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Captain Kane Spins a Yarn

OME in, come in, I'm only too glad to have someone to talk to. I'm not thinking of turning myself into a monk or anything like that. Ever since I became front page news I have sat back and wondered what it was all about. Sometimes it seems like a huge joke to me, that I should be causing so much disturbance and so much running around. I've had lots more waiting on since I've been here than ever before. Take the chair. There, that's better. No, I'll take beer, if it's all the same. I prefer it to strong liquor. Once I wrote an article for a Belfast paper against prohibition, having come to the conclusion in my experience as a captain that a good shot of rum when a man is cold and «all in» is the best medicine in the world. Once I saved a man's life with rum. I had the *Monarch of York* then and we put in at Odessa with a load of rice from Rangoon. The Chief Engineer was very sick and we took him to the hospital and left him there. I had to go along the coast and then come back to Odessa to clear for London. When I got back they told me the Chief was dying and I went to see him. I took all his clothes figuring to locate them there with clothes, figuring to leave them there with him. He signed off the articles, and I was about to leave when I thought I couldn't leave the poor fellow there to die alone. picked him up, bundled him into a cab and carried him on board. Every half hour for two days I gave him a spoonful of rum- and he got well

Yes, I've been under sail. Went to sea in May and in September celebrated my fourteenth birthday as we were crossing meridian, 180 so I had two. I was first mate at 19, and master of my own ship at 27. Perhaps you'd like to see my papers, the time I was lieutenant in the British Navy. They aren't any good to me now, I just carry them around as a sort of—well, I suppose as a sort of reminder.

Disarmament? Oh, I don't know. It's my opinion that arms or alcohol can be most harmful in the wrong hands, but just the opposite if properly handled.

It's funny my getting in a mix-up in Menorca, because I am a direct descendant of Lt.-Col. Kane who was Governor of the Island for a long while. It



seems the people over there think pretty highly of him and say that he was the best governor Menorca had under the English.

There's something about the sea that makes a man think. Maybe it's because it's so big or maybe it is that a man has so much time to do his thinking. At any rate a good many nights and I guess daytimes, too, a man gets to sort of thinking about things and it sure is funny to where all this thought leads him.

You may think I'm crazy when I tell you what I believe America and England ought to do, but I'm not the only one that feels the same way about it so maybe it's not so crazy after all. Just think what a team they would make—England and America, all one—why, they could rule the world. There'd be no more wars than you could shake a stick at.

In the case of the present struggle about to be staged in Abyssinia it seems to me that there are only two ways of effecting a settlement, either to go ahead and fight or for one or other of the parties to give way. It is no use fixing up a truce and only putting off the evil day to some future occasion when the

conflict will be more intense and deadly. If, on the other hand, one or the other of these nations were to issue a proclamation stating, «We as a Christian people having in mind that war is diametrically opposed to all precepts of our faith hereby declare that we will not engage in any such crime, and that we are placing ourselves in a state of complete defenselessness having faith in the unseen force that has protected us in the past.» I say that such a nation could claim to have won the greatest victory in history.

Yes, I had a letter from my wife in Ireland this morning, and another from my brother. My wife travels around the coast with me, but she doesn't like the sea very much and never goes on any long voyages. My boy — he's just eighteen now, and he doesn't like the sea either. He's training to be an electrical engineer. He's in school, now, and so is his sister.

You folks have been here quite a while in Mallorca? That's a darn good little paper you've got there—The Spanish News and Majorca Sun—and I sure wish you the best of luck with it.»

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Paris staged three tremendous celebrations on Sunday last, the forty-sixth anniversary of the fall of the Bastile.

The celebrations, inspired respectively by the nation's power, the old revolutionary spirit of France and the modern authoritarian tendencies, were probably the greatest ever held in Paris. Not since the Victory Parade of 1919 has such a show of military force been seen. Fifty thousand soldiers and sailors marched down the *Champs-Elysees* in review formation, while overhead roared every available military plane. Over 600 units of the air force took part in this aerial show.

In the afternoon 150,000 men, women and children passed slowly through the streets in an anti-Fascist demonstration and over 60,000 took part in a nationalistic parade shouting themselves hoarse with cries of «Vive la Rocque.»

Lunar Eclipse

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landed gold bars and sovereigns at Plymouth early in the week to the extent of 45, 000 pounds. This is treasure which has been recovered from the Indian mail steamer Egypt lying on the sea bottom off Ushant. The work has been carried out at a depth of 400

feet by means of suction and it is figured that about $98^{\circ}/_{\circ}$ of all gold and silver aboard her has been recovered.

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At Spithead

On Tuesday England's greatest Naval Review took place at Spithead as H.M. King George on the Royal yacht steamed slowly through the lanes between Great Britain's fighting ships. The Home Fleet, the Reserve Fleet and the ships of the Mediterranean Squadron took part in the review. These ships are manned by more than 40,000 officers and men who represent 43% of Great Britain's military force afloat. The Review was not limited strictly to ships of war. There were as well, the Royal research ship *Discovery*, the *Bluenose* of the Canadian fishing fleet and the 53 year old yacht *Amaryllis*, in which the late Lt. Mullhauser made his trip around the world.

It was estimated that more than 100,000 people from London alone made the journey to Spithead to witness this impressive pageant. Every available excursion steamer was crowded, and special trains ran from Waterloo Station all day carrying eager sight-seers. Private yachts were on hand in great number, each having been assigned its berth long since

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New York Suffers in the Heat

Manhattan and its environs sweltered over last week-end under its severest heat wave in years. While the actual temperature was in the low nineties the humidity was very high, which makes New York City practically impossible. Over 2,000,000 of New Yorkers sought the nearby beaches, with a resulting toll of twelve deaths from drowning. At Coney Island alone over a million sought the comparative relief of the beach.

China Flood Victims

Over 30,000 deaths have been reported as a result of the latest floods in the Hankow district of China. The Yangstze River is still rising and further territory is menaced as dikes are threatening to give way.

Further Mobilization

Italy has mobilized an additional two divisions for service in Abyssinia. In addition extraordinary manœuvres involving 600,000 troops are planned at home. Pilots and air mechanics of the classes of 1910 and 1912 have also been called. All this comes as a short answer to the Franco-British plea for peace.

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The arrival of summer in all its glory has caused a mild panic at the Estación de Francia. England and the Jubilee festivities have been the goal of most of the deserters amongst whom are Mrs. Millar, Mrs. Woodburn, Mr. Burgoyne, and many others.

Mrs. Wihl, who postponed her departure a week, left on Monday for England, gallantly escorted by young John Barrington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Barrington.

The highways into France have also seen many a car bound for the U. K., Mr. and Mrs. Currell, the Hon. Ladislaw and Mrs. Pringle, and several others having chosen this way to make the journey.

Mr. John Parsons, who celebrated his 90th. birthday recently, is spending a few weeks at his country home near Torrelló, where he is superintending the harvest, as well as indulging in a little quiet fishing.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Webb have taken a flat at Ribas del Fresser for the summer. Last week-end they were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, who motored up from Barcelona.

The proximity of the fish shoals to the coast these days has tempted quite a number of members of the colony to go out with the fleet. Good catches have been made, and subsequently devoured.

Mr. Cheshire, who was taken suddenly ill last week and was obliged to go to hospital, is now, we are glad to say, well on the road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Witty and their daughters are leaving shortly for England.

Mr. William Stirling, accompanied by Mr. Dobby, intends to make a short stay in Barcelona in the near future. Mr. Stirling has been lecturing at the International Summer School, at Santander, under the auspices of the Spanish Gov-

A long and welcome letter from Miss Clara Casey, former Barcelona resident, gives her present address as High Wycombe, Bucks, England. At present she is working with Professor Carr Ember on a treatize on the Semitic influences in English social life. Prof. Ember, whose «History of Rockaway» and «The Brighton of George V.» have caused so much comment, is an enthusiast on Spain. He and Miss Casey hope to visit Barcelona before autumn for the purpose of obtaining material in connection with their work, and also to renew their acquaintance with the many American and British friends who knew them when they were here two years ago.

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Mrs. Jordain and her children have left Barcelona for Lloret de Mar, on the Costa Brava, where they will spend some three weeks.

Mr. Kendall Park returned from Palma yesterday.

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through La Junquera.

