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ON THE ISLAND

It is rumour season again, and the rumours are both ripe and heading the list this week is the rumour that Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., will arrive on the Island on Wednesday, coming from London. Mr. Fairbanks, and his famous father as well, spent some time here last season and liked it, so the rumour seems authentic. Until we clap eyes on him, we shall call the present report a rumour.

NOTHER:—

And another rumour which is going the rounds is that the Prince of Wales will soon revisit Mallorca, thus upsetting again the monastic life of the local newshounds. The Prince is leaving this week for the Riviera, and will stay at Cannes for three weeks. It is but a jump to Mallorca from Cannes, and the Prince has already indicated his liking for the Island by composing that well-known tune for bagpipes which he named after this place. It has fondly hoped—and loudly rumoured—that we shall see him in Mallorca before many weeks have rolled along.

CRUISERS:—

Mr. Donald Newhall expects to have his Picotée ready to sail the time this note is in print, if not before, and will thereupon cruise around the Island with Mr. Robert Gavett aboard to lend a hand with the mainsheet and shake a cocktail or two, thus being as well as a guest.

Mr. Harold Leinau, skipper of the Nimbus, returned to port yesterday with a dyspeptic motor. Mr. Leinau expects to give the motor a good dose of something or other to improve its digestion, and to leave on a ten day cruise in Mallorcan waters. The sun-tanned motor uses sail generally, but a motor is a handy thing with which to get in and out of ports, so medical work is proceeding apace.

UESTS:—

Don Juan March Manjo had as his guests on Wednesday at his summer home at the Playa Santa Margarita, Mr. and Mrs. G. Frank Nassant and Don José Sastre of Madrid.

ECITAL:—

Don Arturo Torrandell presided at a recital of his pupils at home on Wednesday. A large group of friends was present, and among them Sr. Torrandell played a few compositions following the performance of the pupils. His Wednesday afternoon musicales are continuing to be popular with music-lovers in the foreign colony.

ENGLAND:—

Miss Ross Noble, the composer, and her friend Miss Pamela Anderson sailed on Thursday for England. They were rather vague as to how long they will be there and just where they will spend their time, but—significant detail—they both have return passages.

ETIRING:—

Dr. Juan Pieras Alegre, the surgeon and gynecologist, is leaving the island of Formentera during the week. The doctor states that he needs a rest, and Formentera is a good place to which to retire. He was one of the guests at the combined radio and cocktail party given by Mr. and Mrs. Heinz Moritz on Wednesday evening. Among the other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Riviera, Miss Stephanie Wagner, Miss Nita Dreilberg and Mr. and Mrs. Eston.

ASITA:—

Mr. and Mrs. Eston, mentioned above, are occupying the casita on the Calle de Baños below the Hotel Victoria formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Nelson. The Estons, like the Nelsons, find the casita not too large to get lost in, and just large enough for parties. Mr. Eston is an artist, and a former student at the Boston School of Fine Art. He and his wife, who is also a Bostonian, expect to stay on the Island at least until next Spring.

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FIESTA WEEK IN PALMA HIGH LIGHTS OF PROGRAMME EXCITEMENT

A large arch of greenery, bearing the coat of arms of the province and the word «Diputación», has been placed at one end of the Borne; more greenery is beginning to line the sides of that *paseo*; the trees have begun to bear strange fruit made with electric lamps and coloured paper; and yet another kiosk—a temporary one—has sprung up in front of the Telefónica.

All this means that Fiesta Week is upon us.

Every girl in Palma who works with her needle—in a commercial way, of course—is reported to be thrilled to death in anticipation of the *verbena* which is to be held for the City's *modistillas* in the Borne on Thursday. In fact, the Dependencia Mercantil, which is organising the festival, has been obliged to arrange another for all comers for the following Saturday.

For the general public, and especially for the foreign element, the feature that must not be missed is the unique performances of the *Xiquets de Valls*. The origin and achievements of these «human tower» builders were described in a special article in last week's PALMA POST.

The Enfants de Neptune of Perpignan, it is reported, are bringing a strong team to meet that of the Club de Regatas de Palma in their two matches here. Among them is «Junior Villa», a champion of France.

Mlle. Simone Olivet, who holds the French ladies' title for the 100 metres free stroke, is also coming, and in her honour the Palma club is turning out the strongest feminine team it can muster. Señorita Carmen Guardia, runner-up in the breast stroke championship of Spain, is their trump card.

Here is the programme of the week of *ferias y fiestas*:

Saturday, August 3.—*Diana* (aubade) by pipes and tabours and parade of giants and *cabezudos* at 6 a.m.

4 p.m. Horse races at the Hipódromo.

10 p.m. Cycle races at the Velódromo.

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BULLFIGHT ARRIVAL OF THE PERFORMERS

Fernando Dominguez, one of the diestros taking part in the feria bullfight in Palma on Sunday, arrived here from Valencia with his cuadrilla on Friday.

Pepe Gallardo was expected to arrive on Saturday, and Jaime Noain, the Basque torero, is due in on Sunday morning.

