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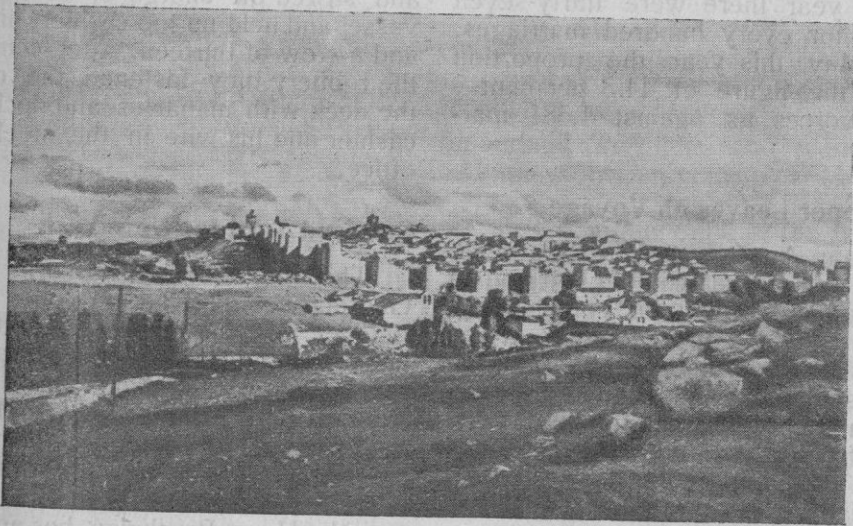
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## SPAIN IS DIFFERENT



### Europe's Natural Playground

**W**HEN, towards the middle of the last decade, the late General Primo de Rivera founded the Spanish National Tourism Bureau, with its complementary services, he started a movement that was soon to become an important factor in the economics of his country. Since then, throughout the various succeeding Governments, this work has been continued and enlarged, until to-day Spain shows every sign of becoming one of the great playgrounds of Europe.

In spite of the great amount of propaganda used, however, a general impression still seems to exist in other countries to the effect that Spain is a risky, uncomfortable land in which to travel. One has the suspicion that people still cross the frontiers of this country with a considerable thrill, and wondering if they will ever return to civilization and its comforts. Most of these afflicted with this idea must perforce leave Spain with regrets and with a very different conception of it. It seems incredible that in London, New York, and even Paris, one should still be asked if it is possible to motor in Spain, or requested for information as to the off-hour of the legendary bandit. George Borrow, Professor Starkie, Jan and Cora Gordon, and a host of other writers are probably innocently responsible for these romantic impressions of a country which Havelock Ellis has described as *«civilized, in the right sense of the word.»*

As far as Borrow is concerned, Spain was a wild place in his eyes, since adventure and romance were meat and drink to his spirit, and without wishing to detract from the importance of the picture he paints in *«The Bible in Spain,»* so much must be allowed for fabrication and embroidery. Unfortunately these latter qualities are those which stick most firmly in the memory.

#### The Difference

There is a certain quality in the Spanish character, which many writers have remarked upon but few have analyzed, whereby there is achieved a perfect blending of the old and the new. For old time's sake, as it were, road-makers will carry stones in small rush baskets, one by one, to feed them into a giant modern cement mixer. When criticized, this method of construction is defended with the argument that if trucks were used fewer men would be needed, thus increasing unemployment, for which Spaniards have a very healthy dread. So far the Spanish State has not been forced to support its unemployed on the dole principle, one of the reasons for this being the continuance of those archaic old methods which keep men physically busy. When surveying the alarming figures of our Unemployment Bureaux, one begins to wonder...

In every town in Spain, and village for that matter, one comes across these contrasts, which have the appearance of having been thought out. An escalator in

a large store comes as a shock when one has just been told by an employé that the goods one requires can best be obtained in the shop next door. In most other countries that employé would disparagingly be told he had no business instinct. In Spain it is considered common decency. Spain's smaller villages almost all boast an excellent electricity supply. Up-to-date ice and lemonade plants in the smallest places contrast strangely with peasants riding to market in their holiday togs, ready to bargain, and to play a guitar when the day's work is done, but also appreciative of an iced lemonade.

The pleasures of holiday-making in Spain are, in a way, an acquired taste; they must be weighed and considered before an appreciation is arrived at. In Barcelona, for example, cruise passengers rarely see anything but the more mediocre buildings and the more salacious cabarets. Madrid, also, is the victim of much abuse. Granted the importance of the Prado Gallery, the great charm of Madrid lies in its gay intimate self, its amusing cafés, and its elegance. We advise those who are willing, to give Spain a fair trial.

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# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

It was announced this week by the United Artists Co. that Mary Pickford and Charlie Chaplin would soon become movie directors. Mary Pickford, it is said, will direct two pictures during the coming season and Chaplin will undertake a film starring Paulette Goddard. Neither of the two stars themselves will take any part in the pictures.

Chaplin will soon be releasing his first starring picture since that of «City Lights» more than four years ago. In his latest film Chaplin states that he will have no speaking part but will present a satire on mass production in a large city. The tragi-comic effect of the story is based on the adventures of an individual who is agog among millions of wheels.

### Unrest at Lahore

Troops have been called out to assist the civil power to maintain order in consequence of the strained Moslem-Sikh relations, after the partial demolition of a building attached to the Sikh gurdwara, which the Moslems claim as an old mosque. Trouble has been going on for more than a week, and efforts to reach a compromise failed. The gurdwara premises are thronged with Sikhs, who are being reinforced from the districts, and it is estimated that there are 4,000 present.

On Friday a crowd of 3,000 Moslems marched to the gurdwara armed with lathis and sticks. To prevent a breach of the peace the police were ordered to disperse the crowd, which became hostile and several police were injured. Panic spread in the city, and the shops were closed.

### Soviet Divorce Increase

The number of divorces in proportion to the number of marriages continue to rise in Russia, it was revealed in the Soviet Press yesterday. The increase foreshadows early restrictions in the easy marriage and divorce laws.

The proposed law would do away with flagrant abuses and will make it no longer possible to terminate a marriage at the will of either party by a mere declaration before a civil bureau.

Last year there were thirty-seven divorces for every hundred marriages, but in May this year the proportion reached the figure of 44.3 per cent—2,040 divorces as against 4,381 marriages.

### Girl Skipper Leaves on Voyage

Captain Anna Ivanovna Shatinina, Russia's first girl sea-captain, arrived at Odessa on Wednesday in command of the new Soviet ship *Ghavitcha* which the Russian Government purchased from the Hansa Company at Hamburg.

From Odessa she will take the vessel on a fifty-day trip through the Black Sea, the Mediterranean, the Red Sea, the Indian Ocean and the Pacific to Vladivostok.

Captain Shatinina is a graduate of the Soviet Naval Training School at Vladivostok and has had ten years' experience as a sailor, and is now in command of a crew of thirty young seamen, all in their twenties. She has thrice been in command on voyages to Atlantic ports.

### Thieves Turn Pirates

A gang of thieves from Long Branch, California, turned pirates on Monday and robbed the gambling barge, *Monte Carlo*, anchored eight miles off the shore, of \$22,000 in cash and \$10,000 worth of jewels left as security by patrons.

There were eight or ten of the «pirates.» They came alongside the *Monte Carlo* at 4. a. m. in a heavy fog, and five of them, armed with pistols, rifles, and sawed-off shotguns, boarded the vessel and held up the cashier, his wife, and a crew of thirteen. After completing the robbery they fastened the crew to the deck with manacles and locked the cashier and his wife in the steel-walled office.

### Scotland Yard for New York

The Mayor of New York, Mr. La Guardia, has directed the Police Commissioner and his new Assistant Chief Inspector, in charge of the detectives, to set up a sort Scotland Yard in New York. «Call it what you will,» he said, «but carry on in a scientific manner the detection and apprehension of organized crime.» The new Assistant Chief Inspector, Mr. Harry Bruckman, has an exceptional record as a detective officer, both for energy and efficiency.

### Withdrawal of Normandie for Winter

Reports that the *Normandie* will be laid up in the autumn and will not resume service until the spring of 1936 have been confirmed in shipping circles, where it is considered unlikely that a ship of her capacity could ply profitably in winter under present conditions.