The special performance of Jazz promoted by the Hot Club on Thursday night was a great success. The Astoria Ciné was almost filled to capacity by Jazz fans who heartily responded to the excellent short films of famous orchestras which formed the first part of the programme. Much applause, also, was accorded the «Vagabundos» orchestra, composed entirely of Spaniards, which was formed recently to prove that good Jazz in Spain is a pleasant reality. They had to repeat «*The Moon is Green*» three times. Quite a number of the younger members of the Anglo-American colony were present.





Amongst those who have received Chain Letters this week are—but no, the list is too long. We wonder if this is an indication that the silly season is upon us again.

On Friday Miss Gross and Miss Sanford returned to Barcelona from Paris where they have been staying with Miss Cross' uncle, the Hon. Cecil M. P. Cross. After a short stay in Barcelona they will start on an extensive motor tour through Spain.

News has reached us that Mr. Peter Richards has been appointed to the Midland Bank, at Norwich, England. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Richards are spending their summer in the neighborhood of the same old market town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caragol and family have moved to their summer house at Vallvidrera. Their son, John, is looking forward to mastering the intricacies of the sardana while there.

The Rev. D. Jones has returned from his holiday in Wales.

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Mr. and Mrs. Basil Evans are leaving Barcelona early next month. Their new home will be in England.

Little Míss Gíllespie who was taken suddently ill at the end of last week-end operated on for appendicitis at the Enfermeria Evangélica, is progressing satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Eddy's tiny daughter, Margot, is also better, we are pleased to report.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardwicke, who have been spending some months in Palma, arrived in Barcelona yesterday en route for Ribas, where they propose to stay for a few weeks before proceeding to England.

We regret to report the illness of Mr. Hughes, who is suffering from a poisoned foot.

Tuesday, the 16th., was the dia del Carmen. Though not an official holiday it was marked by many private entertainments, for many of Spain's daughters bear this name, among them the Duquesa de la Victoria.

This most distinguished aristocrat, it will be remembered, equipped and ran at her own expense a military Hospital in Melilla during the Riff War.

An Englishwoman who visited this hospital a few years ago was much impressed by the thoroughly up-to-dateness of all the medical and surgical installation, which included the latest X Ray appliances and sterilizing plants.

On the advent of the Republic the Duquesa placed her large estate in the hands of the farm workers who lived on it. The success of this experiment has helped to make her even more popular in Spain.

H. B. M. Consul General Mr. Norman King has returned to Barcelona from England. Mrs. King and their two children will remain some time before returning to Spain.

Mr. William A. Conkright, Officer of the Staff of the American Treasury Attaché in Paris, is visiting Spain together with Mrs. Conkright. At present they are making extensive trips through Cataluña, with Barcelona as headquarters.

Among the guests at the Ritz this week are Sr. Martinez Sierra, famous author of «Cradle Song», and Sta. Catalina Barcena, the Spanish actress who has recently added to her fame in Hollywood.

Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Ingram, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Mills for several weeks, left on Saturday last for Paris. They expressed themselves as enchanted with Spain, which they visited for the first time.

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Athletics

The foreign successes at the White City proved once more that unless England takes the field events less lightheartedly there will be few Union Jacks flying in Berlin. On the contrary, we more than held our own in the sprints and the distance events. The defeat of Lovelock was a surprise to many, but when a runner throws up his head ten yards from home there is nothing more to be said. There has seldom been a more brilliant collection of milers and sprinters than those who are pulverizing records in this year of Grace. Sweeney beat Sir but he will have to break ten seconds in order to beat the negro runner in the Olympic. The problem which confronts European athletes is how to compete against the records which are being set by the yellow and black runners and jumpers. The Japanese are sending a contingent of 300 representatives to Berlin and it is possible that the United States will have to fight hard to guard their laurels as Olympic Champions. It is to be hoped that the war clouds will disperse and that International rivalries may be peacefully settled in a sporting fashion on the wonderful territory which the Germans have spared no expense to provide for next year.

Rowing

Looking back over Henley I cannot foresee any grounds for optimism in the Olympic struggles. The Swiss oarsmen, who are a beautiful crew with wonderful boat control, rode away from the best that England could produce. There is something wrong with English rowing. In the medley of styles and the futile discussions as to the relative merits of seats and how oars should be swung, we seem to have lost the bulldog breed of rowers who were able to extend themselves to the last gasp. In these days when people talk about athelete's heart and prefer that a man should be a Senior Wrangler rather than a Blue, the lesson that the Public School spirit means more than the Public School tie and that losing is not the only English virtue has been forgotten.

The passing of Nickalls has deprived us of one of the greatest oarsmen and finest sportsmen of recent years. Another of the old Corintians has passed to the shades. We can think pleasantly of Charon relinquishing the oar to him and the welcoming crowd of happy warriors on the bank as he makes his last trip. Never were weeds so disturbed, never was there such a happy crew, peace to his ashes!

Cricket

I foresee the day when women's cricket will take the centre page. We must remember the 20,000 enraptured spectators cheering Mrs. Moody's comeback at Wimbledon. Mrs. Ryan has gone professional. Perhaps Wyatt might find the true sphere coaching Harrow. Cricket has become a ladies' game and I would rather watch Miss Jacobs losing on the Centre Court than see English pride rolled in the dust at Leeds.

Is England Decadent at Sport?

Are we becoming C3 in other things as well? I don't believe it, but the tragedy is that the schools who ought to be the nurseries of the Corinthian spirit are becoming infected with professionalism and effeminacy. The old games master at least had enthusiasm and a heavy foot. The modern coach is a technician without the ability to inculcate the true principles which eliminate the unhealthy mind in the unhealthy body.

Swimming

Is a man faster in fresh or salt water? Some experiments with my tame duck have led to confusing results which are capable of several interpretations. With vague memories of half-forgotten experiments on the principle of Archimedes in my brain, I should like to know what, neglecting buoyancy and considering the matter solely from the point of resistance, are the relative speeds?

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A Man Has Died

While France was celebrating, with more enthusiasm, perhaps, than in any previous year, her great fête of the 14th. of July, an old French gentleman slipped quietly out of the world. His name was Alfred Dreyfus, and he bore the rank of Captain in the French Army.

The happenings of the last twenty years have more or less obscured the memory of what the whole world found of such interest during the closing years of the nineteenth century, or it would hardly be necessary to enlarge upon the above statement. Yet the celebrated 'Dreyfus case' should not be allowed to slip out of the minds of mankind as unobtrusively as its central figure has departed from life. One of the great wrongs of the world was actually righted in time, not to restore to its victim the lost years but to console him in great measure for much of his unjust suffer-

This is a story with two victims and two heroes. In 1894 Captain Dreyfus, then a studend at the Army Staff College in Paris, was arrested under the charge of having sold military secrets to a for-eign power. There was the flimsiest of evidence, but there was a strong racial hatred to contend against, for Dreyfus was Alsatian born and a Jew. The sentence was of the heaviest, for military degradation was followed by a decree of imprisonment for life on the hideously celebrated Devil's Island, the French penal colony off the Guiana coast.

Justice?

There were, however, many persons who felt that a terrible injustice had been done. Agitation for the re-opening of the case began almost at once, and many

great names appeared among the agitators. Emile Zola, the novelist, laid himself open to a suit for libel brought against him by the government for his open letter «J'accuse», for which he was sentenced to a year's imprisonment, but he had fled the country, and from his exile was continuing to fight for Dreyfus. The unfortunate captain's enemies, many of them occupying high position in the Army and the Government, made of Zola a victim almost as heavily persecuted as the man whose cause he, from sheer zeal for truth and justice, had so heartily espoused.

Scandal

Followed accusations and denials, investigations and confessions, scandals in high places and low, trials and acquittals, even suicides and the resignation of at least one minister implicated. At last, after almost five years of imprisonment, during which his convict record was exemplary, Dreyfus was brought back to France for re-trial. Again the trial was conducted under the weight of heavy scandal. It resulted in a considerable mitigation of the original sentence, but not in the hoped-for clearing of the captain's name. I en days after the passing of this second sentence, the President of France issued a full pardon to him, but neither for Dreyfus nor for his friends and supporters was this sufficient, since it left him still under the cloud of proven guilt.