Dominguez won loud applause in his performance with his first bull in the eighth corrida de feria at Valencia on Thursday, both by his cape work and his faena. His other bull was tame and gave him no chance to show his abilities.

A special *presidencia de honor* will be formed at Sunday's bullfight by Miss Baleares 1935, Miss Comercio 1935, their predecessors of 1934, and a whole selection of Mallorquin girls officially declared the prettiest in their respective villages. They will parade in the ring before the corrida in the strains of several bands, while a flock of carrier pigeons is let loose overhead.

The six bulls from the Viuda de Aleas herd who will play the principal parts in Sunday's spectacle arrived on the Barcelona boat on Wednesday. They were released from their travelling crates in the bullring at 6 p.m. on that day.

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BURNED WOODS AT CAPDEPERA THEORY OF ARSON STRENGTHENED OFFICIAL REPORT

The theory that the recent «forest» fire in the Capdepera district was caused deliberately is confirmed by a long and detailed report received during the week from the Civil Guard post at Artá by the Civil Governor in Palma.

The report states that it has not been possible to arrest the incendiaries yet, but that suspicions point to a certain person of advanced political ideas, who is known to have been in the places where the fire started a few hours before it broke out. The *civiles* are continuing their inquiries with the object of clearing up his purpose in going there.

All the various fires in the district are generally believed to have formed part of a preconceived plan. A number of people who are thought to have been in the plot are being closely watched.

The fire began at 1 a.m. on Sunday, July 21. The investigating officers have established that it was started almost simultaneously at three points a kilometre apart.

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THEY SHOULD HAVE KNOWN

They were wet and bedraggled when the Guardia arrested them, but they should have known better. Terreno may be more tolerant of unusual costumes because the inhabitants are most used to seeing foreigners in informal clothes, but that was no excuse for overstepping the line.

The two young men who were politely but firmly ushered into the austere presence of the Sergeant at the Guardia Civil post next to the Hotel Mediterráneo on Wednesday said they were sorry. The Sergeant said he was too.

The two young men said very little more, but the Sergeant took advantage of the lapse in the conversation to say a great deal more. He tut-tutted a little about the laxity of attention to other people's feelings, about indecent dress, and made a small allusion to recent occurrences. The young men said they were sorry.

But the Sergeant wasn't finished. He informed the young gentlemen that strolling up the Calle 14 de Abril in wet bathing trunks in the middle of the afternoon was one of those things that wasn't done. And if it was done—well, here they were, pinched, as one might say. Did they understand?

The young men understood. They had no defence. It was true that the foreigners had been overstepping the mark in the matter of seemly dress on several occasions recently, but unfortunately that had nothing to do with the case this time.

For the two young gentlemen who were pinched for walking up the Calle 14 de Abril in wet bathing trunks, spoke Castellano and Mallorquin. In fact, they were Spaniards. And, as the Sergeant pointed out, they should have known better.

SEVENTH CENTENARY COMMEMORATION IN NEIGHBOURING ISLAND

IBIZA TO CELEBRATE ITS CONQUEST FROM THE MOORS

While Palma is going gay with its August *ferias y fiestas*, the neighbouring isle of Ibiza is engaged in the serious business of celebrating the seventh centenary of its incorporation in Christendom.

When conquering King James rode into Palma on January 1, 1230, it was merely a matter of time and minor skirmishes before the whole of Mallorca should be his. The Moors, however, still held out in the other islands, and it was not till August, 1235 that the Catalan flag was planted on the walls of the Almudaina, the ancient citadel of Ibiza City.

The Ibizans, and particularly those of the City, are therefore now commemorating the conquest of their island by their ancestors. Or rather reconquest, for Ibiza was Christian before the Moors had it.

The celebrations are to last five days, beginning on Sunday. There are two exhibitions to be inaugurated on Sunday morning, one of painting and the other recalling the vanished glories of Ibizan shipping, and in the afternoon the Ibicenca football team will show its mettle in a match with a visiting side.

The really impressive ceremony of the day is timed for 9 p.m. At that hour a rocket will be fired from the belltower of the Cathedral, answering rockets being sent up from hilltops all over the island. At the same time bonfires will be lighted on the same vantage points.

Monday will be folklore day, with oldtime dances in the Paseo de Vara de Rey in the afternoon, and folksong and band music in the same place in the evening. Music will also begin the day, and so that no one shall have an excuse for missing anything the *pasacalle* by the Municipal Band at 8 a. m. will be preceded by the firing of a number of small cannon called *morteretes*.

The sea is the central figure of Tuesday's programme, an act of homage to the memory of dead seafarers being timed for 11 a.m. In the afternoon there are to be boat races and other water sports, and in the evening a *verbena marítima*, with fireworks on the waterfront and prizes for the best illuminated craft.

Wednesday is sports day. The list of events includes cycling, running and swimming races in

the morning, and athletics, football and a grand parade of all the island's sport clubs in the afternoon. At 10 p.m. there is to be a military tattoo, and, by way of reminder that there is an instrument mightier than the sword, the solemn reading in the Paseo de Vara de Rey of the winning poem in the Ateneo's seventh centenary literary contest.

