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PERSIAN MINISTER DISMISSED; SHAH GIVES NO REASON

Move Believed Connected With the Anglo-Persian Oil Concession Rumpus

TEHERAN, Tuesday.—Political circles here were startled today by the announcement that Teymo Urtash, minister of court, has been dismissed by the Shah.

No reasons have been offered in explanation of the move but observers are connecting the dismissal order with the Anglo-Persian oil concession dispute.

Urtash, as the Shah's closest advisor, took a prominent part in the discussions with the resident director of the oil company before the cancellation of the concession.

This being the case, it is thought the Shah is displeased with the outcome of the cancellation order which brought with it so much trouble for the Persian government and considerable ill will between Persia and Great Britain.

However in this connection it also should be remembered that when the cancellation was announced November 27, it was stated the step was taken solely at the Shah's initiative.

"Flying Father" Is Refused Stage by New York Mayor

NEW YORK Tuesday.—The unpopularity of George R. Hutchinson took a more definite form here with the execution of an order that the Hutchinson baby girls should not be allowed to act on a Brooklyn vaudeville stage to raise money for their father.

The order was issued by Mayor Joseph McKee.

Hutchinson was the head of a «flying family» which met trouble in its attempt to cross the Atlantic this summer. The wide criticism of Hutchinson for his taking two baby girls on the flight was said to be responsible for the mayoral order since Hutchinson had signed up his baby daughters to raise money for another risky flight on which they would be the unwitting passengers.

According to Hutchinson, the next flight will be a hop from London to Australia, a flight for which 50,000 dollars, is necessary.

Following the first Hutchinson disaster, in which the lives of the two children were jeopardized, the protests against the acts of father were so widespread that there was serious danger of a law being passed against flight of that type.

CRISIS IMPENDS IN SOUTH AFRICA; FALL OF GOV'T EXPECTED

Pressure of Gold Standard And New Racial Strife Are Chief Contentions

CAPETOWN, Tuesday.—Fall of the Hertzog government is momentarily expected here following the arising of a crisis which threatens to be one of the most serious in South African history.

The back of the present government has been virtually broken already, according to reliable observers here, since the country is split on the vital racial question and the indecision over the abandonment of the gold standard.

Racialism has always been an issue here, but it is only recently that the maintenance of the gold standard has become dangerously locked with the famous South African issue.

The government has contrived to maintain the gold standard, to the considerable disadvantage of the agricultural interests of the country, for some time by a system of export subsidies and other artificial expedients.

The Tielmen Roos combination is expected to replace the Hertzog government, but the exact policies of the new coalition will follow are not known here, and the country is left in considerable doubt.

Premier Hertzog has been anticipating an attempt to oust him from power, and for that reason recent speeches have been vituperative in the extreme. It is thought here that the premier hopes to maintain power by whipping up racial sentiment to cover the laxity of his government in handling the federal finances.

It is on account of this move of the present premier that observers here fear rapid changes in the government of the country, if not actual violence.

Believe British Consul Murdered

VERA CRUZ, Tuesday.—Finding of the body of British Consul Hogg, caused authorities here to believe that he had been murdered.

Miss Lorna Hogg, daughter of the consul, was murdered in October 1931.

Democratic Leaders State Congress To Meet in the Spring

Dock Strike Ties French Ports

LE HAVRE, Tuesday.—Shipping from the French Atlantic ports stayed at a virtual standstill today as it suddenly became evident that the Communist strike applied to all the ports.

Shipping from this port doesn't exist, while at Cherbourg and St. Nazaire the workers are also on strike.

The only port where ships have been able to clear any freight has been Cherbourg, where the important lines have run in a force of scab workers to carry on. The service there, however, is imperfect, and it is feared that at any time the strikers may force a complete halt.

Madman Shoots at Train in France

PARIS, Tuesday.—Passengers were thrown into confusion when the Bordeaux express was fired upon near here today.

The train was immediately stopped and employees gave chase to the miscreant.

When he was caught he was found to be a recently-discharged lunatic who had fired all chambers of his revolver at the passing train after a vain attempt to derail it.