Zola, leader of the forces which sought complete justice, died of an accident in 1902, but the great Socialist Jean Jaurés, then Vice-President of the Chambre des Députés, fought on for Dreyfus' honour. Fresh documents were finally discovered relating to the case, and still another trial was called for, this time in the hope of an absolute vind

ication of the captain's record. Another five years had gone by since the pardon, and Dreyfus was called from his tragic retirement to face the court once again. The case dragged on interminably, but at last the national conscience had been well awakened, and no longer could personal or racial prejudice sway the final decision. In 1906 came triumph. Dreyfus was fully acquitted. His rank and honours were restored to him in a dramatic and touching ceremonial, and France set herself to the task of recompensing the innocent victim of twelve years before.

Obscurity

Dreyfus, when first accused, was a young and brilliant officer of thirty-five, with a promising future. When his name was at last cleared, he was a man of forty-seven, aged, more than broken, by long and unjust sufferings. Utter obscurity was all he now asked of life. Of late years his prayer has been answered. Briefly he emerged during the Great War, but only to exhort the combatants to their duty as soldiers of France. His loyalty never wavered, even during the long years in Guiana's horrors. His heroism was quiet and dignified, his patriotism unshakeable by perhaps the severest trial patriotism has ever had. His retirement, once his honours were restored to him, was complete and without apparent bitterness, whatever may have been his private feelings. Now that he has died, seventy-six years old, France remembers, though without public and noisy lamentation, that she has lost a very true patriot and a brave and generous-spirited man.

E. O. D.

Englishwoman Released

Case Against Miss Cort Dropped

On the 16th. of July, before the Tribunal de Urgencia, the case against Miss Edith Mary Sarah Cort, accused of using language considered injurious to the authorities and of resisting the police, was tried.

In the summing-up it appeared that the lady in question did use words which might be considered disrespectful towards members of the Government, on the occasion of a conversation which she had with members of the crew of a Spanish boat at present in the harbour, to whom she was endeavouring to sell some pictures.

While the case was being tried, the only witness, who was also the person who denounced her to the police, was called up but it was found he had not appeared. The President of the Tribunal imposed on him, for not appearing, the maximum fine of 50 pesetas.

After Miss Cort had been questioned the accusation was withdrawn, but the President, in agreement with the other magistrates present, imposed on her a fine of 50 pesetas for disobedience to the authorities. An order was then immediately given for her release. During the trial she was defended by Don Manuel Dominguez.





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Annual Midinettes Race in Paris

Beneath pouring rain, some 20 young girls with tendencies towards T.B., clad in thin frocks and high-heeled shoes, raced through the streets of Paris bearing large hat boxes in their thin hands. Fortunately we were preserved the entire race and only saw the start and finish, which latter took place in front of the Byzantine façade of Sacré Coeur. Puffing and perspiring, the heroine was grabbed by her overjoyed family who subjected her to a barrage of double kisses. After this she was allowed to speak, and, as she was being told to hurry by the cameraman, all we heard was, «Je suis contente... Vive la France... Fraternitê!» The great Republic had added another heroine to its bursting honour's list, and a great evening newspaper had increased its sales some 79°/o. Mdlle. Framboise, it is to be expected, will be confined to her bed for some days as a result of her exposure to the elements.

Following hard upon the heels of this depressing and sporting spectacle,

came-

British Army Manœuvres

Here, gathered upon a great plain, were grouped the many corps and services which help to compose that expensive automaton, the British Army. In perfect order they marched, rode and trundled past. One could almost note the odour of benzine of the modern cavalry. An optimistic note was shown in the shape of a company of men attired in rubber and asbestos suits, wearing gas masks. The large audience grouped on the plain showed its hearty approval of this attire by cheering wildly. After this a mock battle took place calculated not to offend pacifists. Large guns were fired and it was seen that immediate and complete destruction could now be counted upon. This part of the programme also was greeted with loud cheers. Guns, of course, are only meant for killing the people of other nations. With an all too short display of expert horsemanship (as a sort of amusing anachronism) we were switched over, to our great relief, to-

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This was much better fun, if rather an expensive kind of fun, since, after making several turns round a triangular course, the competitors were obliged to to steer their flimsy craft through a patch of water sprinkled with burning oil, to fly down a water-shoot and then ground at top speed on a patch of spikey rocks. The race this year, the announcer informed us, had caused a great deal of comment owing to the death of five of the competitors during the proceedings. An audience of flag-wagging flappers evidently achieved the long sought thrill. The best moment, we thought, was when one of the outboards caught fire and the cries of its dying pilot could be heard above the cheers. Followed a brighter note, like a pleasant interlude, since this time not human beings but only wheat was being burned. Crisis in the U.S. Wheat Market. Whilst the giant conflagration was sending its column of smoke high into the sky, a large party of burners was indulging in a merry bender, seated in a wagon. Amidst cries of «Whoopee», they faded into the blessed distance, giving way to Commemoration Parade in Berlin, which showed us the great fillip given to militarism in Germany since Britain declared peace on her. In magnificent order the long ranks goose-stepped past the ecstatic Adolph. A selection of guns similar to those we had previously seen in the British parade received a vociferous welcome. They also were only meant to shoot at other people.

Then, as an antidote, we were shown the Fat Lady and Ugly Men Championships which took place at, I think, Atlantic City. To a doctor this must have been a most interesting spectacle. All the more repugnant diseases extant were paraded here as objects of humour and publicity. An elderly dame in the



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last stages of dropsy was presented with a cup by the Judges, while she shouted through the microphone, amidst the laughter of the audience, «Hello, folks, this is Ma and she is coming right home.» We wondered if she would ever make the journey.

Finally, as a last resort to tickle the faded palate of the public, the camera had caught a class at a certain dancing school where some 50 children, some of them quite babies, were being instructed in the more complicated movements of the Cuban rumba. Gaily, and intensely pleased with herself, the instructress showed them the movements that would not be allowed on a dance floor if performed by adults. The audience of proud mothers smirked sympathetically, and the children staggered round in an attempt to master the horrid dance. As we came out into the street we reflected that it would have been better to have stayed at home and listened to Aunt Bessie's eternal stories about the Great Exposition of '98. The diving ladies and the Montgolfier balloons were somehow more palatable.

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Kaleidoscope

Not long ago an article in an American magazine described the reaction of several people who had had their sight restored after being blind since early childhood. One of the most striking of these was the impression made by certain colours when thus seen for the first time. Yellow, in particular, was generally disliked, and blue was found

This makes one wonder as to the general influence of colour in normal life. The world seems fairly united in thinking of white as cool, and conversely, of black as hot. Barcelona has taken to white with a vengeance with the beginning of the hot weather, and the shop windows show but little else, for both women and men. This is a new fashion here, for in other years Barcelona has been prone to regard the most vivid red as a suitable summer shade. It is only a year since the traffic police ceased to wear red tunics as their coolest costume, and such of the feminine part of the population as did not happen to be in mourning were usually attired in variants of the same shade.

To the northern races, on the other hand, red is a warm colour, suitable for wear during winter sports, and suggestive of the fireplace before which they will stand or sit when weary of playing in the snow. We find Anglo-Saxons and Germans, not to mention the Scandinavians, turning to blue or green as colours which suggest the coolness of glacier shadows and icy water. The dweller by the Mediterranean thinks otherwise. To him blue brings the thought of the blazing depth of summer sky, and green is the colour which ushers in the reign of heat.

There is said to be a Spanish super-stition to the effect that flies and mosquitoes do not like blue, which accounts, far more than any aesthetic reason, for the pleasing prevalence of blue door and window frames, blue mosquito netting, and blue china and crockery for the table. What corresponding explanation can there be for the supposed coolness of red? And where does yellow, that colour which pleases our sophisticated eyes but not the eyes of the recently blind, come into the story? The Chinese made yellow their sacred imperial colour, but the Romans preferred the Tyrian purple which to modern eyes is deep red.

Science has, of course, studied colour and its effects, and modern business equipment has come to depend upon it to such an extent that a colourblind person is under a distinct handicap in a present day office, but while there are such widely varying opinions as to the impression produced by each shade we fear that science has not been able to say the last word upon the subject. It is to be hoped that the group of blind people whose first reactions were so interest. interesting have been further studied, and that the gradations by which they arrive at a final judgment of the colours in their in their surroundings will eventually be available to those who are attracted by so gay a topic.

London Letter

The good weather came just in time to save a lot of things, including the national temper, which had begun to show signs of wearing under weeks of rain and wind when warm, sunny weather was what we were all reading on the calendar. It was only a short while ago that nobody was interested in holidays, probably wouldn't take any this year anyway, had other, more solemn things to ponder on.