On Thursday, the last day of the commemoration, a plaque recalling the conquest of the island will be unveiled at the City Hall, and the proceedings will be brought to a triumphant close in the evening with a *verbena*, band concerts and a *traca* of fireworks. After that the citizens will be able to remove the hangings and illuminations from their balconies and store them away until the eighth centenary.

A high dignitary travelling to Ibiza for the commemoration is the Right Reverend Don Antonio Cardona Riera, titular Bishop of the Chersonese, the new Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Ibiza. Bishop Cardona arrived in Palma from Ciudadela on Tuesday, and planned to cross to Ibiza on the Alicante boat on Friday.

His journey was timed to enable him to celebrate a Pontifical High Mass on Monday in Ibiza Cathedral, as a part of the centennial ceremonies. The particular interest of the occasion for churchmen is that it is also the centenary of the foundation of Santa María la Mayor, now the Cathedral, by the conquerors of the island.

Yet another item of Ibizan news concerns the City's remarkable collection of relics of the Roman and Phoenician occupations of the island. Don Carlos Román, Director of the Archeological Museum, has received word from Don Pedro Matutes, Deputy to Cortes, that the estimates for rehousing the Museum have been approved by the proper authorities in Madrid, and building will soon begin.

The estimated cost of the new edifice is 198,825 pesetas, and the time limit for its construction is one year. It is planned in classical style to harmonise with the nature of the objects it contains, all of which will be displayed in rooms vertically lighted.

A striking feature of the new Museum will be the easy access from its halls to the tombs in which the various relics were found.

MISS EUROPE RETURNS

MEETING WITH QUEEN

TALE OF A RING

Miss Europe 1935, known in private life as Señorita Alicia Navarro, is back in Spain from England.

She arrived last Saturday in San Sebastián from Paris, and was welcomed by the Mayor of the North coast resort, who invited her to preside at a charity ball-flight in September. Other invitations have been showered upon her from Madrid, Barcelona, Biarritz and other places, so that if she accepts half of them it will be a long time before she gets home to Santa Cruz de Tenerife.

Señorita Navarro embarked on her career of conquest when her island chose her as Miss Tenerife. The next step was when she became Miss Canarias in competition with the representatives of the other islands of the group.

As such, after a good deal of hesitation, she travelled to Madrid to compete with the other regional beauty queens for the title of Miss Spain. With the title went the trip to England which resulted in her triumphant crowning by Mr. Ralph Lynn in a ceremony at Torquay.

Señorita Navarro accepted the honour of representing Spain in England mainly for the sake of the trip abroad. She had no hope of winning, so she told a reporter on her arrival at Irún from Paris, but is glad she did for the good name of Spain.

The stage is now set in Brussels for the election of Miss Universe, but Miss Europe will not be there. She explained why in the Irún interview.

Brussels is too far off, to begin with, and Señorita Navarro is anxious to be home. Also, no less than ten of the losers from Torquay will be there, and the winner modestly fears that the verdict might be reversed if she tempts Fortune too far.

Miss Spain declared herself delighted with her visit to England, and particularly with the gracious reception accorded her by Queen Mary when she called at Buckingham Palace. She has just one awful memory.

Her engagement ring fell off in a London taxi, and was not found. It looked like an omen of the worst possible kind, but Señorita Navarro is determined to see that nothing comes of it.

Just as soon as she gets back to Tenerife, which will be before the end of the year, she will be wearing another ring. And this time it will be a wedding ring.

For Miss Europe was invulnerable to all the assaults of the blind god during her travels abroad, and all the more or less attractive young men who flocked around her—as near as they dared, for

WORLD'S LARGEST SWIMMING POOL OPENED IN BARCELONA

PLAN TO GIVE MADRID VAST LAKE BY DAMMING STREAM

Barcelona now has the largest swimming pool in the world.

The Catalan capital holds quite a number of size records. It claims the world's largest underground railway station—the combined Metro station and terminus of the Norte electric trains under the Plaza de Cataluña; a steel tower which is the tallest in Spain and the third tallest in the world; the biggest monument to Columbus, on the waterfront near where the mail boat from Palma docks; and the biggest bronze statue to the Sacred Heart, which to give it greater height is placed on the top of Mount Tibidabo, overlooking the City.

And now the swimming pool, which was inaugurated a week ago in what was formerly the polo ground of the Real Polo Jockey Club. It is bigger than those at Wembley, Stuttgart and Los Angeles.

The pool is 100 metres long by 34 wide, a sloping bottom giving it a depth of from one to five metres. When full, it holds 6,000 cubic metres of water, which is changed, filtered and purified by the most modern methods.

A bridge twenty metres long and ten high supports the various diving boards and springboards, making it possible to dive from a height of two, four, seven or ten metres. And with five metres of water to dive into you can go in off the top board without breaking your neck.

The pool is only one of the attractions of the old polo ground, which is being developed into a first class athletic centre. There is a greyhound racing track surrounded by a dirt track, tennis courts, football and basketball pitches, gymnastic and children's sections, and fine club premises with spacious terraces.