Madame Curie Assured Of Radium Supply

PARIS, Tuesday.—Madame Curie, discoverer of radium, has reached an agreement with Major Bernard Day, who represents persons financially interested in the recent radium discoveries in the Great Bear Lake district in Canada, whereby she will be supplied with the ore.

Recently Madame Curie has been greatly handicapped in her researches by lack of the ore.

U. S. Miners Perish

MONFAQUA, Illinois, Tuesday.—Hope of saving 64 coal miners, trapped 700 feet underground as the result of an explosion, has been abandoned.

Special Session to Take Up Matters of Budget, Farm Relief and Beer

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.—Congress will meet in special session early this spring, it was announced today by Democratic leaders.

The extra session which was more or less expected because of the large number of important questions which the United States law makers must consider, will be concerned chiefly with balancing the budget, farm relief and the expedition of beer legalization.

Those who announced the special session, however, said the spring session would also be available for the consideration of many subjects.

New situations which may arise in the meantime will be given special attention, it was stated. Unquestionably the legislators have in mind new developments in the problems of war debts, disarmament, currency and world prices.

By calling the extra session the long wait until the regular session in December, 1933, will be avoided and the Democrats, who are in a big majority, will be able to enact their pet laws.

In all probability action taken at the special session will be far more favorable to European countries, especially in the matter of economics. American au-

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James A. Mollison To Fly the Atlantic

LONDON, Tuesday.—Captain James A. Mollison, British aviator, is planning to fly to Rio de Janeiro about February 7.

He will take off on the ocean passage from Dakar in French West Africa which is 2000 miles from the South American coast.

Captain Mollison has chosen the time of his trip so as to take advantage of a full moon.

Exchange Rates

By United Press

Franc in Madrid	47.85
Pound in Madrid	40.95
Dollar in Madrid	12.28
Reichsmark	2.915

Relations Between Mexico And Spain Growing Much Better

By J. H. PLEEN

United Press Staff Correspondent

MEXICO CITY.—Relations between Mexico and its «mother country» have taken a definite turn on the path to cordiality and better understanding.

Not only have political commentators begun to dig up justification for the Spanish culture which permeates Mexican life, but the extreme «nationalistic» propaganda carried on by Anti-Spanish societies seems to be abating.

Simultaneous with return of Julio Alvarez del Vayo, Spanish ambassador to Mexico, announcement came from Spain that Niceto Alcalá Zamora will visit Mexico, probably early in 1933. Extreme importance has been attached to the forthcoming trip of the Spanish executive, regarded now as symbolic of the

change in relations of the two nations.

Of course the attitude of Mexico to Spain has not been exactly hostile, but during the monarchy and since the overthrow of Porfirio Díaz the intense movement in Mexico for recovery of the national integrity has tended to the casting off of any and all extraneous influences.

The newer tendency in Mexico is being led by a school of thinkers which is taking the place of the «folklorists» and the champions of the Indian as the only real Mexican.

What the new movement amounts to is a merging of the two extremist tendencies, repudiating both the attempt to wipe out the native origin of the Mexican and the attempt to do away entirely with the 400-year influence of foreign dominations,

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Jazz Drove Originators "Nuts"

All the Founders Of Dixieland Band Have Quit

By EARL B. STEELE

United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW ORLEANS.—«Hold That Tiger!»

From Harlem to Hollywood, synchronized to clanging symbols, stamping feet; drowned out with whoops, blaring trumpets and screeching clarinets, that cry has rattled the rafters and rocked the radios for 15 years.

Back here in New Orleans, disgusted with it all, is the man who started it. He is Nick LaRocca, organizer and director of the most celebrated band of «outlaws» that ever raided the music world — The Original Dixieland Jazz Band.

Eighteen years ago they were just five boys who lived in the same neighborhood here. They didn't know a note of music, nor did they ever try to learn one. They were content to improvise their own tunes. They injected something of the gaiety and abandon they picked up from Mardi Gras carnival parades; something of the weird negro harmonies, into their music. They livened it with «faking» and gave birth to «hokum» in music.