To take a contrast with this attitude, you will find the continental enquiry office at Victoria unable to cope with the rush; there never was such a demand for unspoilt cottages on the South Coast (preferably ex-coastguard in character, with hints of past smuggling and dark deeds by night); never were holiday trains quite so crowded as they are at the time of writing. Stores have been given a chance to do some romping business, albeit at sale prices, while purveyors of sunburn lotions, oils and medicaments guaranteed to give a quick tan without burn are working overtime.

Into all this hustle and bustle of the all-important holiday dropped the carefully prepared speech of Sir Samuel Hoare on our foreign relations in general, and our attitude to the unfortunate Italo-Abyssinian complication in particular. With the skill of a conjuror, the Foreign Secretary seems to have man-

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The opposition says, in effect, that the Government, through its Foreign Secretary, said a lot without saying anything; to which the Government replies, again in substance, that the opposition, in saying a lot, had nothing to say. Which makes it pretty comfortable all round, with one leg to the Foreign Secretary. And still nobody quite knows what is going to be the outcome of the situation, except that the easy processes of selling guns to Abyssinia are the subject of new complications. Anyway, since Abyssinian currency is controlled at the source by Italian godfathers and god-mothers, who bought the concession some three years ago, the possibility of the King of Kings being in a position to pay for all the lethal weapons he wanted is a matter of some doubt.

Otherwise, apart from the rush naval building programme of Germany, the possibility of a Hapsburg restoration in Austria, the growing probability of something not far short of civil war in France, the unofficial mobilization of a million armed men variously adhering to extreme left or extreme right factions the situation is practically untroubled, and we can all enjoy our holidays.

We hear a great deal here about Captain Kane, the Irish Captain under detention in Palma. There has been more shooting recently in Belfast, which is now under curfew orders, several people having been killed or injured. Police and armoured cars patrol the district, and residents who venture out risk arrest. Sir Dawson Bates, Minister of Home Affairs, has cancelled his visit to the Naval Review at Spithead to remain on duty in Belfast.

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LADY LEISURE By Jane Schuyler

You always hear a woman complaining about her face, skin or curves, but how often does she forget to worry about her hands, which are forever in the limelight and so frequently neglected.

Why take so much trouble keeping a face young and well-kept, when hands are allowed to age and wither? They have more expression about them than a face could ever hope to portray, and as they are bound to be seen, why not try making them fit to be seen, by giving them a few minutes attention every day.

As far as hands are concerned, the chief complaint is roughness. The cause of this condition is usually exposure to cold, and more often, improper drying. The former is plain carelessness, and the latter is easily prevented by keeping a bottle of hand lotion over the washstand, and dabbing it on as soon as you have finished with the towel. Half a dozen times a day is none to often to use the lotion, for you depend on it to restore the elements which keep your skin soft, white, and supple. When applying, always commence from the finger tips. Holding the hand up, massage gently downwards with a circular movement towards the wrists. If after this precaution your hands are still dry and chapped, try a nightly treatment. Scrub them with a rubber-bristled brush, in warm, soft, soapy water. Dry well, then rub briskly with lemon juice to whiten the skin. Finish up by kneading in deeply a paste of almond-meal and honey and sleep in loose, ventilated gloves. Messy, perhaps, but efficacious!

Now for the nails. Loosening the cuticle with instruments often leads to painful swellings. Any superfluous skin which may appear is far better removed by a constant application of olive oil and cream. Very little other attention is needed, for you can push back the skin with a Turkish towel, and doing it this way you will never injure the base of the nail. White spots and ridges will also disappear, for they are frequently caused by the use of harsh instruments. However, a good liquid cuticle remover has a miraculous way of removing any dried skin that may be lurking about. Dab it on freely with a bit of cotton. This should be followed by the application of a little cuticle oil, which must be left on whilst applying the nail varnish. Nail varnish is intended for nails only, and should never come into contact with the cuticle, therefore, if the oil is left on, it will prevent the varnish from affecting

All this whitening effect, that manicurists love to stuff under the nails, is so thick, and need never be used if you keep by your washstand one of those stiff bristly brushes. They will always keep your tinger-tips clean and glistening. This reminds me, that if you have some dirty work to do, remember to line your nails with pure white soap. It is easy to remove and prevents dirt from entering. This idea saves a lot of trouble and scrubbing, after your hand punishing job is over.

«Are dark polishes still smart?» This is a question often heard, and here is the answer. According to experts on this fingernail subject, it is better form to do the nails with a natural polish or a faint pink in the daytime, but at night the tone should be deepened in accordance with the color of the frock you are wearing. For instance, when wearing pastel shades, do the nails in bright pink, a pink with yellow if you have a dry skin, and one with stronger tones if your skin is white. When in black always use a deep shade of red. Naturally there are all sorts of variations for this general scheme. You can always get away with your costume and personality. Polish applied right to the tips gives stubby fingers a longer effect. In Paris, where they run from the sublime

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to the ridiculous, they are setting jewels into the nails. It certainly must be startling to see, but I wouldn't try pulling the act in the old home town. When a nail has been clipped off or broken a new one can be pasted on, and the closest observer would not be able to tell that anything unusual has happened to that evident spot. Always remember that your hands are constantly admired or criticized. Your character will be judged, not by their beauty, which nature endows, but by their care, which is self-promoted.

Crêpes Suzette

Yes, it can be obtained in Barcelona in all its floppy delicacy, at the *Hostal del Sol*. If you are not only interested in the dishes themselves but also in the plates from which they are eaten, you will become an habitué of this excellent Catalan restaurant. There is no music and a quiet atmosphere prevails, so that the setting is perfect for the solemn rite of good feeding, and drinking. If you've something to sell, invite your victims to dine here. On the certain profits of the deal you will be able to return every night to the Hostal del Sol.

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This piece of news, alarming as it may sound, should serve to rouse the sleepy sophisticates from their summer lethargy. The hot months can be made pleasant and amusing if one only knows how. Perceiving, then, the crying need for an agreeable relationship to the contract the contract to the contract for an agreeable place in which to dance after dinner in Barcelona, Napoleon has withdrawn his rhythm-making troops from the Buena Sombra and has installed them in Saigon, that delightfully cool spot amidst the tall trees of Montjuich park. The floor is excellent, the service vies with the music in softness and efficiency, and, as for the view... well, they ought to charge for that, too. The funicular or a taxi will get you there.

Do You Know?

Solutions to last week's questions:

(1) Literature. (2) Jenny Lind and Greta Garbo. (3) Grand Duchy. (4) Nathaniel Hawthorne. (5) Teg and Grimmer. (6) Captain Hook.

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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-Closed.

COLISEUM — Jean Parker in Have A Heart. CAPITOL—Bill Boyd and Wynne Gibson in The Invisible Agressor.

MARYLAND-Lady for a Day and The Yellow Cruiser.

CATALUÑA-Closed for redecoration.

FANTASIO-Reprise of No quiero saber quien

KURSAAL—Barthelmess and Loretta Young in Glory and Hunger, followed by Will Rogers being funny and Carlos Gardel being romantic.

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Phew!

It must be real warm in Death Valley, Californía, according to the Ultima Hora of Thursday. The temperature, they say, has reached 126° centigrade. Mathematical and the same work ematically minded persons can work this out in degrees Fahrenheit. It comes to something like 258°

Arthur C. Byne

A grievous loss to both the artistic and the antiquarian world was caused by the death a few days ago, in an automobile accident occurring in the province of Ciudad Real, of Arthur Byne, the distinguished American architect. Mr. Byne, who has for many years made his home in Spain, devoting his life to research among her ancient treasures of art and architecture, enjoyed worldwide fame in his speciality. He was also the sympathetic illustrator of the many charming books on Spanish subjects written by his wife, Mildred Stapley Byne. Full details of the accident in which Mr. Byne met his death are not yet available.

TENNIS

Germany's Triumph at Prague

As was mentioned in last week's issue, Germany qualified to meet the U.S.A. in the inter-zone final of the Davis Cup Competition by beating Czecho-Slovakia at Prague last week by 4 matches to 1.

When play was resumed last Monday, Germany was leading by two matches to one and in the first match of the day Gottfried von Cramm unexpectedly beat Roderick Menzel, the Czcho-Slovakian champion, after a hard fight, by three sets to two. The score was 6-2, 64, 3-6, 5-7, 6-1. Inspired by this success, Germany's second string H. Henkel beat J. Caska by 2-6, 7-5, 6-4, 6-0 and they thus qualify to meet the U.S. at Wimbledon.