Madrid, not to be outdone by the rival City, has a plan for removing once and for all the stigma attaching to the Manzanares, its inadequate little river, which has been the subject of endless jibes since Philip III's time at least. Lack of water has not prevented the inhabitants of the inland capital from becoming keen swimmers, and more than one artificial beach has been made in the places where the Manzanares is deep enough to reach a man's shoulders.

Now it is proposed to dam the Manzanares at the Puente de los Franceses, one of the magnificent bridges whose purpose is not at all apparent unless you happen to be in the capital in floodtime, and

beauty queens are jealously guarded—met with the same complete lack of response. She was engaged to a lucky young man in Tenerife before she left the island, and she has not changed her mind.

thereby produce an artificial lake three kilometres long and one kilometre wide. The lake would tend to another famous bridge, Puente de San Fernando, whose notable botanical collection would have to be transferred to another place.

The author of the plan is Colonel Don Máximo Vergara, President of the Centro del Ejército de la Armada. That organisation has among other tasks that of developing physical culture and sport in the army, but so far water sports are concerned its efforts in Madrid have been hampered by the lack of a suitable panse of water.

The artificial lakes of the Plaza de Campo and the Buen Retiro Park, according to Colonel Vergara, are not hygienic enough for swimming and not big enough either for sailing or for motor boating. With characteristic military directness, the Colonel declares that since Madrid has the kind of lake it needs, it must make one.

Colonel Vergara has succeeded in interesting Señor Salazar so, the energetic Mayor of Madrid. He calculates that the construction of the lake would cost the not more than 15,000,000 pesetas and that this sum would be recoverable.

He proposes to make a beach a kilometre and a half available to bathers at a very low price, near the Puente de los Franceses. The main dam, seven metres high, would be just above the bridge.

His plans also include sports grounds and amusement centres along the banks, which would be planted with fast-growing trees and thus serve to beautify the neighbourhood. There would be no money to be made from the lake, of sand caught by the upper dam above the Puente de San Fernando.

Colonel Vergara laughs at the idea that there is not enough water in the Manzanares to carry out his scheme. He points out that since the Santillana dam was built above the City the current is slower, but the volume of water passing is more regular.

Now, in the height of summer there is a constant flow of 800 cubic metres a day. Calculating the contents of the lake, 3,000,000 cubic metres, that quantity would be sufficient to fill them completely twice a year—more often in the rainy season.

An important factor in the scheme, according to Colonel Vergara, is that all the ground affected is the property of the Corporation. This fact would make the project much more easy to realise, as there would be no question of expropriating private land.

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SHIPS THAT CALLED AT PALMA CADIZ NAVY WEEK ARTABRO

The division of the Spanish fleet comprising the cruisers Miguel de Cervantes, Libertad, Almirante Vera and Méndez Nuñez and commanded by Admiral Mier arrived in Cartagena last Saturday from Palma.

The squadron was missed in Palma where the ships had almost come part of the scenery in the bay and their crews had been accepted as an integral part of the population. Their visit to Cartagena will be a shorter one, as they must leave in a day or so for the Cadiz.

Palma is to have a Navy Week, the first in its history, lasting from August 11 to 18. Visits to the ships, evolutions and sham combats in Cádiz Bay and the neighbouring waters, which have seen many feats of arms famous in the history, will demonstrate the capabilities of Spain's modern fleet both to the Gaditanos and to the thousands of visitors from inland in town for the festival of the Assumption, August 15, or simply cooling themselves on the City's various beaches. The fine new cruisers of the Libertad class will doubtless prove to be the chief attractions of the week.

The Artabro, another recent visitor to Palma, was officially handed over to the organisers of the expedition, for which she was built, at the Unión Naval de Valencia's shipyard at Valencia last Saturday. The white motor vessel is to serve as a floating laboratory in a two years' scientific exploration of the vast South American river has now completed its tests, one of which was the visit to Palma.

Captain Iglesias, the leader of the expedition, and Doctor Marañón, one of the most famous scientists among its members, made broadcast speeches at the handover ceremony, while the Mayor of Valencia expressed his pride in the exploring ship had been built in the Valencian yards. The Artabro then put to sea for a short trip so that the authorities and other personages present might observe her technical perfections.

Everything goes well, the Artabro will be able to cross the Atlantic on October 12, Columbus Day. Before that date another important piece of scientific work will have been done in the Strait of Gibraltar. The Commission studying the possibility of a tunnel under the Strait, linking Spain and Africa to be reached by rail, met in Madrid during the week. At the meeting the preliminary work for the thorough examination of the sea bottom which will begin on September 15 and continue until October 31.

BRIBERY CASE EX-KING OF SPAIN ACQUITTED

Don Alfonso de Borbón, the former King of Spain, has been acquitted of bribery and corruption.

That is the effect of the decision, taken by the Vacation Court of the Supreme Court in Madrid on Monday, to quash provisionally the case arising out of the concession of the Ontaneda-Calatayud railway. The effect is the same for the eight other accused.