When they finally decided to set forth from their native city, they took the country by storm. For three years they played at Reisenweber's Cate in New York. They were featured over the greatest stars of vaudeville and legitimate stage. They played the capitals of Europe and were feted by royalty. They commanded a salary of \$1,200 a night.

LaRocca said the boys themselves didn't know how they got started. He had been tooting an old cornet, and knew, a few simple tunes. There was Anthony Sbarbaro, who was always beating on something; Harry Ragas, who had been picking out tunes on a piano since he was a boy; Lawrence Shields, who had spent long hours experimenting with queer noises on a clarinet; and Eddie Edwards, who kept the neighbors awake nights with his trombone.

They played at wedding parties, christenings, picnics and finally dances around New Orleans. One night they played their way into a prize fight and Harry James, then manager of the Schiller Cafe, in Chicago, heard them.

He persuaded the reluctant boys to go to Chicago with him. Their first appearance, garbed in straw hats, with red bandana handkerchiefs around their necks, was a sensation. A drunk staggered to the band

Against Great Britain, Book Says

By HERBERT MOORE

United Press Staff Correspondent

LONDON.—Official secrets about the system of treaties and diplomacy which brought on the World War have been revealed here with the astonishing disclosure that in 1912 Belgium did not even trust Britain, the guardian of her neutrality, and in fact, had prepared her military defense against a possible British invasion. It is contained in a volume entitled "British Documents On the Origins of the War."

While the British public still feels that their country did the right thing when she entered the World War to uphold Belgium's neutrality, many received a jolt to read these disclosures whose authenticity cannot be doubted. The first reaction was that nothing except a new diplomacy can assure world peace, no matter how many anti-war treaties are created.

The official disclosures show that the Belgian War Minister in 1912 placed so little reliance on the sanctity of the treaties guaranteeing his country's independence that he had schemes prepared for defence not only against Germany and against France, but against Great Britain, and that he considered the latter the most serious danger.

It also is revealed that the British Foreign Office was convinced as early as 1908 that if France

stand and shouted to LaRocca: «Jass it up.»

Jazz was spelled «jass» those days and had a meaning foreign to music, but the word stuck. The band was advertised as the «Dixieland Jass Band.» Later the word developed to «jazz.»

LaRocca composed «Tiger Rag.» but of course he didn't write it. He couldn't. The original score was never put to music. The same was true of «Bugle Call Blues,» «Clarinet Marmalade,» «Livery Stable Blues,» «Singin' the Blues,» and many others.

When Ragas died, on the eve of the departure for the European tour, the band almost broke up. It took weeks to find a substitute—one who could pick up the queer harmonies. Talented pianists failed. Finally Russell Robinson, who also played by ear, qualified for the job.

Discussing how the band finally broke up. LaRocca said: «We were all going nuts. The kind of a life we were forced to lead had us all down. The millionaires didn't treat us like hired musicians, they made celebrities of us. That kind of life, night after night year, after year, was too much. I quit. The others agreed to do the same.» LaRocca lives here with his wife now. Has not touched his trumpet for six years and does not plan to do so again.

ce violated Belgian neutrality in a war with Germany, it would «be doubtful» whether Britain or Russia would «move a finger to maintain» Belgian neutrality, but that the opposite would be the case if Germany were the aggressor.

The disclosures show that Lord Hardinge, Permanent Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, appended the following comment to a memorandum regarding Britain's policy in 1908:

«Supposing that France violated the neutrality of Belgium in a war against Germany, it is, under present circumstances, doubtful whether Britain or Russia would move a finger to maintain Belgian neutrality, which (sic) if the neutrality of Belgium were violated by Germany, it is probable that the converse would be the case».

Sir Edward Gray, the Foreign Minister, added this comment:

«I am much obliged for this useful minute; I think it sums up the situation very well, through Sir C. Hardinge's reflection is also to the point».

Commenting on the disclosures the «News Chronicle» declared «the papers leave a deplorable impression on the mind of the reader. It is easy to see now, after the event, that a diplomacy which thought and talked like this could only end in an explosion».

