 15th. The quaint old mill which has been turned into a restaurant and club house, called El Molino, will prove an attractive oasis for golfers and galleries alike.

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Mr. and Mrs. Austin Gilmour, who have been travelling about Spain for the last month, since they left Mallorca, have completed their Spanish tour and are going on to Italy this week, where they will spend some time before returning to the United States. Mr. Gilmour is alternating sight seeing with writing.

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Mr. and Mrs. Percy Daniels have taken the pent house in the Gimenez apartment at Calle 14 de Abril 1. They have recently returned to Palma after a sojourn in Rhodesia, where Mrs. Daniels was taken ill. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels formerly had a villa in Bonanova and are well known here. He was at one time King's Messenger.

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Mrs. Estelle Campbell, who left here several months ago, writes from New York that Palma was the gayest place she found in Europe, and that Pau, where she spent some time after she left Mallorca was, by comparison, deserted.

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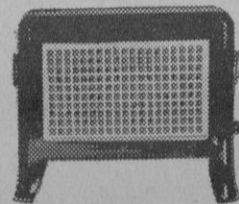


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Mrs. Yvonne Arango was hostess to a gay party on Thanksgiving night at which she entertained the Baroness Bucovich, Mr. Summery Gade, Miss Pat Sheridan, Mrs. Mendelsohn and Signor Tito Cungi.

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At the Alfonso are Mrs. A. Lloyd-Williams, Mrs. G. M. Foster, Mr. Ian Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Parlet, who are planning to leave shortly for Egypt.

Mr. Frederick Maggs was host at dinner recently at the Alfonso, when he entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lewis and their house guest, Mr. Harrison, and Mr. Peter Owen.

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Last Tuesday, the Watussi of the German African Line, bound for Africa via Genoa and Port Said, landed thirty-two passengers here. Among them were Mrs. M. Cauvin, Mr. and Mrs. Read and their daughter, Mrs. F. Pierce, Messrs. Cracken-thorpe, Lewis and Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. McClelland, Mrs. Symes, Mrs. Preiss and Mrs. Vola de Pira, Messrs. Carlberg, Canellas, Free and Matson, Mrs. J. Broadwoor, Mrs. Forster, Mr. and Mrs. Glover and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Goosey.

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The place of Mr. and Mrs. Rose's good-bye party was changed at the last moment from their home on the Calvario de Pollensa to Lorna's Bar. None of the Palma contingent were able to get over. The strike made it difficult to obtain petrol and several people were laid low with influenza. We of the Puerto however, had a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The Roses sailed on Wednesday on the Yoma for a two month's stay in England.

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Count Miklos Polugay is becoming quite a well known figure in the Port. He is covered with scars from his many duels but only once did he have a really close call. This was when he fought a young Italian over the beautiful Princess Guilia Calamaretti. His opponent's weapon pierced his lung but with great presence of mind the count turned on his face, thus avoiding a dangerous hemorrhage. He is a little put out because he cannot obtain his favorite liqueur Slivowitz, here.

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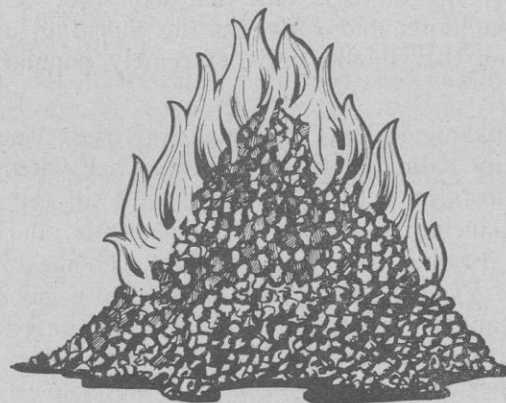
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