The Responsibilities Commission, set up by the Constituent Cortes of the Republic to investigate the acts of the dictatorial Governments of the last years of King Alfonso's reign, created a subcommittee to investigate the concession, which was made to the Santander-Mediterráneo railway company. The subcommittee started its proceedings on October 6, 1931.

On August 9, 1932 it ordered proceedings to be taken against Don Alfonso of Bourbon and Habsburg-Lorraine, Don Fernando María of Bavaria, Don Guillermo W. Solms y Solms, Don Rafael Benjumea, Don Antonio Faquineto, Don Gabriel Pastor, Don Pedro García Fara, Don Rodolfo Gelabert and Don Luis Justo, for bribery and corruption and other irregular practices.

Señores Faquineto, García Fara, Gelabert and Justo could not be prosecuted, as they had died before the order was made. Señor Pastor was arrested and afterwards released on bail of 50,000 pesetas, while the rest of the accused, including Don Alfonso, were tried *in absentia*, having left the country.

There followed a long and complicated investigation by the examining magistrate in charge of the case, and afterwards by the special judge appointed by the Supreme Court, to which all proceedings started by the Responsibilities Commission were handed over by a law passed on May 10, 1934. Finally the judge reported to the Court, which based its verdict on his findings.

The Court's judgment states, first of all, that all inquiries necessary or desirable for establishing the facts and the responsibility for them have been made. These inquiries have not resulted in proof of the offences with which the defendants were charged, or of any other offence defined as such by the penal laws of Spain.

Consequently the Court declares null and void the accusations against Don Alfonso de Borbón, Don Fernando María de Bavaria, Don Guillermo W. Solms, Don Rafael Benjumea and Don Gabriel Pastor, and raises all restrictions laid on the liberty of their persons and on their possessions. Señor Pastor is released from his bail and the costs ordered to be borne by the state.

DON QUIXOTE'S WINDMILLS ONLY THREE REMAIN

KNIGHT BEATEN

Don Quixote tilted at the windmills, and got nothing better than a broken head for his pains.

What that lovable lunatic was unable to accomplish, Time has done. Time, and the rise of a mechanical civilisation whose achievements turn the most ingenious devices of past ages into so much old junk.

Mallorca is not the only part of Spain where the crumbling towers of disused mills dot the skyline. The same is true of the Ingenious Esquire's own country, La Mancha.

Three windmills, white round towers with conical caps each bearing its four broad sails, stand in a row on a ridge at Campo de Criptana, near Alcazar de San Juan. The ridge is humourously called «la sierra» by the people of the wide Manchegan plain, over which the Knight of the Sorrowful Countenance rode forth to right wrongs and succour distressed damsels.

Three mills are all that remain of the long row of fearful giants, which by art of magic inconsiderately changed themselves into windmills when the lean knight charged them. On either side of the three stand in sorrowful line the remains of the rest, some with broken sails, some with none, others roofless and threatening collapse, with wide cracks in their circular walls.

The three white mills beside the white village of Criptana are doomed because they do not pay. Their walls and beams are as sound as ever, the ingenious wooden gears that transmit the power from the sails to the moving stone and the apparatus for turning the cone to catch the wind still work perfectly.

As much as ever is grown on the plain of La Mancha, but it does not go to the old windmills. It goes to the modern steam or electric *fábricas de harina*, which can grind it cheaply and quickly, with no waiting for a wind.

So the old millers can barely make a living, and there is no inducement for their sons to stay at home and carry on the old firm. They have gone off in search of more remunerative work, and the mills will last as long as their owners.

What will happen when they die is a matter for conjecture. It may be that someone will find subterranean water and use one of them for pumping it, in Mallorquin style. Or the old towers may be converted or incorporated into dwellings, has been done more than once in Mallorca.

It is more likely, however, that there will be just three more slowly crumbling ruins on the ridge.

HENRY VIII HIS SPANISH QUEEN

There is a little village in Upper Aragon where they celebrate Saint Catherine's Day on much the same lines as November 5 is celebrated in England.

Besides plenty of fireworks, especially the Catherine-wheels that take their name from the Saint, the festivities include the burning of a guy. The name of the effigy so treated is not Guy Fawkes, but Ana Bolena.

Beneath its Spanish disguise the perspicacious will recognise the name of Anne Boleyn, the second wife of King Henry VIII. The villagers, it seems, have not yet forgiven her for supplanting Queen Catherine of Aragon in the affections of the English Bluebeard.

The old story of Bluff King Hal's matrimonial affairs is in the news again this year in connection with the canonisation of Saint John Fisher and Saint Thomas More, the Bishop and Chancellor who were beheaded for refusing to swear allegiance to Henry as head of the Church in England, when that monarch's disappointment over his divorce proceedings had resulted in the official birth of Anglicanism.

Hence the latest volume published by the Ediciones Fax of Madrid in their historical series. It is called «El Divorcio de Catalina de Aragón, San Juan Fisher y Santa Tomás Moro.» and the author is Don Félix de Llanos y Torriglia.