Magazine Picture Made Star Gazer

By United Press

BERKELEY, Cal.—A photograph in a magazine changed George F. Tauchman from an average man—working six days a week and pattering around his workshop in his back yard—to a full-fledged astronomer in four years.

In 1928, Thor Soderland, a friend, showed Tauchman a photograph of a telescope in a scientific magazine.

«I'll build one of those,» Tauchman said.

Today he has his observatory in his back yard, constructed entirely by himself, and a large telescope, also built by himself. Although it took him two years to make good his promise, Tauchman now has won the recognition of world-famous astronomers who visit him.

He has become a member of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, photographed moon eclipses, and applied for patents on various types of his home-made equipment.

When Tauchman started his telescope he made his lenses from discarded ship porthole glasses.

Cigarets Originally Used Hundred Years Ago

By United Press

PARIS.—The cigaret is 100 years old, but the conditions of its birth are so obscure that the world is not celebrating its centennial. Indirectly, smokers will toast its 100 years by smoking 2,000,000 tons of cigarets this year.

Like many another famous invention, the cigaret's creation was due to an accident. The generally accepted story is that it was born in 1832, during the siege of Saint Jean d'Acre by the troops of Ibrahim Pacha, Viceroy of Egypt.

Legend says that the Egyptian soldiers were faced by an emergency. A camel caravan had brought a great quantity of Turkish tobacco, but another caravan loaded with pipes had been captured by the Turks. The soldiers had plenty of tobacco and wanted to smoke, but in the absence of pipes, were obliged to find a substitute.

An officer solved the problem by rolling a pinch of tobacco in a piece of tissue paper and enjoyed the smoke. The news spread over the camp and those who could not find tissue paper used a trypse of India paper.

The French tobacco monopoly administration, without verifying that picturesque legend, admits that the cigaret came to Europe from the Near East, carried back by navigators. As far as France is concerned, the oldest official documents is an order signed by Louis-Philippe on Oct. 22, 1843, which authorizes the royal factory to manufacture cigarets.

Less than 20 years later, France smoked 7,400,000 cigarets a year. Last year, Frenchmen smoked 18,351,659,000 cigarets, corresponding to 18,000 tons of tobacco.

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Wanted: a Consul

It is indeed an odd story that Mr. Dorr E. Newton has to tell of his efforts to secure an American Consul for Palma and of the stone walls he has run up against at every turning.

A representative of the PALMA POST is at present in Barcelona investigating some phases of the situation which, if Mr. Newton has given us the facts, would seem to indicate that there is a decided feeling against aiding this Island in any way, at least as far as the nearest Consul General is concerned.

The POST'S representative hopes to bring back a statement from the Barcelona Consulate General which will either bear up Mr. Newton's charges (his statements can be regarded as nothing else) or refute them.

By the word «refute» we mean to refute them to the satisfaction of Americans here, not merely to issue an indignant denial. It hardly seems possible that, following the publication of Mr. Newton's unflattering opinion of the Consul's attitude, that a statement of some sort will be denied.

Until this statement is given, we who are interested in bringing an American Consul to Mallorca find ourselves with our hands tied. We have no right to judge an official located in Barcelona on the remarks of Mr. Newton, or of any other individual, no matter how reliable we know that person to be. It is always possible for a listener to misinterpret the words of the speaker.

If, however, it is found that Mr. Newton has reported the occurrence accurately, we will have been given something we can get our teeth into. A definite complaint of lack of interest on the part of a consular official can be made to the powers that be in Washington and it is unthinkable that something will not

FASHIONS IN PARIS

By United Press

PARIS—The Worth midseason collection hints at spring fashions trend and introduces a new range of colors but principally combinations of beige, gray, sand black and, white in delightful manner

Aside from the fur trimmed long coats and suits shown at this time Worth has shown a number of models which will have a decided influence on spring fashion. These are the flaring shoulder capes, worn over light wool or crinkly crepe frocks with fur around the bottom.