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# BARCELONA SOCIAL NOTES

The Fourth of July celebration of the American colony and their friends was a pleasant event of last Saturday. Twenty-seven children engaged in flat races and potato, egg, and three-legged races in the course lined out at the San Cugat Golf Club, while parents and baby brothers and sisters looked on. All of the participants received small loving cups, the larger sizes going to the winners. The children then adjourned to the court-yard of the Club, where they were served ice cream and cake and cold lemonade by ladies of the American Women's Committee. Meanwhile an indoor baseball game was being played on the ninth fairway between Gwynn's «Giants» and Quinlan's «Yankees,» in which the latter gained the victory by a comfortable margin. Darkness came too soon to allow more than three matches of horseshoes to be played, only Temp, Zaro, and Shaeffer scoring ringers. Picnic supper in the courtyard was jolly. Brief informal talks were made by Mr. Dawson concerning conditions as he found them in the United States on his recent leave, by Mr. Cross on his regret at leaving Barcelona and his many friends here, and Mr. Park, expressing the warm unity and friendship felt between the English and American colonies in Barcelona. Mr. Gwynn, President of the American Club, acted as master of ceremonies. Supper was followed by dancing and bridge. Throughout the day's program a fine degree of co-operation was received from the San Cugat Golf Club under the temporary management of Mr. Barnett.

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Mr. and Mrs. Galland and their daughter, Miss Helen Galland, are planning to go to Ribas as soon as Mrs. Galland is well enough to undertake the journey.

The Rev. G. D. Whitaker and Mrs. Whitaker left on Monday for Maisons Lafitte, Paris. Their many Barcelona friends were very sorry to bid them farewell, but hope to see them here again next year.

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We regret to report the serious illness of Mr. Cheshire who was obliged to go into hospital early on Wednesday morning. We hope soon to hear good news of his satisfactory progress.

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An interesting wedding which took place a few days ago was that of Don Ernesto Maragall y Noble and Señorita Josefa Mc. Gill Sarria of Venezuela.

The bridegroom is a son of the late Don Juan Maragall, the famous Catalan poet and *litterateur* who married Doña Clara Noble, a cousin of Mr. George Noble.

Although only one of the late poet's twelve children has followed him in letters, they are an artistic family. Don Ernesto shows great promise as a sculptor, while an elder brother owns the 'Sala Pares'—the Art Galleries in the Calle Petrixol, where one is always sure of an interesting exhibition of modern paintings—old china—or miniatures.

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Mrs. C. L. Jones entertained a few of her friends to «bridge» last Wednesday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Angier, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Evans with their young family. Mrs. Miller and her little daughter, Wendy, left for London today *en route* for Inverness.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dolphin were hosts at a cocktail party on Thursday to a number of their friends at the Paramount studio on Paseo de Gracia. Drinks were followed by a private showing of «Ruggles of Red Gap,» an excellent film thoroughly appreciated by the guests, and promised Barcelona theatre-goers for next fall.

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Mrs. J. S. Coulson thanks her many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy on her recent bereavement, also for the beautiful flowers. All will be acknowledged as soon as possible.

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The famous «Can Soler» of Barcelona fame, where so many superb lobsters have been eaten, is having to enlarge, and has seen fit to move to the Paseo Colón. We fear that some of the old atmosphere may be lost, but the cooking will remain as superlative as ever.

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## SPORT

### TENNIS

#### Wimbledon and After

The finalists at Wimbledon were as follows:

Men's Singles Champion. F. J. Perry.  
Runner-up. G. vom Cram.

Ladies' Singles Champion. Mrs. H. Wills Moody. Runner-up. Miss Helen Jacobs.

Men's Doubles Champions: J. H. Crawford and A. Quist.

Ladies' Doubles Champions: Miss K. Stammers and Miss F. James.

Mixed Doubles Champions: F. J. Perry and Miss Dorothy Round

Of all the matches of the tournament perhaps the Men's Singles and the Ladies' Singles finals were the most decisive, as Perry unexpectedly beat von Cramm in three straight sets, and although Miss Jacobs put up a good fight there was never any doubt that Mrs. Wills Moody was the better player.

#### Davis Cup

The Challenge Round of the Davis Cup will be played at Wimbledon on the 27th, 29th and 30th of this month and the British team which has been chosen is as follows: F. J. Perry, H. W. Austin, G. P. Hughes and C. R. D. Tuckey. Before this match, Germany and the United States have to play off their tie for the right to challenge, and while von Cramm is a host in himself, it is most probable that the better average of the Americans will carry the day.

#### The British Wightman Cup Team

The team which will go to New York to meet the U. S. A. for the above event on August 16th and 17th at Forest Hills is as follows: Miss D. Round, Mrs. M. R. King, Miss Freda James, Miss N. Lyle, Miss E. A. Dearman and Miss K. Stammers.

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Schmelling's right was working beautifully and early in the fight he closed one of Uzcudun's eyes and handed out considerable punishment. Uzcudun appeared over anxious and missed repeatedly.

Schmelling's victory should make him eligible to meet «Clay Face» Louis, the Detroit negro who recently won decisively over Carnera.

Among the crowd at the fight were many Nazi leaders, and the former Crown Prince.

### Golf

Walter Hagen has been named playing-captain of the American Ryder Cup team which will meet Great Britain at Ridgewood, New Jersey on September 28th. The other members of the team will be Paul Runyon, Sam Parks, U. S. Open Champion; Olin Dutra, Henry Picard, Horton Smith, Gene Sarazen and Craig Wood. The course at Ridgewood is one of the best in the States and is considered exceedingly difficult.

The eight British golfers who will meet the American team are Percy Alliss, R. Burton, I. J. Busson, W. J. Cox, A. W. Jarman, A. H. Padgham, Alfred Perry, British Open Champion and C. A. Whitcomb.

### Baseball

In American baseball the Yankees and the Giants, both of New York, are leading their respective leagues. Detroit is pressing the Yanks hard and may soon supplant them in first place. The Yankees feel the loss severely this year of George Herman Ruth, known to America at large as «Babe.» He left them at the beginning of the season for Boston where he was to be assistant manager as well as a player. A quarrel resulted with the management and Ruth left. He is now through with both big leagues

but will probably continue to pick up a considerable amount money «barnstorming» with the smaller clubs.

### Water-Polo

Yale University which for many years has held the intercollegiate championship at water polo is dropping this sport from its programme. This will entail its resignation as well from the Intercollegiate Swimming Association. Their decision to drop this sport comes as a result of advice from medical authorities that water polo is detrimental to health. The long periods of submersion to which the players are subjected and the great strain on lungs and ears are held to be injurious.

### Harvard-Yale-Oxford-Cambridge

The annual track meeting between the teams of these Universities will take place in London on July 20th. The White City Stadium will be the scene of this year's meet, and some excellent sport is expected. For the night prior to this event, a dinner of Harvard and Yale men has been arranged and will take place at 8.P.M. at the Piccadilly Hotel. The teams will be present, but we presume will be sent home to bed before the naughty stories begin. Tickets 15/-, exclusive of wines.

### Great Oarsman Dead

The sporting world will grieve in general over the sudden death of Mr. Guy Nickalls, the famous Eton and Oxford oarsman.

Nickalls was what is called a «rough oar» in his younger days, and owed the chief part of his early success to his strength and stamina. His style remained on the rough side, but he developed latterly into an oarsman whose science was almost as notable as the power behind it. It may be safely said that no oarsman ever taxed his powers of endurance so prodigally as did Guy Nickalls.

Some of his Henley victories are as follows:

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There is no need to mention here the importance of the Plaza as an institution in public life all over Spain. When learning Spanish we are soon brought into contact with it—«Where is father?» «He is in the Plaza.» In the Plaza, main artery of every town, loves and hates, political and otherwise, are conceived and made known. Revolutions are plotted and charity matinées arranged. In the Plaza you may be sure to meet your friend, and your enemy.

The Plaza Cataluña, modern as it is, has an air all its own (it was even more picturesque before it was reformed recently) with its cafés, its good side and its not so good side. The cafés, in themselves are quite worth a pilgrimage. Starting from the Sarriá station, on the south side, one comes to a large bar, open in summer, popular with *cruisaders* and taxi-drivers, with a special side-section sacred to tramway inspectors. Next door to it stands one of the best fruit stores in Barcelona, followed by a coffee house patronized by stockbrokers.

Further up one comes to a large café

usually occupied by sportsmen and athletes of every description. The very good food here should be tried, especially the lobsters straight from Port Mahon. Then, passing the empty site once oc-

which constitutes the anathema of the young Spanish wife. When hubby goes down there he always comes up minus many *pesetas* and walking very carefully. The food at the Colon grill is justly famous. Sr. Ribas is a monument of tact and imagination.