Germany's victories in the European inter-zone matches have created a big surprise, especially in view of Australia's participation in this event, as they were regarded as favourites for the muchcoveted trophy.

After eliminating Italy in the first round, Germany caused a surprise by beating Australia in Berlin by four matches to one, and when they came to Prague their task of conquering Czcho-Slavakia was agreed to be too much for them, but better stamina and training helped them to overcome this obstacle and they won again by four matches to

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G. de Stefani, the ambidexterous Italian Davis Cup player beat Adrian Quist (Australia) in the final of the men's singles for the Dutch Lawn - Tennis Championship held at Noordwyk. The scores were 6-4, 4-6, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5.

Magnificent Dog Racing Track in Barcelona

El Canodromo-Parque, Guinardó

Lying at the base of the range of hills of which Tibidabo is the culminating point, Barcelona, with the vast expanse of blue water beyond, presents a beautiful sight from the heights above. In a beauty spot in a valley of these hills, overlooking the city and the sea at its feet, has been installed the ultra-modern Parque-Canodromo del Guinardó, which consists of a beautiful park with wide and shady avenues and a spacious pavilion in the centre. In the grounds of the park there is a dog-racing track which is considered by experts to be one of the best of its kind in Europe. There is also in the grounds, at the back of the pavilion, a very fine illuminated swimming-pool of large dimensions, and during the day or in the evening one can lounge in the sun or shade while sipping an aperitif after one's bath, listening to the orchestra, which plays there regularly. This pool is open to the public from eight in the morning until three the following morning.

In the pavilion, which contains spacious rooms, there is an up-todate Bar and Restaurant where meals at moderate prices can be had at all times. It is the intention of the owners to establish a club in this pavilion, the entrance fee to be Pts. 25 and Pts. 10 per month, giving many privileges to members.

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In fine, the Canodromo-Parque Guinardó, situated near the Avenida Virgen de Montserrat, has become in a short time a place of preference for the citizens of Barcelona and for many foreigners who have found where amusement in pleasant cool surroindings can be had.

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Ribas

pride of place in Spanish mountain lore, and what a difference there is between the Spanish and French sides! The southern slopes of this gigantic and spectacular range receive all the benefits of sun and warmth all the year round, which does not prevent them, however, from being ideal for ski-ing in winter and hiking in summer. Their great

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wildness, and for this reason they form a paradise for the enthusiast of a quiet, simple holiday. Nuria alone, with its excellent hotel, is a very fine centre for hikes amongst the loftiest peaks of Europe. Camprodon, too, is another good setting-off place for excursions on foot or on mule back, with the added attractions of good hotels, tennis-courts and all the diversions that may be and all the diversions that may be indulged in, given the cool climate of those altitudes. Ribas, with its rushing torrent and surrounding green hills, is another place which many English and American people find just the place for a mountain holiday. There is something about the Pyrenees that is not comparable to any other mountain range. They bear a soft light at dawn that gives them an ethereal appearance. At midday they take on a barbaric, savage shape as they glow in the heat. In the evening their blues, violets and shaded tints are the delight and despair of the large colonies of artists who live beneath them in the summer. Olot is just such an artistic centre, where a large school has been created. The *Olot Green* and Yellow are famous in the history of Spanish painting. Anyhow, even if you don't hike or sketch, you can always read your novel under the whispering pines, and feel that for once you have managed to «get away from everything.»

The Catalan Coast

The number of poets (and peasants) who have raved about the beauties of the coastlines of the world is legion. Most of them are so sentimental that we have not much patience with them. As far as the coast of Cataluña is concerned, one might rave for hours about its beauties, and its varied contours from Tortosa to Port de la Selva. The best thing to do, of course. is see it for yourself and keep silent. You will never be able to do it justice on paper, and if

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you start to describe it to your friend, who is also observing it with you, you may be helped over the edge of one of those pine-clad creeks, where the blues and greens of the water seem to emanate from some perpetual dyes anchored on the sandy bottom. Port de la Selva and Cadaqués are two swell places for a free and easy holiday. Guarded from the rest of the world by a range of high hills, they are almost tripper-proof, and you will like them. Further down the coast come La Escala and Llafranch. This latter is quite smart in its own way, but if you haven't brought your best clothes you can pop round the corner to Calella de Palafrugell where old duds are the thing. S'Agaró, with its fashionable beach, its yachts and villas, not to mention its famous hotel, is the *rendezvous* of those who want an expensive but complete change. Take your evening clothes and your Rolls-Royce, you will need them. Also don't forget that Tossa is the place this year. Pleasant and informal, it houses a large colony of foreigners all of whom make it their duty to be themselves. On the whole the Costa Brava makes you feel like that, so try it and shake off a few of those inhibitions that your best friend won't tell you about.

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PERSONAL INTEREST

Mr. and Mrs. Hardwicke of Lincoln, England, who have been staying at the Solarium Hotel, Calamayor for some months, left this week for the Hotel Montagut, Ribas, Spanish Pyrenees.

Mr. and Mrs, Bertram Galbraith are giving an exhibition of aquatics at Ciudad Jardin this Sunday at 10 p.m. This is to be a feature of a gay verbena. The Galbraiths are just about as at home in the water as on land, so the exhibition should be something well worth seeing.

Mrs. Charles Gilson and her son have left for England, and Major Gilson is awaiting Mrs. Gilson's return at Arenal.

Mrs. Camela Pers was in Palma this week from Pollensa to meet her fourteen year old son, who is coming from Copenhagen. This will be the young man's third trip alone.

Mrs. E. Sackett de Sureda, of Genova, who left on the Excambion with her five year old daughter Pilar, writes that she expects to remain in New York about two years.

Miss Grace Wallace left for England last Friday (12th.) suddenly, as her mother is seriously ill in Wales.

Mrs. Morse was seen in Lena's recently, paying a flying visit from the Puerto de Pollensa. Her niece and nephew-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Seltz, are now definitely back from Barcelona.

The 14th. of July was celebrated in typical fashion at the Paris Bar both by the French and other members of our citizenry. At one time we noticed, although practically obscured by champagne bottles, Mon. Henri Total, Mdme. Angela de Schuylenburch, Miss Eda Urbani Mrs. Ann Bowman-Burns and Urbani, Mrs. Ann Bowman-Burns and Mrs. Pamela de Prizer. Later the party did the rounds, complete with Chinese lanterns and all the fixings. Mrs. de Prizer, despite the fact that a marauder carried away her garden gate, seemed in the best of spirits. She took her loss philosophically, saying, «Well, the old thing never kept anyone out anyhow.»

The new mezzanine at Lena's is we hear, to be partially devoted to bridge. Our guess as to who will be the first to sample it as a haven for contract goes to Mr. and Mrs. Croissant.

«Timmy», the young son of Mrs. Bowman-Burns, may be disappointed about his visit to the Island. Just as he was about to leave his English school, mumps broke out, and we understand that the shipping lines are very strict about things of this sort. Mrs. Burns has put off her trip to Paris as her daughter there is reported to be in much better health.

Tito's, under new management, bids fair to become extremely popular this summer. The terrace there, after all, is really one of the most delightful spots to spend an hour or two. The charges at present are moderate, which fact combined with good music should make the place a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rose left for home last Saturday, giving a small cocktail party at Joe's to a few of their friends before boarding their ship. Their absence has been felt already and no doubt they will continue to be

More and more people are finding their way to the Solarium Hotel these days and it is one of the few hotels that is practically full. With real sea bathing right at the back door and the excellent table their list of guests increases daily. It is far enough away from Palma to be out of all the noise and bustle but near enough so that a trip to the «capital» is only a matter of a few minutes tram

On Thursday, 30 French Boy Scouts

arrived in Palma, looking very trim in their kahki and each carrying a pack.

The boys arrived from Tarragona under the command of Mon. R. Flemin, of Lyons and they will spend eight days here in company with the Mallorquin scouts out at Bendinat, Las Illetas, under Capt. Francisco Rosselló.

Among those leaving on the Potsdam last Saturday for the Far East was Mrs. Zing Ying Wang, wife of Mr. Hoo Che Shy, secretary at the Chinese Embassy in Madrid. The Hoo Che Shys have been here on a vacation of several weeks. Mr. Shy returned to his post in weeks. Mr. Shy returned to his post in Madrid.