«Fontainebleau» a black and white crepe satin afternoon ensemble is already a favorite with Parisian clients. Its bodice of draped white satin, with its curiously shaped puffed and shirred short sleeves of the black matching the simply cut skirt offer a smart afternoon costume, suitable for many occasions. When worn with its accompanying black cape, bordered with black fox and tying close to the throat, it makes a costume embodying all the elements of chic.

A brownish beige woolen costume consists of a simple sports dress and jacket with cape sleeves, the distinguishing feature of which, is its trimming of stitching. It is called «Eveaux» and is particularly young and charming.

Shut your eyes for a moment and visualize on a huge panoramic slate, all the fashions that has been conspicuous for the past six months. This is what Parisian couturiers have done, and before they went about designing their new models for 1932, they took a sponge and, standing before each figure on the slate, very carefully wiped off the objectionable features of each dress or ensemble.

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Chinese Peace Groups Fail

By United Press

PEIPING, China.—The Chinese Anti-Civil War League, launched with such a fanfare when the country was anxious to convince the world and the League of Nations that China was well on the road to unity, has so far failed.

Since the Anti-Civil War League was organized with branches in Shanghai, Tientsin, Canton, Nanking, Peiping and other major cities, there has been serious and sanguinary internecine strife in Shantung Province, Szechuan Province and Shensi Province. Civil war looms in the Province of Kweichow.

The sponsors of the Anti-Civil War League, mainly merchants, educators, bankers and profes-

sional men, have not yet abandoned their positions, however, despite the thunder of cannon and the rattle of guns. Although their efforts have not succeeded they believe that their campaign of education will ultimately prove effective and that coming generations will appreciate the folly of permitting individual warlords to parcel out whole provinces among themselves.

The Central government made futile efforts to induce militarists in Shantung, Szechuan and Shensi to postpone their civil war until the League of Nations could deal with the Lytton Report on the Sino-Japanese crisis. Too long had the militarists waited in vain for nebulous statesmen at distant Geneva to hand Manchuria back to China on a silver platter.

Members of the Anti-Civil War League in areas where there has been actual civil war have been unable to make effective a policy of non-corporation with the militarists. They have met the demands of the militarists for funds and supplies when troops at the gates of the walled city were ready to plunder unless the merchants «came across».

It is difficult to believe that the service is not already aware of the crying need for a consul here. A representative of the Barcelona consulate visited the Island only recently and he must have walked down the Borne with his eyes shut if he does not know that there are enough Americans on the Island to justify the maintenance of a consulate in Palma.

Want Ads in the PALMA POST bring results.

Studio Star Dust

By LEICESTER WAGNER

United Press Staff Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD—A Hollywood-Cinderella story:

There years ago a young artist's model was brought to Hollywood under a contract to a major studio. For six months she awaited the studio call that never came, and upon the expiration of her contract, she returned to Denmark, her native country.

Today, this former model, Gwili Andre, is well on her way to picture fame, under contract to RKO-Radio and has had the lead in three important pictures.

Gwili's first adventure here bewildered her. She knew not nor cared how to get into pictures. Instead of seeking out the casting offices, she awaited the call that never came. Apparently, the studio was too busy, or perhaps it forgot the blonde Miss who spoke better Danish than English.

She was re-discovered by talent scouts who saw her face on many magazine covers.

Al Jolson's long-awaited picture, «Hallelujah, I'm a Bum,» is near completion at United Artists. It embraces a revolutionary idea of «photographic music» from start to finish, and permits Al to sing six new hit numbers.

Jolson plays the role of a vagabond, leader of a group which makes its headquarters in Manhattan's Central Park. Roland Young plays the major of New York, while Madge Evans, Harry Langdon, and Chester Conklin give him strong support.

It was a long job to make «Hallelujah, Etc.» Once it was necessary to recall Jolson from a personal appearance to remake scenes costing 150,000 dollars which were found unsatisfactory when previewed. It brought the production cost to nearly 500,000 dollars.

Incidentally, Constance Bennett's latest, «Rock-Bye,» will cost RKO around 600,000 dollars, about two-thirds more than it should, because retakes were necessary for most of the picture.