On then, if you can still walk, to the



cupied by the Teatro Eldorado (paradise in former years of the classical Spanish stage *Johnnie*) the enormous tabled acreage of the Maison Doré (known as «the Maison» to its patrons) appears. Here one sees the Spanish woman of the fringe of Society and her daughter. Interminably they sit in the afternoons, for many men pass that way, some of them eligible.

If you sit here long enough you will see all your friends pass. Within the café there are several salons. In winter two of them are given up to dancing in the afternoon and evening. The same band supplies music for both but..... Society with a large S frequents one room (you can tell it by the chandeliers) ignorant and oblivious of the mob in the other. In another salon, on Friday afternoons, you will find a collection of Barcelona's intellectuals united in solemn conclave. Don't join in unless Marx and Joyce are your eternal loves.

Leaving the Maison we come to the pride of the Plaza Cataluña, the Colon Bar. Here everybody who is, or wants to be, anybody foregathers for cocktails (they are very good) at lunch time. The long terrace is divided into two sections, the gay and slightly naughty side, and the respectable. The hotel entrance divides these two worlds, or maybe the world from the half world. Beneath the hotel there is a large international bar,

mysterious café on the north side. Few people know what it is, but most have the impression that they cannot sit down there. It is the terrace of the Army and Navy Club, and, if you don't attract too much attention you may sit down there once. You will be politely told that the management regrets...

Crowded as it is at most times of the day and night the Plaza has its special days. Winter and spring mornings see it full of mothers, nurses and babies, with here and there a few out-of-works taking a sunbath. In a great-grey cloud the pigeons swerve from time to time and land amongst the carnation beds, whence they are ejected by a patient gentleman with a bamboo stick.

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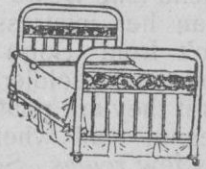
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# Royal Air Force Display 1935

## Tremendous Crowd Thrilled by Fast Planes

Saturday, June the 29th. at Hendon, before a crowd of approximately two hundred thousand members of the public, the sixteenth annual display was staged by the Royal Air Force.

The programme of flying was scheduled to start at 12-30, but long before that time the multitude began to assemble, not only on the aerodrome itself, but on every available point of vantage for some considerable distance around. As usual the visitors were marshalled efficiently by officials of both police and air-force.

The first event was in the form of a twenty-eight mile handicap race for staff-officers of various sections of the R. A. F. proper and the list of entries included many prominent pilots. This was followed by various interesting tactics by staff instructors in light and heavy aircraft and included stunting, with Hawker Furies, Hawker Harts, Gloster Gauntlets and even heavy bombers. One of these events revealed that the one-time supposed inability of bombers to deal with fast fighting planes was inexact if not incorrect and the pilots handled heavy machines with great skill at amazingly low altitudes.

2-10 p. m. saw the introduction of the D. H. Comet used by Messers Scott and Black in their recent record flight from Mildenhall to Melbourne and later purchased by the Air Ministry for experimental purposes. This clean-cut, low-winged, twin-engined monoplane with its bullet-like nose and beautifully streamlined body presented a striking contrast to its more warlike brethren. It performed various evolutions over the aerodrome with amazing speed and quietness and won the unanimous admiration of the spectators.

The preliminary events closed at 2-30, leaving half-an-hour's break before the commencement of the main programme. The first two hours, however, provided such spectators as had already arrived, with quite a thrill in the form of an actual crash staged by a pilot who was fittingly demonstrating how not to fly. The event depicted an instructor in one machine and a pupil in another trying to copy the actions of the former. The silver instructor's plane took the air beautifully whilst amid roars of laughter

from the crowd the pupil in his yellow Avro struggled vainly to ascend, ultimately catching first one wing then the other and finally the under carriage on the ground and ending in a heap of crumpled wreckage. The plane did not catch fire and the pilot was unharmed, and even as he stepped out of the cockpit a duplicate machine took off and carried on the demonstration.

The main events were made up of mass-tactics by fast fighters, heavy bombers, auto-gyros and a fly-past of various flying-boats.

Perhaps the most spectacular phase of all took place at 3-29, when a squadron of Bristol Bulldogs which had taken the air some minutes previously and had flown around at a great height during the proceeding of another item, suddenly swept down upon the crowd at terrific speed from several thousand feet to within a few feet of the spectators. They scattered and roared round with dummy machine guns rattling as if mowing down an army of infantry on the retreat, soaring high again almost as quickly as they had descended, reforming and launching a further onslaught. This they repeated two or three times and then vanished leaving a very much impressed multitude still wondering where the planes had come from and marvelling that they were still alive.

The organization of the entire programme left nothing to be desired. A commentator advised the public of each event in detail through a network of loud speakers placed all over the flying field and in some instances a direct connection was made between squadron leaders in the air and the observers on the ground by which means one was able to hear a pilot's actual orders to his men when going into attack. Machines which were supposed to have been brought down in flames came to earth in a realistic fashion issuing clouds of smoke as they fell and landed in nearby fields reserved for them out of sight of the aerodrome.

To the average observer it seemed that here was the Royal Air Force at home and not, as in former years, a pageant of almost exaggerated excitement devised for the especial entertainment of the public. One could not help realizing that this was a display of skill and efficiency in both defence and attack, though exhibited with all the discretion expected of a great though pacifist nation at a time when international relationships are most strained.

## Morality Campaign

Following upon the attacks made by Father Laburu in his series of sermons recently, the Catholic Societies of Spain have initiated a morality campaign directed especially at extravagant bathing fashions. A standard bathing-suit for women has been devised and can be obtained in most large stores. It differentiates from the usual modern costume in that a short skirt is attached. The sleeves are lengthened almost to elbow length and there is a high neck. Although there does not seem to have been any official ruling about this matter, there have been several cases in various parts of Spain of bathers fined by the Civil Governor of the Province for exhibiting themselves on the beaches without bathgowns. Presumably a definite statement will be made very soon. If bathgowns are to be enforced for beach wear, and swimming-suits required to be standard, sunbathers and active swimmers will find themselves hampered considerably. A certain reaction from nudist bathing fashions certainly seems necessary, but if the sun's rays are not allowed to reach one's body most of the pleasure and benefit to be obtained from a seaside holiday will have disappeared. The extravagant few, as usual, have made the authorities take a step that will affect the majority.

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## The Plaza Cataluña

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the maidservants, soldiers and sailors. If you can manage to push through the crowd, a feat that requires tenacity and strength, you will see the meeting of a girl from Soria, in service in the city, with an old love from her home town, doing his military service. Laughs, quips and daring compliments soon bring them to a state bordering on hysteria. Everything seems funny. Then the girl-friend (she wears that green dress better than her mistress) is introduced. She isn't from Soria but her cousin once courted the soldier's sister, so it's as good as if they are related. They repair to the peanut stall where the soldier spends his few *reales*. Some sailors come up, and there is more chatting and exchanging of pointed and often personal remarks. At nine the girls dash off to cook the supper. The soldiers retire to their barracks. *Hasta el domingo!!* The Plaza remains quieter and darkness descends. The white stone lady, crouching in her little formal garden, gazes down the Rambla. She has seen many strange things, and will see more before she is removed and placed in the Park, cemetery of unwanted statues. Early this year she was nearly squashed by a crashing autogiro. Yes, the Plaza Cataluña has a tale to tell to those who want to hear it.

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*The advent of a very young poet with a new way of saying something old is to be hailed nowadays with satisfaction. Alvin Allen Shannon, born some 20 years ago in Texas, has found in Spain an inspiration and a mode of expression of a delightful quality. Author of Moscow Mood, published recently in New York, Shannon's verse is delicate in a way reminiscent of the Chinese. We take pleasure in printing here some excerpts from «Vall-demosan Verse», a series which has just reached completion.*

Hills of Spain  
 Into your heights  
 I have built my castle—  
 As long as your beauty stays  
 My castle shall ne'er tumble.

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Olive trees  
 Are like old men  
 Wrinkled and ancient  
 Forever bending  
 And twisting  
 In their combat  
 To live  
 And their song  
 When the winds play  
 In their branches  
 'Tis not unlike  
 Those old shepherds  
 Singing to the straying sheep  
 Sad and low  
 bones  
 flutes  
 Hark  
 Hear the song  
 Begins again  
 Life is always thus  
 With old men  
 And trees  
 And heart unyielding.

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Follow the geese  
 When your heart is weary  
 They always know  
 The lanes of contentment...

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Black hills  
 Against the nite  
 Towering giants  
 of stone and timber  
 Strength  
 Unity  
 Silence...