Mrs. Massey returned to the Island on the Njassa of the Woermann line last week. Others arriving here on the same ship were Mrs. Ana Hübbs and her daughter, Miss Nora Hübbs. They have gone to Pollensa for a short stay. Mr. Hübbs is Chairman of the Board of the Hamburg-America and the German East African Lines.

Mrs. Galt leaves today on the Voltaire for England... Returning to Mallorca on the same ship are Mr. and Mrs. Shaw... Others to leave shortly are Mrs. Peter Owen who goes for a month's holiday in England, Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham - Smith and Miss Wells. Miss Wells has been in Cala Ratjada recently helping Mrs. Helen Howell recover from an abscess which she contracted as a result of a mosquito bite... Miss Kong, excellent miniature painter, also leaves on the 27th. returning in about two month's time to the flat which she has taken in Calle Villalonga.

Mrs. Annie Pozzi, proprietress of the International Library of Terreno, left during the week for the Spanish Pyrenees with her small daughter.

We feel that perhaps Brisas went a bit too far when, in their issue for July, they described Mrs. Doris Cameron's last bottle party as a «battle party.» We were around until a late hour and saw no blood shed nor even a quarrel, in fact it was one of the smoothest of part-

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Robert M. Gavett

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newhall, who arrived yesterday on the *Bhamo*, have gone to the Hotel Royal. Sam, Mrs. Newhall's young son, has gone out to the Ecole Internationale.

Over thirty of the younger Mallorquins are reporting daily at the Fronton where they are learning the game. We had a chat with one of the budding players and he reports the game as even harder than it looks. For the first three days arms and backs are so lame that many give up, but once in the swing of the thing he says it is grand fun. So far no foreigners have signed up for the course.

Mr. Rolf Memison, the painter, has been laid up for a day or two in his house at La Portassa with fever. We hear, however, that he is now on the road to recovery.

Another newcomer to the sick bay is Mr. Kenneth Craven, who has been feeling the strain of hard work through the present heat, and has been ordered to take a rest cure as soon as he can manage it.

Mr. Roland Hayes reports that he is enjoying his return visit to the Island, and expects to do a lot of writing while he is here.

Miss Peggy Lippe returned to the Island yesterday, and is staying at Chalfont House.

On Thursday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Frank Croissant were hosts at a cocktail party and tea in their new apartment

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in Calle Salud. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Storms of Madrid, Mrs. Bowman-Burns, Mrs. Sybil Corbett Lloyd, Srta. Flora Rieras, Mon. Robert Thublier L'Arganson, Mr. Perkins and Mr. Lynn W. Franklin of the American Consulate General of Barcelona. The Spanish Navy was representated by Lt. Juan de Alvarez from the flagship Miguel Cervantes. He helped entertain with some clever sleight-of-hand tricks which no one could fathom.

Bastile Day was suitably celebrated at the Jardin Bellver last week-end, the management arranging two galas for the occasion, Saturday and Sunday. We ourselves had not been there until the other night, and had forgotten how attractive a place it is to dance away a few hours of the evening. The directors are planning a series of special nights for the rest of the summer. A gala at the Bellver does not mean increased prices.

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«Very fine, very interesting,» said the millonaire. «Yes,» replied the doctor, and just imagine how splendid it will be when we have the water supply arranged, and can fill the tank».

LOST:—Between Calle Salud and the Barcelona boat dock, a black suitcase bearing the initials «L. W. F.» Will finder kindly communicate with «The Majorca Sun,» Calle Montenegro, 8.

Letter Box

(Note: «The Spanish News and The Majorca Sun» is not responsible for any of the contents of this column. Letters should be addressed to the Editor, and must be signed with the writer's own name. A nom-de-plume may be added. for publication, if desired.)

To:—The Editor.

Dear Sir,

As a sincere supporter of The Ma-JORCA SUN AND SPANISH News it is impossible to ignore the request of «Reader» in your last issue to write a line stating the style of paper I should prefer to see, insignificant as my preferences are.

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The foreign colony in Spain and the Balearics are, therefore, justified in expecting something really out of the ordinary rut, and a paper not only useful but satisfying in the fullest literary sense of the word.

I enclose my card, and remain Yours truly,

J. M.

To:—The Editor.

Dear Sir,

Is anybody who drives a car in Mallorca with me in my reaction to certain experiences I have gone through on the country roads, where the police do not

Many a time, while driving carefully from Pollensa to Palma, I have seen another car coming towards me at a fairly good speed, in the centre of the road. When I blow my horn the car, instead of moving towards the side, makes a crazy lurch and heads straight for me. We avoid a collision by the fraction of an inch. Is the driver sleepy, mad or malícious? Or just a bad driver? I have had this happen to me with several different cars, and find it one of the most annoying habits of drivers who are not very particular about any traffic rules, it seems to me. Can nothing be done about this?

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Island Rooftop

About 100 miles off the coast of Spain and 150 north of Algiers I have a roof. It is flat, high and shaded by orange trees in pots made in the next street: for my island retreat is in the centre of the Alfareria quarter of Palma de Mallorca. The quarter takes its name from the potters, who form the majority of its population, and beautiful are the rough brown dishes, water jars and cups they make.

From my perch under the hot, sparkling sky I can see the brown tiles of the potters' sheds, where the unbaked clay forms stand drying in regimental rows. Up from the narrow streets with their worn cobbles come the cries of the knife grinder, with his shrieking, whirring wheel, and the water seller, slowly driving his cart of a dozen badly corked jars through the hot dust, and crying what sounds to me like «Rain... bows! Rain... bows!» between encouraging «aaahlees» to his mule. The ice-cream vendor has halted in the shade of an old Moorish arch, and is noisily banging the wooden lid of his barrow to attract attention, and the flies.

A blacksmith on the corner is adding his bit to the din, and so is a merchant of pickled capers. The women, their long pigtails shining beneath triangles of white net, are seated in doorways on low chairs, their backs to the street to keep off the glare while knitting, or slicing bread for their sopa Mallorquina, a watery vegetable broth in which are thrown bread and sometimes bits of meat

Well do I remember the fiesta which was given in my honor upon taking possession of this rooftop. It was a still, starlit night. I had strung pine branches and rows of colored lamps along the wash lines, and the effect was quite lovely when the stone benches around the edge, covered with sheepskins, were lined with buxom girls and shy men in native costume.

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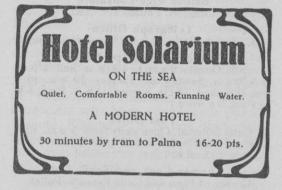
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That was an unusual gathering, inasmuch as it lasted until dawn. The Mallorquins are a hard-working, sober race. and I took it as a great compliment that they stayed so long before climbing into their queer little boxlike carts, homeward bound. When the last «adios» and «bonitenga» and the proverbial «my house is your house» had been exchanged, I stood awhile alone, leaning on the parapet and looking over the varied levels of the other rooftops, north, toward the mountains—those rugged blessings which protect the island from cruel winds, and earn for it its reputation of possessing a clima ideal.

The city is not so large that I could not see the surrounding country in the growing light. All was silent now, except for the twitters of a few swallows and the whirring of pigeons' wings as they swirled above the queer wooden homes built for them on almost every roof.

A delicious early morning breeze brought me slight perfumes from the olives and almond blossoms of the plain between me and the mountains, and the



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red and blue blades of the water windmills began to revolve slowly. In my mind, as I gazed at the purple heights, I traversed the hairpin bends of the mountain pass, through Valldemosa with its wonderful cartuja, in a monastic cell of which Chopin enjoyed the company of trouser-clad George Sand (if the Mallorquins did not), composing his beauteous melodies while she wrote her «Spiridion.» On and down, I went in my thoughts, down past the old Roman road and aqueduct to the orange and lemon groves around the port of Soller, wandering to the amphitheatre and bull-ring of Alcudia, the Moorish mills and irrigation system, still in use, of the huerta near Pollensa...

I pulled my thoughts back to where I stood on my rooftop, sleepy at last, and turned my back to the mountains. The dreamy sea was cut in the distance by the white prow of the boat from Barcelona, which meant nearly 6 o'clock. The native-spun linens of my bed were calling me, and the cocks were crowing. But then the cocks crow all night on this strange island...

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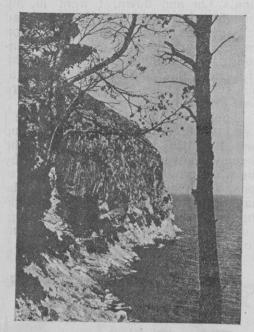
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Mr. Bell Notes!