Irene Dunn and Phillips Holmes will have the leading roles in «The Lady» for M-G-M. . . Vera Hillie of Detroit, won a film contest and a trip to Hollywood, but failed to click. She changed her personality, bobbed her hair, and now has a contract at Paramount. . . Most of the stunt men in Hollywood are playing their name roles in «Lucky Devils,» which shows the hazards taken by men who double for the stars.

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By T. P. LEAMAN

Special cable to the PALMA POST
 BARCELONA, Tuesday—Christmas brought sad news to this city as the count was made today of the damage done the city through the burning of El Siglo, the largest department store in Spain.

This city went back to work today after the holidays, but according to the latest word of the managers of the store, there are 1400 employees who lost their jobs through the razing of the great structure on the Rambla, and there are 8,000 workmen whose jobs depended more or less directly on the department store.

The fire was first noticed during the early hours of Christmas morning, but it had gained such headway there was no means of stopping it.

The store extended over seven large buildings, and it took the city's entire fire-fighting apparatus to hold it in check. Until late Monday flames were visible, and it was not until today that the conflagration was entirely mastered. Six firemen were injured in their attempts to quell the blaze, but they were the only casualties caused by the fire.

From the moment of the first alarm, the fire became a public calamity in which civic officials were deeply concerned. President Francisco Macia, of the new Catalan state, was one of the first to rush to the scene. On his way he was caught in a traffic jam, and ran on foot to the scene of the disaster. According to latest estimates the damage was placed at 40,000,000 pesetas.

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On the Island

Whith many parties being given in Palma and its smarter suburbs the Christmas weekend was one of the gayest for both Mallorcans and their foreign visitors. The day is a particularly appropriate one for the furtherance of friendship between the two, since the Mallorcan parties on Christmas and on Christmas Eve are devoted to the plentiful drinking of hard liquor, and so, though we blush to say it, the two kinds of parties given were very much of a kind.

One of the typically Mallorcan parties to which two *extranjeros* were invited was that given by Sr. and Sra. Francisco Homs. The two ladies who celebrated Christmas at the Mallorcan party were Mrs. Mary L. Richardson and Mrs. Daris Cameron.

Mrs. Alice Robbins gave a big cocktail party at her home for her friend Mrs. A. A. Laideau.

After making the round of farewell parties, Mr. Vance Goddard of No. 2 calle Caro left Monday night aboard the Barcelona boat to take the Bremen to New York. He will take care of his business in that city and in Colorado and be back in Palma within a month.

Mr. Jerome Littoras of 43 Plaza Puerto gave a big Mallorcan dinner over the holidays. The party was in accord with the style of lavish Spanish gaiety of the season, and lasted until early in the morning.

It has become known here that the Princess Henri XXXIII of Reuss, the former Mrs. Anson Burchard, is planning to come to Mallorca for an indefinite stay.

M. Olivier Regnault is planning to form a company of French financiers to promote the building of a large and thoroughly modern hotel in Ibiza. The hotel is to be modern both in decoration and fittings inside, but will adhere to the charming architectural style of the Island on the exterior.

Mrs. Walter Roberts and Mr. Gilberts, her son, have arrived in Palma from their home in Cala Ratjada to spend the holiday season with their many friend here. They are stopping at the Hotel Inglés.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Meirs gave a big Christmas party to their friends at their home in El Terreno.

Mr. Richard Henderson gave a big cocktail party on Christmas day at his residence.

Important among the the parties of Christmas day were the open house of Mrs. Leonard Liebling, who lives in the new house at No. 53 calle 14 de Abril, Terreno, and the house warming held by Mr. and Mrs. Eyre Pinckard in their refurbished «palace». Mlle. Natacha Rambova has taken charge of the beautifying of the Pinckard house and it is now known to be one of the most striking old Mallorcan homes on the Island.

Spain Releases the Sick Ex-premier Berenguer

MADRID, Tuesday.—Ex-premier Berenguer, who has been undergoing a term of imprisonment for acts which were deemed treasonable by the republic, was released on account of sickness.