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Hard against the moon  
 I saw a white gull  
 Glide smoothly past  
 —For a moment  
 My heart sang—  
 And my soul glowed;  
 The gull fell into darkness  
 And my heart  
 Woke again  
 To earthly things.

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A winding lane  
 A flowered field

A summer rain  
 A twilight steal  
 Love of roads  
 Forever wending  
 Love of fields  
 Never ending  
 Love of rain  
 Against warm earth  
 Love of the twilight peace.

\*\*\*

When night is come  
 And flowers have bent their heads  
 To a dying sun  
 The fame of youth  
 Will ride abroad  
 The starry path  
 Of romance.  
 Pegasus!  
 With Innocence mounted  
 Will wing thru many worlds  
 Worlds that are made  
 By fools in love—  
 Fools that dream  
 But 'waking know  
 Its vanity  
 Its futility...

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Straight into the wind  
 I shot an arrow  
 I searched the skies  
 For its path-flight  
 Yet my eyes it evaded  
 I cast my eyes to earth  
 And sought its descent  
 Yet all my seeking was vain  
 In after days  
 When life is done  
 I believe a soul  
 Will be as an arrow's flight  
 Swift  
 Unreturning  
 Speeding  
 To nowhere.

**The Poem of the Cid**

Poetry lovers visiting Spain should avail themselves of the priceless opportunity of reading some of the old poems of the Cid in the original.

Written undoubtedly in the last half of the 12th. century, the *Poem of the Cid* is probably the oldest document in the Spanish language. It is more properly an epic than a *chanson de geste*, and unquestionably the most Homeric piece of mediaeval poetry in existence. Editions of it have been give by Janer and Pidal in the *Biblioteca de Autores Españoles*, but most of the translations do little justice to the dignity, sense and spirit of the old Spanish poem. The Cid ballads, so numerous in the old *canciones* and *romanceros*, were collected and printed in a *romancero* by themselves by Escobar in 1612. The fullest and best *Romancero del Cid* is that of Carolina Michaelis (1872), which contains no less than 205 ballads.

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# LADY LEISURE

## The Dog Days

Heat is all around us, and even the most definite mind is inclined to change when faced with the problem of dress-fittings and shopping expeditions. It seems infinitely pleasanter and easier to stretch out in, say, one of those hand-blocked and authentic silky kimonos from Nippon that are once more coming into their own, preferably on a shaded *chaise-longue* of oyster-coloured satin—not forgetting, of course, that tall, tinkling *refresco* which should be within reach of the languid hand, and which is doubly tempting if served in a set such as Lalique alone would claim.

Lazing along in such a pleasant half-light, one's mind is more liable to touch lightly on various ideas rather than concentrate on any one definite scheme of adornment. The beach is always well to the fore, and who can wonder if there happens to be one of those new Malayan sarongs hanging on the wall where the old oil-painting used to be, and just begging to be worn and taken to answer the call of the surf. Yes, ladies, believe it or not—the newest beach wraps also come under the category of house decoration. They are straight lengths of linen or fine, fine wool, hand-painted with individual designs far from being reminiscent of art with a capital A, and what is more which will wash and wash and no sea spray or gritty sand in the world can budge them.

Then there is that most becoming substitute for a beach hat created by Robert Pigué, apparently inspired by Lawrence of Arabia, for it is a large grey linen scarf hanging in classic folds over back and shoulders as far as the waist in front, and held close to the head by a wide wreath of exotic flowers by Talbot. To go with this come Arabian seroual trousers of yellow shantung over a brown wool maillot.

If you are very young it is lots of fun to go quite crazy when joining the beach party and wear one of those gay coloured paper-soldier hats, which are literally exact copies of those pert three-cornered

newspaper affairs that you make to amuse the poor wee four-year old who is too sick to go along.

New sunburn preparations keep popping up with each fresh layer of tan that we lay upon our unresisting skins. One of the recent good ones is Daggett and Ramsdell's Sun Lotion. This is a faintly perfumed emulsion—the type that proved the most successful and popular on the Riviera last season for acquiring a *café-au-lait* grade of tan. And blessings for the «faintly perfumed»—no more going about smelling like a cup of cocoa or oil for salad this summer!

Right in the middle of the delicious *siesta* we were murmuring about somewhere above, a thoughtful visitor arrived from New York to tell us about what we considered to be the top in refreshing schemes. It was a gift chest from Nata Lee, the sort with drawers that pull out, usually to reveal stockings or handkerchiefs. Only when you pulled out the drawers, they were full of cookies,

stacks of them in rows. And there were several cookies in each stack, because they are thin as a knife blade, which is the way we think cookies should be, anyway, and came in seven delicious flavours.

If you want to be ahead of the news for your afternoon bridge-dates cover your well-trained locks with a feather-light pancake of sparkling white straw, with three trailing cock feathers and a decorative veil which turns up instead of down, just to be different.

By the way, here's a tip. If you like a white outfit but are not quite calm and contented about whether it likes you, wear a night-blue pair of three-quarter length gloves with it, and a cobwebby cheek-bone veil of the same shade, and you'll never regret it. It's nothing short of miraculous what that shade of blue does to your eyes alone.

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## Do You Know?

Select the correct answer from each question given. The solutions will appear next week.

- To which branch of the Arts does agiology belong?  
*Music, Literature, Painting, Sculpture.*
  - Two of these were born in Sweden:  
*Jenny Lind, Lily Langtry, Elisabeth Bergner, Greta Garbo, Eleonora Duse, Sarah Bernhardt.*
  - What is the independent State of Luxembourg?  
*Kingdom, Principality, Grand Duchy, Republic.*
  - Who wrote «Tanglewood Tales?»  
*Kingsley, Kipling, Hawthorne, Lewis Carroll, Dickens, Scott.*
  - Two of these names mean a sheep between one and two years old:  
*Gimmer, Wether, Teg, Hog.*
  - What is the surname of the Pirate King in «Peter Pan?»  
*Smee, Hook, Jones, Barbican, Silver, Turpin.*
- Solutions to last week's questions:  
(1) Michigan. (2) Mohammedan. (3) Flag. (4) Archery. (5) A highly glazed pottery. (6) America.

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**POLIORAMA**—Maria Ladron de Guevara, Spain's Ina Claire, with her company in repertory. This week *La Millona*. and *El Genio Alegre*,

**Cinemas**

Owing to the increasing difficulty, during the summer season of reprises, of obtaining exact information regarding films shown, we cannot hold ourselves responsible for changes of programme.

**URQUINAONA**—Closed until September.

**FEMINA**—*Mademoiselle Nitouche*.

**COLISEUM**—Ronald Colman in *Aventurero Audaz*.

**CAPITOL**—Bill Boyd and Wynne Gibson in *The Invisible Aggressor*.

**MARYLAND**—*Maria Luisa de Austria*, and *Vuelan Mis Canciones*.

**CATALUÑA**—Closed for redecoration.

**ACTUALIDADES**—The great documental, *The Last Twenty Years*, and news reels and shorts.

**PUBLI**—*The Conquest of Mont-Kamet* and the usual news and shorts.

**Necessary Addresses**

**American Consulate General**—Plaza Cataluña, 22 Telephone 14507. Hours: 9 to 1 and 2:50 to 5.

**American Chamber of Commerce**—Rambla de los Estudios 8, 2º, Telephone 18252.

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**British Chamber of Commerce**—Rambla de los Estudios 8, 3º, Telephone 18222.

**British Club**—Plaza Urquinaona, 3.

**Evangelical Hospital**—Camelias, 21, San José de la Montaña, Telephone 79014.

**Methodist Church** (Spanish).—Calle de Ripoll, 22, pral.—*Minister*: Rev. José Capó, Provenza, 373, 4.º A. Telephone 50744.

**Our Lady's Club**, for English-speaking Catholics, Aragón, 279, segundo.

**Patronato Nacional de Turismo**—Cortes, 658, Telephone 20923.

**Seamen's Institute**—Pasaje de la Blanca, 3, 1.º

**St. George's Church**—Calle Rosellón, corner of Claris.

**Other Places of Interest**

**Restaurants**—Good food of the de luxe type can be had at Hostal del Sol, (off the Paseo de Gracia). Taberna Vasca (next to Ritz), Colon Restaurant, (Pza. Cataluña). More moderate in price: Restaurant Suizo, in Ramblas, Hostalet (off Paseo de Gracia). Hostal del Gall (Pza. República). Canari de la Garriga (opposite Ritz), Tostadera (Pza. Universidad), Restaurant Casa Jorba (lunch only, on roof of the Jorba Store), Glacier (in Pza. Maciá). For the Bohemians—Las Siete Puertas (Pza. Palacio), Los Caracoles, etc.