The issue of June 22nd. of the «Sun» containing two replies to my articles has reached me this morning. Captain Dare's reply convinces me again how difficult is the problem of conveying meanings from one mind to another through the bottle-neck of ambiguous vocabularies. For in addition to his initial difficulty of propagating a new idea the New Economist has to contend with the Old Economist's laxity in his use of terms. Take, for instance, the charming little «course of elementary economics» which Captain Dare sets me in his statement: «Nothing is produced without labour of some kind. Somebody has got to do the work. Human beings must tend machines-and machines, lacking procreative faculties, have to be made by men. Machines do not produce the raw materials that they consume. No machine ever made a coconut-nor ever will.» If language is to mean anything but simian chatter, the implication in that statement is that I am unaware of its platitudinous accuracy. May I ask the gallant captain to believe that when such great thoughts first flashed across my infantile mind I was so excited as to let the rattle drop from my cradle?

Since that early age, however, I have been an observer of the results of our following the varied advice of those «competent economists» whose work still gives him such complete satisfaction as to make it almost beyond the pale of criticism. Yet his sentence: «Somebody has got to do the work,» no longer works unqualifiedly. Under «Sound Finance» the sentence will be found to work better thus: «Somebody has got to do the work of destroying not only some of the work of the machines, but some of the machines themselves.» Failing that, it seems that the sacrosanct Financial System cannot work satisfactorily in its business of maintaining Poverty amid Plenty, applauded by the chorus of «competent economists» who,

the Captain asserts, have demonstrated the fallacy of the annoying Douglas Theorem which is apparently dead but won't lie down.

I had two reasons for not mentioning the famous Douglas A plus B Theorem. First, because a non-technical journal is no place in which to start a discussion of it, since most folk are unaware how the existing Financial System works— or, rather, does NOT work in such a manner as to distribute adequately what the «competent economists» are in the habit of calling the «surplus» production of those wretched machines that won't make cocunuts. Secondly, because it was fairly certain somebody would remind me of my omission and attempt by copious disjointed quotations to expose for the hundredth time the alleged fallacy in the Theorem. Suffice it to add that the Financial Editor of the «Toronto Star» recently said: «Douglas may be wrong in his major premise, but no one so far has convincingly been able to refute it.» The importance of that confession is emphasized by the fact that the honest writer of it is not yet an avowed Douglasite.

As for Captain Dare's alleged competent economists who have demonstrated the «fallacy» in it, well-these gentlemen are still at sixes and sevens with one another on a hundred vital points in the Old Economics from which they gain their liveihood. Not wishing to disobey their Master's voice in High Financial circles these «competent economists,» it may be inferred, will go on as usual playing the parts expected of them by their benefactors. There being so many of them enjoying Chairs of Economics endowed by wealthy Financiers who have «done well» out of «Sound Finance,» it is not likely that these Yes-men will deliberately foul their own nests and risk their being told «where to get off.»

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tent economists» were busy dutifully ridiculing his «fallacious» reasoning. Among them was Sir Basil Blackett, formerly Finance Member of the Council of the Governor-General of India, now a director of the Bank of England. (And England, of course, went «off gold» in Sept. 1931.) This week Sir Basil has said: «It is the part of wisdom to recognize that early restoration of the Gold Standard is out of the question, and to devote our attention to perfecting the system of managed currency into which we have happily stumbled.» Mr. Lloyd George told the world years ago that the nations «stumbled» into the European War. This frank admission of «stumbling» on the part of «competent» economists and politicians does not leave us much hope that they are now on the right road, unless indeed they «stumble» at last into recognition of the possibility of Douglas' being right after all?

These «competent economists» have had it all their own way for generations -a hundred ways is more accurate. Yet look at the mess they could not keep us out of! They kept on pointing to a bolt here, a nut there; to the magneto, now, the carburettor, then; they questioned the quality of the petrol, alleged faults in the chassis, suggested a new coat of paint, advised a change of gear-indeed, they blamed everything but the design of the engine, which is now obsolescent in this Power Age and should be scrapped like the other machinery they are at present busy «liquidating» in Industry.

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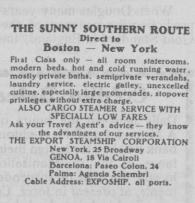
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Mr. T. Binney-Gibbs, who has been busy recording the beauties of the Island on canvas, is, we are sorry to say, leaving next week with his wife and daughter.

The little boat «Isabel» is left high and dry, for its late owners, Mr. Bill Carot and Mr. Geoffrey Gomer, gave up their fishing and swimming with sorrow yesterday and departed for London.

Visitors at the Marisol include Miss Gentles, also Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, who went on a short trip to Ibiza this

Mr. James A. Phair, of Shrewsbury, Soller, moved to the Puerto ten days ago and has been leading the simple life camping at Figuera, accompanied by Mr. John Hutton.

We very much regret to state that Mr. Bill Beauley has not yet been able to leave his bed, and that his other foot is infected. Recent reports are more favourable, however, and we hope to soon have him among us again.

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Now that additional Italian troops have arrived in Eastern Africa, the unfortunate difficulties that have arisen on the Italian-Abyssinian border should be soon liquidated in the accepted manner. It will be recalled that the same natives proved to be difficult to pacify some time ago, but the emphasis placed on military perfection and the numerous mobilizations in Italy since the solidification of the Fascist regime, has probably increased the effectiveness of the Italian troops. In action against the Abyssinians, the Italian crack regiments should find it unnecessary to ask for outside assistance.

The French may not have agreed to render active assistance to the Italians, but inactive and passive aid is not missing. When the provocations for the present Italian offensive began to mount into a startling total of raids and border shootings, the French government discovered additional infamous actions by native tribesmen, clearly distinguished as Abyssinians by the cut of their frock war-coats. The bloody killing of M. Bernard, a French Administrator, who led seventeen native soldiers to a place called Gobad on the border between the French Somali Coast and Abyssinia, was followed by no threats of French invasion or reprisals but rather recited by the French government in a manner so simple and pathetic as to raise the warmest sympathy for the unfortunate French Administrator and his brave but inadequate band. The prompt denial by the Abyssinian government that the attacking tribes were Abyssinian subjects met with the silent derison of both the French and Italian authorities. Well do these latter know the wiles of the black natives when out for a good provocation.

When the Abyssinia Government (who are still weakly insisting that the name of their native land is Ethiopia) agreed to the Italian proposal for a neutral zone between the two territories, the natural question arose as to whether the Central government of His Majesty, the King of Kings and Conquering Lion of Judah, could control the border tribesmen. Naturally such a question can be answered by events; and the Italian authorities have found further delay to be incompatible with Italian honour, an honour well known to all the civilized world. The only feasible method appears to be that of invasion and pacification-border incidents can hardly arise once the border disappears.

A fact not generally remembered is the peculiar condition of the realm of the Black Emperor, the Power of Trinity I. It just happens that in all of Africa, only the realm of this King of Kings remains free of direct or indirect European control (except for a small negro republic on the west coast, which exists under a kind of protection from the United States and certain rubber companies). The five and one-half millions of loyal Abyssinian subjects have at no time demonstrated an ability to exist without European aid, superior to the ability exhibited by other natives. Racial superiority accounts for

the white man's supreme position in Africa; that and his superior strength in modern arms. Between the Italians and the Abyssinians, the usual racial differences exist and the most powerful and superior race will win out. It is an old story told in many ways in many parts of the globe.

Take Tasmania. They have an old negro there who at the present time is the subject of great care by the community at Port Arthur. This native is called King Joey, and he is the last known survivor of the once numerous native population on the Island. King Joev is now valued as a curio. All his contemporaries and ancestors who have gone down the long, long trail started when Great Britain founded a penal colony in Port Arthur in the early nineteenth century. The last survivor is being well preserved for the public museum.

Ethiopia, or Abyssinia, is something like old King Joey—or soon will be. Museum pieces both, they will find a convenient shelf in the white man's history. When next seen, Abyssinia and the King of Kings will be in the harmless state of an antique. For everyone knows that modern methods can only be impos-

ed by a modern power.

I. B. P.

Mr. Bell Notes!

(Continued from page 15.)

When Captain Dare asserts that «any rise in the standard of living necessitates greater production» he is unconsciously denying the gospel of many of those «competent economists» that he so admires. Why, all over the world Governments are acting on the advice of their «competent economists» by PAYING PRODUCERS NOT TO PRODUCE wheat, meat, cotton, milk, hogs, fish, coffee, and God knows what next, and thereby hoping to raise the standard of living by subsidizing LESS production, not more.