Berenguer has been allowed to stay in his home under heavy guard.

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Reasons most commonly given for the rise in the volume of trade, which in many cases is listed as three times higher than ever before, were that the Mallorcan merchants have finally learned what the foreign buyer wants and that there are a far greater number of foreigners here at present, than formerly.

In the opinion of the Mallorcan merchants, their success was in no way injured by the large number of new *extranjero* shops which have opened in Terreno and in Palma.

The management of Casa Ro reported a particular success with a line of Christmas tree decorations, which they offered for the first time this year.

Nin, Communist Writer, Arrested in Spain

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The Pollensa Colony

The Puerto had a big Christmas, in all departments. Celebration began with the regular Friday night dance at Scottie's Bar: There the Dolly Sisters of Valencia, now dancing at the Born in Palma, appeared at the cocktail hour and later in the evening, scoring a big success.

On Christmas Eve, Mr. and Mrs. Randolp Pietsch held a big party in their beautiful home on the far side of the bay. The next day many entertained and held open house in their homes. Turkey dinner at C'An Anet was one of the best that has ever appeared in the Puerto. Mr. Dipplehoffer and Louise, the two most famous Pollensa turkeys, passed away the day before Christmas. Although they were enemies in their frustrated love-life, they spent their last night together side by side in the ice-box, Pollensa's only Abelard and Eloise. Everyone is now looking forward to next weekend, when the Puerto plans to uphold her end of the Island in ushering in the New Year.

Six people entered the Russian Bank Tournament at C'An Anet last week. Com. Lyons emerged as winner, and the places of the others, in order, were: Mr. Hageman, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Hageman, and Miss Weston, who captured the only prize, a booby award of champagne.

Miss Sheila Rose had left for Switzerland, where she will

spend several weeks at winter sports.

The Hotel Bellavista has completed the installation of its central heating and is now the only hotel in the Puerto offering full pension for as low as eleven pesetas a day with a radiator in your own room. The hotel, though small, with fifteen rooms and twenty-three beds, is very comfortable. It has three excellent terraces, on which it is possible to enjoy the sun all day long. A good cuisine is offered by Sra. Alberti, wife of the owner, Sr. Ramon Alberti.

A branch of Casa Bonet, of Palma, opened in Puerto Pollensa in a house a short distance past the Bellavista Hotel. This will be operated by the gracious Sra. Concha Mones, who already has on hand a large assortment of goods, including lingerie, toilet articles, pyjamas, sweaters, stockings, handkerchiefs, embroideries, etc. It will now be possible to get all the Palma store's materials in the Puerto. Bonet's supply many of the fashionable stores in London and New York, where things sold reasonably here fetch very fancy prices.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thompson, of Garden City, Hertfordshire, England, have arrived at the Hotel Mar I Cel, as have Mr. and Mrs. Jean Marguery, of Paris.

El Sandalio.

Democratic Chiefs Will Demand An Extra Session

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authorities are now regarding the world economic conference with the keenest anticipation. The attitude is in contrast to that not long ago when government refused to send delegates if there to be discussions on war debts and tariffs.

The debts reservations have been abandoned and Roosevelt, who will be in office during the period of the conference, is reported to favor withdrawing the ban on tariff discussion.

This week the President-Elect will confer with American experts engaged in preparatory work. Following this he is expected to make a statement favoring discussion of tariffs as disturbers of international commerce.

AUTHOR SAYS THERE IS CULTURE IN AMERICA

By United Press

CHICAGO. — Clemence Dane, English author, has won a place in the hearts of Chicagoans: she concedes there is culture in America.

Miss Dane, playwright novelist and actress, known for her plays, «A Bill of Divorcement» and «Will Shakespeare», is on her way to Hollywood. But she lingered in Chicago long enough to admire the skyscrapers, the «gacelut feet of American women», the crimson autumn and cleanliness.

Her real name, she said, is Winifred Austin. She dictates all her work, even «Broome Stages», one of her best known novels. She recently finished a play for Catherine Cornell and an opera.

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