**Teas, sandwiches, etc.**—Granja Catalana—Soda Fountain and Hot sandwiches, good tea (Rda. San Pedro). Restaurant Casa Jorba, good tea; Bar Nuria, hot sandwiches. Bar Canaletas, hot sandwiches. Automatic Bars (3 in Ramblas) all kinds of sandwiches. Good moderate - priced cocktails at Boadas, top of Ramblas, including «Daiquiri».

**Music Halls**—These are mainly situated in the Paralelo and are generally of a daring nature. The better class cabarets are the

Stambul, Ba-ta-clan, Bombay, Hollywood. Some good Spanish dancing can often be seen at these places and also at the Excelsior in the Ramblas.

**Pelota Vasca**—This interesting Spanish game can be seen every afternoon and evening at either the Frontón Novedades or the Frontón Principal Palace. The first usually shows the game played with bats, and the second with *cestas* or baskets.

**Museums**—Museo d'Art de Catalunya, in Montjuich Park, Fine collection of mediæval art, extremely well arranged and lighted. Open from 9 to 1.30 every day except Monday, free on the second Sunday to each month. Museu de les Arts Decoratives, in Palace of Pedralbes. Open from 9 to 1.30 every day except Monday, free on the first Sunday of every month.

**Attractions**.—Maricel amusement park. Every night, all the fun of the fair.

**Dog Racing**.—Canodrome, Sol de Baix.—Guinardó Canodrome. — Kennel Club. All worth a visit.

**Cabaret**.—La Buena Sombra. Spain's best dance band, «Los Vagabundos» plays nightly, and the *Rumbera Eléctrica* will make you wonder how.

**Long Live the Queen!**

There is a very beautiful part of Spain which many persons do not realize as such, but which has just been rescued from any form of obscurity which might have threatened, and rescued in a most charming way. The Canary Islands, just off the African coast, are not a Spanish colony, but an authentic, officially recognized province of Spain, and it is from them that a lovely young girl came to the recent beauty contest, who accepted most gracefully the honour of being elected, by an overwhelming majority, to represent this country in the culminating contest recently held at Torquay.

If her photographs can be believed, the judges did not err when they gave to this vivacious beauty the title of Miss Europe. She has been snapped and posed in all manner of conditions, and under all manner of lights, but even the most trying of these could not conceal her obviously real charm. We who live here know the loveliness of the daughters of Spain, and now that one of them has at last been crowned Queen of all Europe's beauties, even the most hardy republicans are enthusiastically joining in the cry of Long Live the Queen!

**Barcelona Birthrate**

The birt rate in Barcelona, it is announced by the local authorities, is falling off to a serious degree. This is hardly perceptible to the naked eye, but we suppose it indicates a modern trend of some kind.

**Notice**

The American Chamber of Commerce in Spain has asked us to Announce that their office, Rambla Estudios 8, is now on summer schedule and will close at 2 p.m. daily.

**Highland Gathering**

July 15th. will see the opening of a Highland Gathering and Pageant at Douglas, Isle of Man. There will be all the usual pipers and eightsome reels. Visiting cats should watch out for their tails.

**Will YOU Help?**

Barcelona's great hospital for the poor, the Hospital Clínico, is in dire distress. For some time past receipts have been falling far below necessary running expenses, and now the Hospital is so deeply in debt that tradesmen have refused it further credit. An appeal is being made in every possible way to obtain help, and it gives us pleasure to add our voice to this, urging our readers to contribute if possible to this very worthy cause.

**From Mashie to Music**

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# CATALONIA FOR HOLIDAYS

## Holiday Suggestions

There are many sports in the Pyrenees that hold a special fascination of their own. Some are famed for winter sports and sink into insignificance during the summer. Others are gay summer resorts, much like mountain resorts anywhere else, though they have their own individuality, too. Such a one is Campardon, with its old bridge and still older church giving a serious touch to the bright modern life of vacation days there.

There is, however, one town in the Pyrenees which has, probably, no parallel in the world. This is Llivia, in the French province of Rousillon, four kilometers from Bourg-Madame. It is a quaintly picturesque place of great antiquity, the Julia Livia of Roman times, with twisting streets and a sternly simple ancient church, under the shadow of a castle which was ruined by the troops of Louis XI of France in their campaign against Perpignan. There are less than a thousand inhabitants, but they have their pride, a pride as justified in its way as that of the Andorrans, and they feel a great love and loyalty to their town.

The casual visitor who strays up the side road which leads to Llivia wonders at this pride until he learns the reason. It is one more of the anomalies of the map of Europe. The town's history is quite calm and uneventful, if one except Louis XI's siege, but there has been one unique event therein. In 1659, there was a war, one of the many between Spain and France, and when it was settled, the young king of France, Louis XIV, was married to Maria Teresa, the daughter of his late enemy Philip IV of Spain. The Treaty of the Pyrenees was not only the treaty of peace, but a marriage settlement, and the lady's dowry was the land which had been in dispute. For probably the only time in his diplomatic life, the great Cardinal Richelieu made a slip. The province of Rousillon,

«with all its villages», was an important part of the dowry.

Llivia received the news. Rousillon was to be French from that time on, but the people of Llivia, intensely Spanish, did not care for the prospect, and grumbled. Then came the exact word of the treaty, and someone saw the tiny flaw that would preserve them from the hate of their neighbours. Llivia was a «town» and not a «village», and only the villages had been ceded. The day had past when so small a place could resort to arms, but there was law in both lands, and to that they appealed. French and Spanish lawyers struggled with the problem, and could find no solution. Llivia was no village, and she wished to remain Spanish. Spanish she has so remained to this day, a little island of territory surrounded by France, but clinging to her nationality and her rights. It is an expensive luxury to both great republics to police, as they do, the neutral road which leads there, but the town does not care. Loyalty has been served, and strong patriotism, and Llivia claims proudly a place among the towns of interest in the *Spanish Pyrenees*.

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To:—The Editor.

Dear Sir,

As a reader interested in the future of the «Majorca Sun and Spanish News», may I make an appeal to other readers to send in to you their personal opinions on the following matter?

It seems to me that now, so shortly after the fusion of the two papers, is a good time to at least consider the fact that the paper at the moment is neither flesh, fish nor fowl—by that, I do not mean that it does not frequently contain articles and stories of considerable merit, but that in buying one's copy each week one is never quite sure of the sort of fare one is going to get. This, in a way, has its advantages. On the other hand, might it not be better to decide to run the paper one way or another on more definite lines—either all «high-brow», all «lowbrow» or merely a social and tourist's guide?

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Riding,

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In making a decision such as this it is always a help to have the opinions of readers, and I cannot help feeling that you have several supporters who will go to the comparatively small amount of trouble to write in and let you know what style of paper they prefer. I, for one, feel that a good «highbrow», but not heavy, weekly is greatly needed for the foreign colony in Spain and the Balearics. I will be interested to see how many agree or disagree with me.

Wishing you all success in the future—

Truly yours—

Reader

# OF PERSONAL INTEREST

P A L M A

The Bellver Gardens were quite lively on Tuesday evening when many people from the Mennig concert and the Fronton dropped in afterward for a dance and a «spot.» Most of the tables were full, and we saw around us Mr. and Mrs. «Joe», Major and Mrs. Gilson with their son, Sr. Descallier, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark, Mrs. Joan Malcolm, Miss Audrey Malcolm and Mr. and Mrs. Ole Buehle, Scandinavian artists on their honeymoon.

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Mr. Noble Clay expects to leave to-day or to-morrow for the United States and his vacation. Mrs. Clay and his mother are already over there, and we hope to have them all back early in October. Don't raise any false hopes, in the meantime, the gas and electric bills come around just as regularly.

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The Children's Summer Camp organized by Capt. Allen Roselló is now in full swing. The youngsters are having the time of their lives. Football, tennis, and swimming are indulged in, and in spite of the abundance of shade afforded by the thick pine trees the boys have developed a tan that would make the average beach bather look anaemic. It's a case of early to bed and early to rise and there will be many a mother who will not know her own son by the time the camp breaks up at the end of August.