His quotation that the «Social Credit scheme is in fact a roundabout... form of inflation» implies that Inflation of itself is an evil; whereas normal accountancy methods and the arbitrary conventions in which our Banks work make it possible for the Bankers themselves to initiate periods of Inflation and Deflation in such a manner that they appear to be the result of natural law. Thus the Banks are able always to get in on the Ground Floor and to get out, too, before the bottom drops out.

Yet far from the Social Credit Scheme's being a roundabout form of Inflation, it is actually the reverse. The real wealth of a country being the basis of the National Dividend and of the Compensated-Price payments, it must be plain to all but the village-idiot that money issued through a technique SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO REDUCE PRICES cannot cause inflation,

i.e. a rise of prices.

I regret that my articles cannot be considered by Col. Gurney as a clear exposé of the case for Social Credit. Perhaps the following resolution, passed at the Congress of the International Chamber of Comerce in Paris last week,

is more intelligible to him? It is based on the report of Professor Gregory (alias Guggenheim), that industrious globetrotter in the service of International Finance, who was a member of the Macmillan Committee on Finance and Industry in 1931, and now holds the Sir Ernest Cassel Chair of Economics at London University. The Professor procured the following resolution from his clients.

«The International Chamber of Commerce declares that the stabilization of the foreign exchange rates on the basis of gold is imperative for effective world economic recovery; therefore the Chamber urges the principal Governments concerned to inaugurate immediately appropriate consultations for the purpose of formulating and putting into effect an agreement for provisional stabilization in order to enable Governments to take speediest possible measures for adjusting their national economic and financial policies to assure the safe functioning of an international gold standard over a

long period.»

That polysyllabic resolution is as clear as mud to me, and seems to have as much resemblance to scientific economics as a ton of cinders has to a hundredweight of live coal. Yet even its very meaninglessness may be the reason for its release on a bewildered world by those initiated into the esoteric mysteries of the «competent economists.» Perhaps Col. Gurney may be kind enough to enlighten our darkness on this mumbojumbo belonging to the Neolithic Age? In so doing, will he please remember that failure to make practical appraise ment of the merits of the Douglas proposals in relation to the Old Economics is not necessarily a sign of thought, but may be an illusion that the lack of mental energy is a sign of decision?

May I add that I am so arrogant as not to be in the least impressed by anything that Mr. Hartley Withers or any other financial editor may say on either the New or the Old Economics? *Don't shoot the pianist, he is doing his best, » is my attitude to all financial editors. For I am much more impressed by the fact that all financial editors and «competent economists» have been doing their best to «shoot up» the Douglas proposals for fifteen years, only to find that this year the Government of Alberta has appointed Major Douglas as their Chief Reconstruction Adviser; and that after a visit to Canada he has issued his interim report on the possibility of applying Social Credit to the Province

of Alberta.

Perhaps some of your readers may not know that there is a considerable library of books written by Major Douglas and other advocates of his proposals. I would urge again their reading some, at least, of these books rather than risk being will a other by rather than risk being misled either by Captain Dare or by Col. Gurney or by any other gallant gentleman or by myself. WILLIAM BELL.

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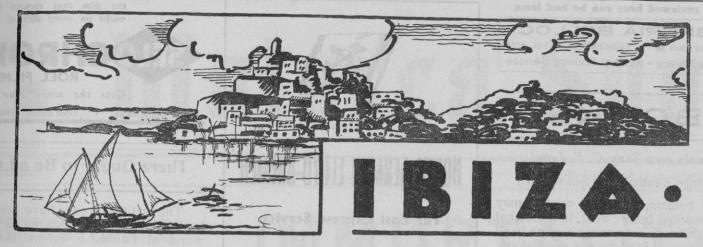
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The well-known Catalan lawyer, Don Alberto Morera, from Madrid, has arrived with his family. They have taken up their abode at the Hotel If in For-

Mons. Ami Chantre, the writer, has come from Paris for his third trip to Ibiza and is staying at the Fonda La Marina.

Mr. Jonny Jonston and Mr. and Mrs. Harper, from Formentor, spent their week-end at Ca Vostra. Miss Eva Niedermeyer is expected there. Mrs. Schneider-Kainer will be back from a short visit to Palma by the end of the week the week.

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A Social Note-An Apology

Mr. Lynn W. Franklin of the American Consulate General, Barcelona, who was here for a few days early in the week in a business capacity left on Thursday night for Barcelona. We have heard so much lately of Anglo-American accord that possibly our mistake last week in speaking of Mr. Franklin as British Vice-Consul is understandable. At any rate we are sorry for our slip.

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BOOKS

Meals on a Tray C. F. Leyel

(George Routledge & Sons, Ltd.)

This column, as some readers may have remarked before now, is somewhat elastic, and does not always confine itself to discussion of food for the mind alone. (I feel this is a good loophole for a nasty comeback from somebody, but let's let it go at that.) Anyway, while prowling among the books and papers in various shops and kiosks recently, I came across a slim and inexpensive little volume which actually proved not to be a collection of poems-at least, not exactly, for the preface informed me that there is poetry in English food, if it is English, and that a dish of steaming brown caudle would rejoice the heart of a foreigner on a cold night as much as the impromptu food of other countries cheers the English.

I must confess that my heart rather sank when I remembered some meals I have had in England, both with and without trays, which brought what might, with a stretch of imagination, be called blank verse to my lips; and during the present heat spell the mere thought of steaming brown caudle made me turn a trifle pale. Then another passage caught my wavering eye,: «For the writer, this kind of meal (on a tray) has always had an attraction, perhaps because it is associated with a dish of Neapolitan figs, some slices of smoked ham and a flask of red wine. In Provence the tray would hold an omelette aux fines herbes and a bottle of vin rosée, or in Tuscay a bowl of roasted chestnuts and a white Orvieto.»

This sounded better, and was followed up by a statement that every menu in the book can be prepared in half an hour (later I found this to be no wild calculation) and a list of all the things necessary for your store cupboard and larder. All quite simple.

I remembered the wavering look in the eye of my criada when I told her that I would have to cut down her wages these hard times, I looked at the calm little recipes again and made up my mind. Clutching the book to me I went home and told the criada I would prepare my own suppers.

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There Ought to Be a Law-

The last two weeks have been pretty hectic ones in the so-called newspaper world of Palma. It seems that about every so often we must go through one of these trying times of tremendous activity. A foreigner is arrested for something besides failure to pay his bills and the Press of the world becomes aware again of the tiny Island of Mallorca. Professional reporters converge on Palma as though drawn by a magnet. Local amateurs go sleuthing about in their best manner. We wouldn't be surprised to find that some of them even had sets of false whiskers and other disguises hidden away in their desks. They dash to and from the jail and there is whispering over coffee in Lena's. Pockets bulge with blue telegrams, and literally pools of perspiration are left in telephone booths as the gallant band try to get through to London or Paris.

And what's it all about? Does the public crave to read day after day about the unfortunate person who is locked up, just what he had to eat, how he slept, even what he is supposed to be thinking? The first time, the public probably does want to read it, but every day for two weeks, no. And the editors that spread the story over their pagesa four hundred word sob-story cut to one line and one line stretched into a column. Mythical telephone messages that are turned into tear-wringing paragraphs. Do Viscounts and other gentle men of the columns feel that their righteous indignation is somewhat assuaged by scurrilous paragraphs printed under their names, painting Mallorca as a perfectly dismal place—a place by all means to stay away from? Our guess is no. In America we would say it's all the

But it's an ill wind that has no silver lining, or words to that effect, and one learns something from every sort of happening or experience. We have only been in the racket a comparatively short time, all of which has been in Palma and with one paper (practically a record for journalistic endeavour on the Island)-THE MAJORCA SUN. We don't get around a great deal but had always been lead to believe that there were three papers printed here in English until a short time ago, when a merger reduced the number to two. Not so. We were considerably intrigued and pleasantly surprised to read at the better than the surprised to the house surprised t read at the bottom of a large advertise ment in Saturday's Et Dia that our friendly rival, «The Palma Post» (formerly daily, now a weekly) was «The English Paper of Mallorca.» Well, heigh-ho and lack-a-day It's a well, heigh-ho and lack-a-day. It's a very small matter R. M. G. after all.