The book consists of the text of two lectures delivered by Señor de Llanos, amplified with notes and appendices referring to the original documents from which he drew his facts. The story is of course inextricably bound up with the religious disputes which shook Europe in Henry's time, and in which England and Spain were the leading forces on either side.

Essentially, however, Señor de Llanos is concerned to present a complete portrait of the unfortunate princess, whom he follows with chronological exactitude from the cradle to the grave. He is also at pains to reconstruct the lives and characters of the two Saints whose names form the subtitle of his work.

Many other notable figures necessarily make incidental appearances in the narrative, such as Juan Luis Vives, the famous Spanish humanist who was one of the guiding stars of the Renaissance. They are handled with a restrained vigour which presents their essential traits in a few lines.

Señor de Llanos' contribution to the history of a period of capital interest both for British and for Spanish readers has been well reviewed in the Madrid press. Here is a specimen judgment, from the pen of the book critic of *Ya*: «Within the limits of its brevity, the work of Llanos y Torriglia is a clean-out narrative in which the period picture faithfully presents the complicated dance of events in that period of harsh struggle.»

PRIVATE FLYING IN SPAIN PALMA'S THREE 'PLANES A SURVEY

The three light aeroplanes duly licensed and registered in Palma place the Balearics fifth among Spanish provinces in that respect.

Spain has altogether 106 registered civil light aeroplanes. They all belong to private owners or aero clubs, commercial and military machines being in a different category.

The much be-aerodromed province of Madrid naturally comes first on the list with 46 light 'planes, being the headquarters of the Aero Club de España, the Liga de Pilotos Civiles and the Federación Aeronáutica del Centro, the latter a branch of the Federación Aeronáutica Española, which controls private flying in Spain. Barcelona, equally naturally, is next with 22 planes, and Seville third with 16.

Ahead of Palma come Málaga, for some reason, with five machines, and Valencia, with four. Bilbao, the capital of the important industrial and mining province of Biscay, boasts the same number as Palma, while neighbouring Vitoria has two and Cádiz, Valladolid, Córdoba, Llanes and Burgos one each.

The only exceptions to the rule of private ownership are Madrid's two or three taxi 'planes, which are available to the public at the low rate of two pesetas a kilometre. They are four-seaters, so that if your party is large enough to fill one the cost is no greater than if you had each taken a ground taxi at fifty céntimos.

The gliding centre of Spain is the Aero Club de Zaragoza, which makes its headquarters at Huesca, high up in the foothills of the Pyrenees. It thus avoids a great deal of the expense which is the chief stumbling-block to the further development of private flying in Spain.

IDENTIFIED

The Italian passenger aeroplane which was found floating empty off the North coast of Menorca last week has now been identified.

A representative of the Ala Littoria air mail company, who arrived in Mahón on Monday to examine the wreck and salvage such parts as are usable was able to state definitely that no lives had been lost in the crash.

The machine, a three-engined Savoia flying boat operating on the Barcelona-Marseilles line, left Barcelona with eight passengers on board on the morning of July 9. Engine trouble compelled the pilot to bring her down on the sea off Cape San Sebastian.

The passengers and crew were picked up by the French steamer Alcántara, bound from Port Vendres to Oran. They were landed uninjured at the latter port.

LATEST WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

PARIS, Saturday

The Geneva-Paris express narrowly escaped a catastrophe when its locomotive blew up early yesterday morning near Tenay, in the department of the Aisne.

The mangled bodies of the driver and fireman were discovered at a distance of 300 feet, the boiler of the locomotive being hurled 600 feet away. Nevertheless the frame of the engine and all the coaches miraculously stayed on the rails, so that none of the passengers suffered injury.

The passengers in fact became aware of the accident only when, after the train had stopped suddenly on the open track, they got out of the coaches to see what had happened. Since a heavy thunderstorm was raging at the time, the explosion of the boiler had been taken for a clap of thunder.

LONDON, Saturday

The House of Commons adjourned yesterday until October 27, after authorising the Government and the Speaker to convene the House at an earlier date if the necessity should arise in the public interest.

It is authoritatively stated that the July unemployment figures, which will be issued in detail next week, will be below 2,000,000. This indicates that the total has been reduced to a level not reached for the last five years.

The two million mark was passed in July, 1930, and the peak total of 2,903,065 was reached in January, 1933. Since that date, with occasional setbacks, the total has decreased steadily. The im-

provement in the employment situation has been accompanied by many other indications of progress made in Britain towards trade recovery.

THE HAGUE, Saturday

Mynheer Colijn, the Dutch Premier, declared last night in a broadcast speech that his new Government will do its utmost to defend the gold guilder, but that its fate is dependent on the people's maintaining tranquility and discipline.

Thanking the nation for saving the currency, Mynheer Colijn said that the Government's economic policy would be aimed at promoting agricultural, commercial and industrial interests, and that a serious inquiry would be made into the practicability of measures for large scale public works and industrialisation.

AMSTERDAM, Saturday

Fresh disorders fomented by Communists occurred here last night in the western and Jewish districts of the City.