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Last Saturday the Vidal Quadras', on the spur of the moment, organized a small party, inviting a few friends up to Genova in the evening to meet Juan Belmonte, who is an old friend of Xavier Quadras. It was a most pleasant evening, the guests sat around on the big terrace and sipped an excellent punch run up by Sr. Quadras. They earnestly tried to put Sr. Belmonte at his ease with their best Spanish. His difficulty on the following day may have been due to writer's cramp acquired at the party at which he signed practically everything movable. We, who tortured him as well with our feeble Spanish, found him most simpático, entirely unaffected and decidedly interesting to talk to. We spoke of almost everything and found that he was not only interested in bulls and how to kill them but in Spain itself, its politics, women and all sorts of things. It was decidedly refreshing after talking with some of America's professionals of sport. Those that found their way to Genova to shake Sr. Belmonte by the hand and were at the ring next day to gasp when his first bull tossed him high in the air included Mrs. Yvonne Bower, and her sister, Dr. and Mrs. Verner, Mr. N.C.L. Mather, Mr. Chiesa, Mrs. Liebling, Mrs. Mary Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Owen, Major Charles Goetz and son «Ronnie» with Mrs. «Ronnie», and Sr. Romero with whom Belmonte had dined.

When the summer camp of the Ecole Internationale at Porto Pi starts gaily out at the end of the month, under the excellent guidance of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ogden, there will be great rejoicing amongst the young pupils for the popular Sam, son of Mrs. Donald Newhall, will be back again with them. We also understand that when the British Vice-Consul, Mr. Lynn W. Franklin, and his wife leave again for Barcelona after their visit here, which starts on the 16th., they will leave their young hopeful in the same excellent hands.

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Miss Ruth Philpots, who has been a member of the teaching staff of the Ecole Internationale for the last year, left for home on the *Moldavia*. We are sorry to learn that she does not intend returning to Mallorca in the near future and without a doubt her bright personality will be missed by her pupils to whom she became most endeared.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rose have given up their house here and intend taking a flat in London and trying life again in the old country.

Their house in La Portassa has been taken for the period of six months by Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, who arrived on the Island from Nigeria.

\*\*\*

Mrs. Constance Larymore has departed for Nice and intends spending the summer there. She says she does not expect to return for the winter as she is going to explore other pastures. Her friends here trust that there is no truth in this statement as Mrs. Larymore has become almost an institution in Mallorca.

\*\*\*

Mrs. Anley is being kept busy with bridge pupils. Quite a number of visitors here on the Island are taking advantage of the quiet season to really study the science of the game, and under Mrs. Anley's most efficient tuition we may expect to see Palma very much on the map of the bridge world next winter.

\*\*\*

The Mallorca Lawn Tennis Club is holding a *Verbena* in the grounds of the club on Monday next at 9.p.m. The Secretary will be glad to give any information to those who wish for further particulars, as the Club wants to make the *fiesta* a whole-hearted success.

## NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS

Consul Lynn W. Franklin, of the American Consulate General, Barcelona, expects to be at the Hotel Victoria, Palma de Mallorca, for three days beginning July 16th. prepared to meet the needs of American citizens for official services customarily required of Consuls.

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Miss Aileen Wall took a party of friends to Camp de Mar on Tuesday for tea and a swim. There is some of the best bathing on the Island to be had at the Playa of Camp de Mar.

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Mr. Moreford of Leeds is staying at Cala Mayor for a few days. Mr. Moreford is a big boot and shoe man and it is possible that his pleasure trip to the Island will also be combined with business.

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The Almudaina was well filled on Tuesday evening when a large portion of the foreign colony was present to hear Mme. Helen Garrett Mennig's piano recital. Among those who were fortunate enough to hear Mme. Mennig were: Miss. Edith Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark, Mrs. Nelly Hutter, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Herron, Mr. Porcel, Mr. Nicholas, Mr. and Mrs. Pflaum, Mr. and Mrs. Deyer, Mr. and Mrs. Ainsa, Miss Lawrence, Miss Gorska, Mr. and Mrs. Sadee, Mr. Morton, Miss Jennings and Mrs. «Kitty» Nell and her daughter Emelita».

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Champagne flowed, and we mean really *flowed* in the early hours of Friday morning at Lena's when Mr. Croissant, in the midst of a harmless game of contract suddenly remembered that it was his birthday, or at least the day just closed had been his *cumpleaños*. The bridge gradually became a bit less tense, if we may say so, and eventually was given up altogether in the ardent desire of everyone to celebrate suitably such a solemn occasion.

\*\*\*

Mrs. Anne Boman-Burns leaves today for Paris to catch up her young daughter who has recently had two operations and is now recovering. They are going on a bit of a tour around France before returning here in time to meet Mrs. Burns' small son who comes to Mallorca for the summer as soon as his school closes.

\*\*\*

Mrs. Jacques Desaulnier leaves today for Montreal and Mr. «Jacques». Though she expects to return in November she has given up her beautiful home in Genova. We'll miss her.

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Mrs. Helen Mennig sails for America today with her son John who has long been a scholar at the Ecole Internationale.

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**MUSIC AND ART**

**Helen Garrett Mennig**

I enjoyed Madame Helen Garrett Mennig's recital at the Almudaina Palace last Tuesday night for two reasons—the old Palace is very beautiful and restful and so was Madame Mennig's piano playing. She is an artist with an exceptional delicacy of tone, sensibility and, above all, femininity. Her pianissimos are as delicate as filigree, though her artistry lacks the rude health and vigour which Beethoven demands. Her technical capabilities were well displayed in the second *etude* of Chopin and the Liszt. I feel that this very pleasing artist should specialize, for her playing is so admirably suited to the romanticism of Chopin and the nebular charm of Debussy. I would very much like to hear her in the modern and I would also have liked to hear her on a concert grand.


**What Shall I Order To-Day?**

Sometimes, this hot weather food seems a superfluous matter, and the ordering of it a positive torture. One's mind flies to well-run hotels in the cool heights of the mountains, where the daily apparition of the enquiring face of one's cook cannot possibly loom up, calling upon one to think and reconsider all the dishes in the world in an ever increasing mood of complete repulsion.

From the vicinity of the Tyrolean mountains there come dishes which may be a help in these times of light menus. Two of them are delicious *patés* which are well worth consideration. Eaten alone with salad, or in combination as sandwiches they are equally tasty.

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of salt. When fried put it while still hot through a mincing machine and add 1/2 teaspoonful of red pepper. Mix it with a knife into a smooth paste. Place in rinsed teacup, press down firmly and turn out into a mound.

**Primsemkase**

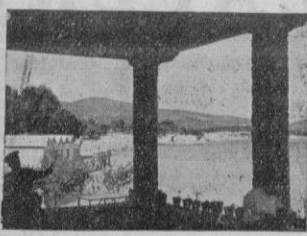
Take 6 ozs. of *drained* sour milk (the curds), mix with a good pinch of salt. 1/2 teaspoonful of finely chopped shallot (or small onions). Mix into a smooth salmon pink paste with a knife.

Pat in into a neat square mound and serve with the liver paste.

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## Companionship

Well, here I am again, as someone used to annoyingly repeat every Christmas of my dear, dark childhood. «With Grimm and Andersen across Darkest Childhood...» Now, what could have made that come into my head, I wonder? Perhaps I come here too often. Must have been those drinks last night—Kiki's new stock is not all that it might be. Everybody says so. Of course, we did drink a lot, but then we always do. I suppose a bar like Kiki's lives on drinks, anyway. Someone buys you a drink and then you buy everybody within appealing distance a drink and it's all perfectly divinely boring and devastating to one's figure and bank manager but what can you do? I always say that in a small place like this if you don't go around a bit you simply go to seed. And of course one simply doesn't do that sort of thing. At least, not in my family. But Kiki's a good hard worker and I like the place, I really do... Not a soul around I know. What's happened? It must be late or early or something. I wish I could make up my mind whether to sit at the bar or a table. Life can be so difficult, perhaps it would be easier at a table. Oh, dear! That settles it—one simply can't sit at a bar with a ladder. Not in a stocking, anyway. A real ladder might be a good idea to help some of these hefty dames on and off their perches. I'll tell Kiki about it. Maybe she'll make a fortune.... Ah, that's better. I wonder if there's too much light in my face for that new eyeshadow? Well, let's hope someone interesting will come soon, if its only to sit between me and the light... Oh! Oh! I simply can't bear it! How perfectly frightfully ghastly. Of all people—and she's heading straight this way, as usual. Surely if she knows what I've been saying about her in confidence behind her back she'll never have the nerve—but then she always insists on sitting at my table. I feel like Andromache or Michel Arlen or was it Houdini who was always in chains and couldn't get out?... Perhaps if I sit perfectly still and stare at the nuts she'll think I'm not really here.....

Oh, HELLO, dear. How divine to see you. Where have you been hiding yourself? Why, of course you may. Why, certainly. Please do. I'd adore you to. Don't be silly, of course I want you to. No, really, I'm not expecting anybody interesting to sit here—not at the moment, that is. Oh—OH! It's alright. I just thought, when you stepped back like that, you would get that

tray of cocktails down your neck. Do sit down and let's put some down the right way. Just give me that book and my gloves and bag and those three packets and the cigarettes off that chair and sit on it—there—thank you. They never seem to have anywhere to put anything here, do they? No, it's alright, dear, sit down. I'll give them to the waiter when he comes. What will you have, dear? Oh, no, please—this is my table, isn't it? The same as usual? Double, isn't it? I thought so—no, really, I'm delighted to talk to someone.....

Really, we can't go on much longer like this, just mouthing and grinning at each other. It's always the same. But what can one do? I feel just like a cardboard cut-out. And I bet she hardly even remembers my name. She just wants to be seen sitting with me. She doesn't take into consideration whether I want to be seen sitting with her. But what can one say? «Oh, darling, I'm so sorry, but would you mind not sitting here? I'm just about to sing the Jewel Song from Faust.» Oh dear oh dear oh DEAR! Smile, you fool, smile, SMILE. I suppose we're going on smiling together like this till death do us part. Heaven won't seem such a baroque place after all. What can I do? I bet if I ground up that broken glass under my heel and put it in her drink she'd get a kick out of it. This is getting me down. I can feel that facial gently breaking up into millions of little expensive cracks. I must look like something the cat would rather leave outside. Climbing Mount Everest would be like coming into two fortunes compared with this.....

Oh, yes, dear, absolutely. Quite.

I can't possibly go on with this much longer. Her jaw must work on ball bearings. One can't possibly go on for ever telling her she's perfectly right, and that's the only answer she leads up to. Even if the law of average is slightly out of date she surely must be perfectly wrong soon. She's been slightly wrong

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all her life. But what can one say? «Yes, dear. And now, do tell me—how is that dear little daughter of yours with the cross-eyes? Oh, that isn't your daughter? Somebody else's? How splendid. That saves a lot of trouble, doesn't it? Come on, anyway, let's celebrate the centennial of our meeting here to-day—it's been all the same for a hundred years....» Of course, it's her fault I'm going off my head. I really must be firm. And I won't come here again. There are plenty of other places with much better air and accommodation. Oh, that terrible voice! If it goes on much longer I'll not be responsible for anybody's actions—hers or mine or anybody else's, for that matter. She reminds me of a foghorn on a clear day.....

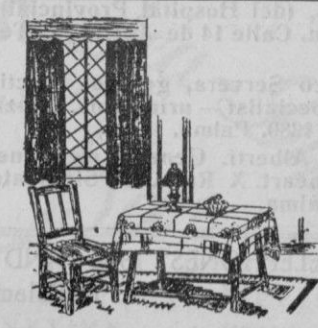
Yes, dear, but of course I've heard every word you've said. And you're perfectly right. Perfectly. What, dear? Oh, yes, of course I'm coming here for the gala to-morrow night. I wouldn't miss that for anything in the world. You're coming, too, of course? That's too perfectly divinely marvellous! You'll sit at my table, naturally? Ah, that's perfectly miraculous—everything's going to be simply divine. Oh, thank you so much, yes, I'd love to have dinner with you here Thursday—all right, this same table. I'm beginning to feel as though it were made to measure for us. All right—eight o'clock Thursday. Oh, my dear! I'm so terribly sorry, I completely forgot. That's the night I promised to dine here with Dick—er - why, no, of course not. Why, do join our table for coffee. Don't be silly, there's nothing like that between Dick and me. No, truly, we'd love to have you - it will make everything simply perfectly divine. All right, I'll dine with you the following night, then. Yes, right here, where I'm sitting. And all the other nights, too, if you like, and perhaps we might throw in a lunch or two, and please, please, please don't forget to remember not to sit at my table ever again, will you? Thank you so much! How perfectly gorgeously divine.....

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«Filler»

I believe many readers realize that, in most magazines, a space sometimes occurs on a page when the edition is being made up. There it is, and it has to be filled. And this is one of them. Nobody will be able to appreciate this sort of thing better than my esteemed colleague and late editor of THE MAJORCA SUN, Mr. Geoffrey Holdsworth, who, in his exceedingly well written and interesting story entitled «The Eternal Question», which we published last week, informed me that I had made one or two mistakes in my bullfight article of a week or two back. I would like to be allowed to take up this space in talking the matter out a little more.

I do not believe I have seen so many fights as has Mr. Holdsworth, but I do appreciate his obviously sincere love of the business and his most sensitive and graphic style both in talking and writing about it. But, having talked with one or two experienced *aficionados* and a few gentlemen of the press who happen to be here at the moment (none of them connected with this office, by the way) I find, most astonishingly, that I am backed up in my opinions by several people whose word I value as I do Mr. Holdsworth's.

For instance, there is this question as to whether or not you are right when you call bullfighting a «sport.» The Spanish do not call it a sport—correct. «Sport» is not a Spanish word, and there is no actual translation for the word «sport» in the American or English sense. The equivalent, as used on the sporting pages of most Spanish newspapers, is *deporte*, which really means «diversion, amusement or pastime.» That is just the sense in which I used the word «sport» a paragraph or so after I had actually referred to bullfighting as the «national pastime.»

Another point to which I cannot agree is that in which Mr. Holdsworth states that the bull is most dangerous at the moment when the matador goes in to kill. I cannot help feeling that there is not much difference at this stage between the worn-out bull and a man who has received several rapidly repeated and hard knocks on the head, and elsewhere. Mentally he may be more dangerous, but I doubt if he is so physically.

I share with Mr. Holdsworth his great admiration for Lalanda. To my mind he is the finest fighter I have yet had the privilege to watch. But it is

**CAPTAIN KANE**

**Takes Incarceration Philosophically**

Captain A. W. Kane of the British freighter, *Brompton Manor*, is still in the local jail. He was sentenced last week by the Tribunal de Urgencia in Palma to a term of 2 years and eleven months imprisonment for resisting arrest. This came about as a result of a dispute over a small check in a café in Mahon, Menorca. The court's decision was at once appealed to Madrid, and pending advice from there every effort has been made to secure Captain Kane's release on bail. So far these attempts have met with no success.

In the meantime prison officials have treated their charge with every consideration and he has been well taken care of. They have been extremely decent in allowing him to see visitors and these visitors and correspondants have kept him supplied with reading matter, tobacco and other things for his comfort. In short everything possible has been done to help him, but none of these efforts have done more than alleviate to a slight extent the boredom that is his.

We found him to be something of a philosopher.

«Possibly,» he said, «a time like this is good for a man. Here I am imprisoned, I honestly believe, unjustly, longing to get out but my impatience leads to nowhere. I must content myself to wait, amuse myself and simply make the best of it.»

Possibly his faith as a Christian Scientist has more than a little to do with his philosophical acceptance of his present situation.

The Press of England has had his case on its front pages daily, telephone and cable wires have hummed as thousands of words of copy went out. Reporters have arrived here by boat and plane and interviewed everyone no matter how slightly connected with the case. One English columnist, Viscount Castlerosse, devoted several paragraphs to a particularly violent, ill-timed and, to us at least, stupid attack on Mallorca. Castlerosse, who to the best of our knowledge spent some four hours in all on the Island during two of which he reclined against the counter at Cooks, describes Mallorca as being the place of continual strikes and as being particularly devoid of beauty. It is true that the view from the door of Cook's is not particularly entrancing but had the Viscount spent a portion of his time among the pines of Camp de Mar or on the beach at Formentor possibly the public would have been spared this dash of aristocratic venom.

R. M. G.

interesting to note that if you ask any *aficionado* in Madrid whom he considers Spain's best bullfighter the chances are pretty high that the answer will be «Ortega», with Barrera third on the list.

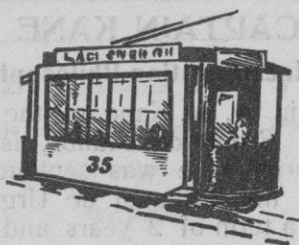
I am right with Mr. Holdsworth in hoping that the great spectacle of the *corrida* will never be abolished in my time. But I also hope that I will be left free to go or not, as I choose.