The police were compelled to intervene repeatedly in order to disperse the Communist crowds, which were chiefly bent on paralyzing traffic by piling obstacles on the tram lines. The fire brigade was also called out to take down the numerous streamers bearing Communist slogans which had been stretched across the streets at a great height.

ALEXANDRIA, Saturday

The organisation in all Oriental countries of assistance for Ethiopia in her fight for independence

was demanded at a protest meeting against Italy held here yesterday by the Young Men's Islamic Association. The Committee of the Association has addressed an appeal to the League of Nations and to all the powers, asserting that Italy is pursuing an imperialistic policy.

Saleh Sami Bey, former War Minister, and Sheik Taftasani, one of the most prominent Moslem religious leaders in Egypt, were among the large number of leading personalities who attended the meeting.

In circles in close touch with Ethiopia it is declared that the number of applications by Egyptian ex-officers to serve in the Ethiopian army is increasing daily.

CAIRO, Saturday

The public prosecutor has started proceedings on the charge of

PRINCE MDIVANI

Prince Alexis Mdivani died almost instantly of the injuries he received when the car in which he was driving with Frau Maud von This left the road and turned turtle near Torrella de Montgri, Gerona, late Thursday evening.

Frau von This, who is German and 28 years old, was taken to hospital in Gerona suffering from a fracture of the skull and other serious injuries.

The Catalan painter Señor Sert, who is a relative by marriage of the Prince, arrived in Barcelona by air from Genoa yesterday and left immediately by car for Gerona. A telegram has been sent to the injured woman's husband.

Prince Alexis was the divorced Georgian husband of Barbara Hutton, the Woolworth heiress. One of his brothers was the second husband of the screen star Pola Negri.

libelling the head of a foreign state against Maurice Fargon, an Egyptian Jew who recently published a pamphlet entitled «Adolf Hitler». The date of the trial has been fixed for August 21.

WASHINGTON, Saturday

President Roosevelt has issued a further public statement voicing the hope of the people and Government of the United States that an amicable solution will be found in the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, and that peace will be maintained.

The statement is regarded as another plain intimation that the United States Government will give the fullest moral support to

those nations that are engaged in efforts to secure a peaceful solution.

NEW YORK, Saturday

The heat wave is reported to have caused 125 deaths in the United States, while in New York City the semi-tropical humidity is almost unbearable.

A cyclonic storm with gusts as big as eggs swept East Long Island yesterday, and caused extensive damage to fruit crops.

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GOING GAY

July and August are the season
 of fiestas and fiestas, and this
 year it is Palma's turn.

Palma, if we remember cor-
 rectly, opened the ball with its
 famous fair of San Fermin. Va-
 lencia's week of jollification is
 ending now, and the number
 of Spanish cities, towns and vil-
 lages which have held, are hold-
 ing, or are about to hold their of-
 ficial rejoicings is probably at le-
 ast as great as the number of mu-
 nicipalities in the country.

The fiesta programmes natural-
 vary in accordance with local
 custom, and particularly in rela-
 tion to the degree of wealth of the
 locality. The essentials, however,
 are the same everywhere, just as
 the purpose is the same.

The local bullring, where there
 is one, tries to put on a better
 show than usual. So does the local
 football team, the dog track, and
 every other provider of open-air
 diversion. There is always a great
 display of balcony hangings and
 coloured lights, plenty of music,
 plenty of fireworks and plenty of
 dancing.

The purpose of all this, whether
 it is consciously realised or not, is
 to make a break in the long sum-
 mer lethargy which inevitably
 creeps over those who cannot drop
 their work at the beginning of the
 weather and aestivate on some
 northern beach or hill station till
 it is over. And mighty few people
 do these days.

It would be possible, of course,
 to find other reasons in the calen-
 dar, and any anthropologist worth
 his salt could doubtless provide
 a custom with an origin older
 than Christianity. All that need
 worry us here in Palma, any-
 more than it concerns the organ-
 izers of the festivities,

is sufficient for us to thank
 whatever gods there be in whose
 honour the City has put on its
 Sunday face, and join the citizens
 in forgetting for a while that the
 world holds such nuisances as
 heat, mosquitos, taxes, passport
 regulations, politics, shrunken in-
 comes and bores.

Out Of My Head
 by HARRY GALLAND

One of the most amusing things
 in the world is a foreigner strug-
 gling to explain himself in a
 strange language—amusing, that
 is, to the native.

Nothing is so infuriating as to
 know perfectly well what you
 want to say and be unable to say
 it, save one thing. And that is to
 have something said to you which
 you cannot understand, but feel
 is important enough to warrant
 the effort to get the hang of the
 other person's idea.

There was, for instance, an En-
 glish resident whose husband
 speaks Spanish, but at the time of
 which we speak was not conver-
 sant—sorry, Reginald, it was un-
 intentional—with the language her-
 self. One day her doorbell rang
 and she opened the door to find
 an official-looking man standing
 there.

He let loose a flood of Spanish
 which shook her to the foundat-
 ions, but she managed to get out
 the information that she did not
 understand. The official-looking
 gent shook his head and tried
 again, but without success.