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Senor Estrany gave a dinner party aboard his yacht on Sunday night, The guests were Miss Baird, Miss Dextor, Miss Laurens, Senor Juan Segui Mr. and Miss Wallace and Senor Esteva, who has been spending a few days aboard the yacht with Senor Estrany. The *piece de resistance* came when one of the guests, seeing the bathing party enjoying themselves in the water and not wishing to be out of it, dived in fully dressed.

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As we write an American Tennis Tournament is in progress, the result of which is at present a very open question. The prizes are two handsome silver cups, presented by Senor Esteva.

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Whatever certain portions of the English Press may have to say against Mallorca during this particular moment of high feeling due to the imprisonment here of Captain Kane, and Viscounts notwithstanding, the steady stream of tourists continues.

Thursday last was Palma's busiest day for a long time, for the Hamburg-South American ship *Monte Pascoal* came in with 930 tourists aboard. They poured into Palma's streets early in the morning, in the heat of noon and later as twilight began to fall. Statisticians figured that up to twelve o'clock midday, a total of 2,790 pictures had been taken of the Cathedral, or three for every man, woman and child; that the number of pith-helmets worn in Palma on that day showed an increase of some 500% and that if the blisters acquired from sunburn Thursday were placed side by side they would have reached and reached.

All the guests-for-a-day seemed to be having a good time and appeared to appreciate the beauties of Palma. Here's a welcome to them and a goodbye. May they all come again.

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It was just at this critical moment that a most beautiful, shiny sort of a fire-escape on spidery wheels hove into sight, trundled by two go-ahead looking gentlemen. The large sign upon it said, so far as we could make out, that the use of the ladder could be had under special terms to «members of the Society.»

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**Invasion of Boy Scouts**

The commissioner of the Boy Scouts, Capt. Francisco Rosselló, has received notice from Professor R. Flamin, of the *Ecole Internationale de Lyon*, that he is arriving in Palma from Tarragona on the 18th. with thirty campers. They will pitch their tents near the present camp of Capitain Rosselló at Bendinat, Las Illetas.

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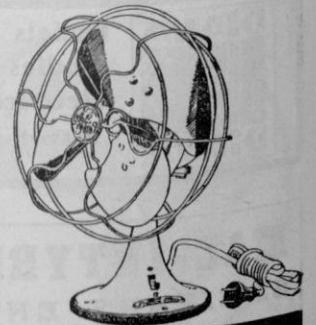
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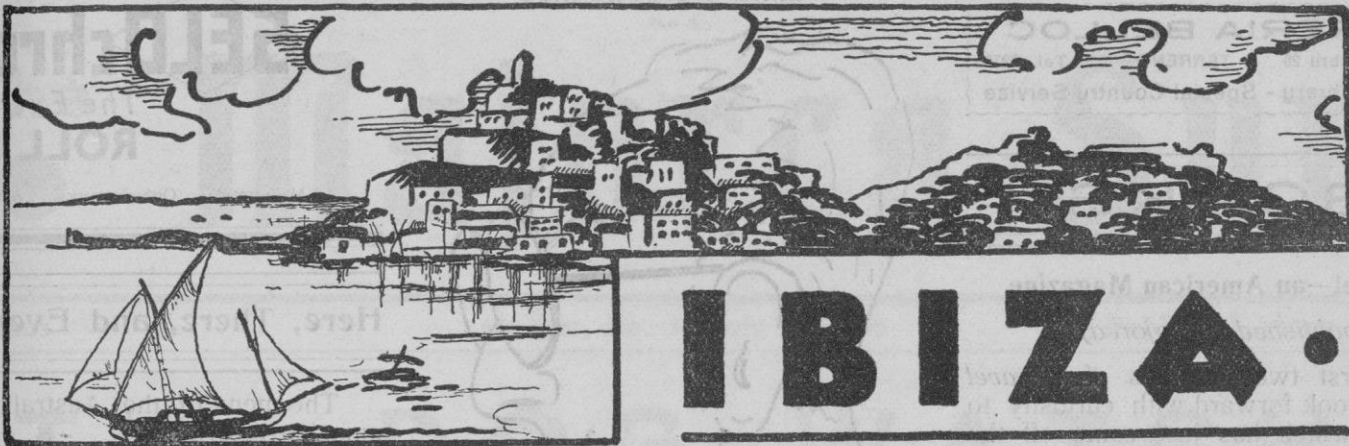
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At the Grand Hotel are: Studienrat Friedrich Heinze, Dr. Phulmann, Mr. Kurt Prien, Studienrat Wollenburg, Dr. Hans Marschan, Mrs. Güttler, Mrs. Mantke.

Mr. Roche and Mrs. Roche, his mother, have left for Geneva intending to remain there for two months.

The Swiss actor and producer R. Pfister, after having stayed for some time at San Jorge, has now taken a house for a year in Santa Eulalia.

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New arrivals at the Costa Brava include Mr. William Carot, and Mr. Geoffrey Gomer. Mr. Gomer is on a short vacation before returning to Lon-

don to seek fresh laurels in the theatre. He appeared in Galsworthy's «The Family Man» and in «The Distaff Side» with Miss Sybil Thorndyke.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Bealey is still laid up with a bad foot. He didn't, however, allow a small thing like this to keep him from the bull-fight last Sunday. The walking which this trip entailed hurt his foot badly.

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**Caravel—an American Magazine**

(published in Majorca)

The first two numbers of *Caravel* made me look forward with curiosity to the third, which has just come off the press. I found the white and green cover cool and attractive, and have only one small plea to make concerning it. Perhaps my old Thespian training is proving too much for me, but I could not help feeling that the manner in which the list of contributors is placed at the bottom—«so-and-so, so-and-so, so-and-so AND Sydney Salt»—was too reminiscent of a poster for a second-rate vaudeville show to have anything to do with *Caravel*.

The present number is with one notable exception (*Diapason*, by Blakeston) composed entirely of poems.

Poetry is that one of the fine arts which employs rhythmical language as the medium of its expression. According to the Greeks (if I dare mention such people alongside of disciples of Gertrude Stein and Joyce) a poet was «a maker or composer», and poetry «a thing made or finished.» The poems in *Caravel* are, naturally, made—and the mere fact that they are bravely made is at least one excuse for their existence—and if they seem unfinished to some it is, perhaps, a matter of education.

To the old school it was only by license, and in a sense which was unscientific, that we could speak of anything which was not composed in verse as poetry. The poems in *Caravel* of Charles Henri Ford, James Laughlin IV., David Cornel DeJong, Etta Blum, Oswell Blakeston, Forrest Andersen and Sydney Salt all would make the old school turn under its cobwebs. Personally I obtained a distinct sensation from Anderson's «Phosphorous,» and the excerpts from the work in preparation of Sidney Salt, «The New Land,» made me look forward to the next number.

*Caravel* is a good effort to distribute the works of people who in themselves at least must be sincere, and as such is commendable. It has followed the lead given by that highly successful monthly, «Story,» recently published here by Whit Burnett and Martha Foley and now transplanted to New York. It will be interesting to note just how far *Caravel* will advance against the inevitable obstacles which must confront it.

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The bull now has a teetotal rival with a taste for lubricating oil. «Blossom,» a house cow, is owned by a farmer and when recently a gallon of lubricating oil which had been left in a tin disappeared the farmer little dreamt that the thief would appear in a cow's hide. When next the cow was milked, however, the oily state of the milk aroused suspicions, and further tests proved conclusively that Blossom had turned into an oil drinker. The oil is now put out of the cow's reach.

The apparent apathy of the present House of Commons is curious.

Under discussion recently was a matter of £60,000,000 concerning the Royal Navy.

At the beginning of the discussion about a hundred members were present. They dwindled to sixty or seventy. Presumably they knew that no important political issue was at stake.

When asked if anyone was in the lobby, the lobby correspondents reported, «Nobody.»

A rhinoceros, who shall be nameless, is stuck fast in a swamp at Nairobi. The newspaper reports say that unless the beast is shot he will starve to death.

Could not the R. S. P. C. A. arrange to dispatch an airship to Nairobi so that hunks of delicious meat might be dropped from a great height into the capacious mouth of the expectant monster?

The man who will shoot a hungry rhinoceros shall never darken, nay, pollute the doors of our editorial office.

Quaint things are always happening to Lord Castlerosse. Last year he went to the Four Arts Ball dressed in skins. Returning to his hotel he says that he nearly frightened out of her wits a maiden lady whom he met in the corridor.

«My God!» she cried.  
«Yes, madame,» he replied, «but strictly incognito.» And passed haughtily to his room.

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