Then he decided to try panto-
 mime. He stumped about the court-
 yard of the house with his head
 bent and one finger to his left eye.
 It made no impression on the
 Englishwoman, so the official ap-
 pealed to the Spanish woman liv-
 ing above to come down and help
 him tell the Señora what it was
 all about.

Again was the heroine of the
 story inundated with sibilant Span-
 ish, and again she failed to un-
 derstand. Once more the trek about
 the patio was solemnly performed,
 one finger to the left eye, the head
 bent low. And the woman from
 above joined the one man proce-
 sion. In the end there were
 three neighbors stamping about
 with one finger to the left eye,
 and the poor foreigner gave up the
 problem in bewilderment.

Not until her husband came home
 did she learn what the strange
 performance was all about. The
 official-looking Spaniard, it turned
 out, was merely trying to ex-
 plain who he was by his work. He
 was the *vigilante* come for his
 weekly tip for watching the house
 at night.

It was the same lady who tried
 to learn the name of a fish she was
 buying in the market, only to be
 told that it was *bonito*. She agreed
 readily that the fish was handsom-
 e, but what was its name? Again
 she was told it was *bonito*, and fi-
 nally she gave up her efforts. She
 asked her husband in the evening
 the name of the fish and received
 the same reply. It is reported that
 she was duly sorry for the slap
 she gave him when she found out
 that *bonito* not only means hand-
 some or fine, but is also the name
 of a fish. Life is easier now, for she
 speaks Spanish and makes mot-
 ions like a native.

TURNING THE PAGES
 by Bibliófilo

Mr. Roland L. Hayes, guest re-
 viewer for this week, is the author
 of «Lost Shepherd» and several
 other novels, and has reviewed
 books for «The New Statesman
 and Nation» and other British
 publications. He is also an expe-
 rienced *aficionado* and critic of
 bullfighting. — Ed.

BELMONTE THE MATADOR, by
 Herman Baerlein. *William Heine-
 mann, London, 10/6.*

The story of Juan Belmonte's
 early life is that of any Sevillian
 guttersnipe who aspires to win
 fame and money in the bullring.
 It has all been told a dozen times
 —the poverty, the small boy look-
 ed upon as a ne'er-do-well, the
 attraction of the forbidden sub-
 ject, the glamour of the *toreros*
 swaggering in the *Calle de las*
Sierpes, the practising with a
 chair, a dog, or a friend taking
 the part of the bull, the midnight
 expeditions across the Guadalquivir
 to play the fighting bulls with

his. «He has heart enough to
 spare.»

With Joselito dead Belmonte
 was now the undisputed king of
 the bull-fighters. But he was a
 rich man, with a large property
 in the South, he was married, and
 he had come to the conclusion
 that happiness was to be found
 at home. At the end of 1922 he
 retired. They called him «the mar-
 ried hermit.» When they asked
 him if he would ever fight again
 he replied, «Very likely I shall
 want to go back to the ring. And
 if I could fight as the people say
 I used to, then maybe I would re-
 turn. *But I fear those memories.*»

Nevertheless he did return, in
 1924, but he was gored and only
 fought three times in Spain. That
 winter he fought eight times in
 Peru, triumphantly, and then he
 retired again. Recently, as all the
 world knows, he has attempted a
 second come-back, and he is still
 a great bull-fighter. But to see him
 now is, as one Madrid critic wrote,
 «to visit the ruins of Belmon-



one's shirt as a cape, the despair
 of parents, the encouragement of
 friends, at last the *capea* in some
 outlying village—and the first gor-
 ing, where, for the majority, the
 story ends.

As I say, it has been told a do-
 zen times, and never better than
 by Blasco Ibáñez in his novel
Blood and Sand. But Ibáñez' hero
 is killed in the ring, whereas Bel-
 monte, Blessed Juan the Domina-
 tor, Saint Juan of Triana, Saint
 Juan of the Revelation, has es-
 caped death despite a hundred
 gorings; it was his friend and
 great rival, Joselito, who was kil-
 led by a bull called *Bailador* on
 May 16th, 1920 in Talavera de la
 Reina—carried out to die in the
 infirmary while the fight went on
 and the crowd roared: the roar,
 as Ibáñez says, of the True Beast.

When Belmonte heard the news
 he shut himself up in his home
 for twenty-four hours and would
 see nobody; but on May 18th he
 appeared in the Madrid ring ag-
 ainst the formidable bulls of Al-
 barrán, and that *corrida* is still
 discussed to-day, because Belmon-
 te's valour and his art had never
 been more wonderful.

He was given the ears and the
 tail of the fifth bull, which means
 something in Madrid, and as he
 ran round the ring to acknowl-
 edge the frenzied applause of the
 crowd it was seen that tears were
 streaming down his face. They
 were for Joselito. «Friend Gillis»,
 said Clarito the critic, «I can write
 no more. I believe his heart is
 breaking.» «Let him be,» said Gil-

lis. Ruins are beautiful and in-
 teresting things, but they are sad.

Mr. Baerlein's book is a sketchy
 and formless collection of anecdote,
 reminiscence, quotation, and
 imaginary conversation. There are
 some excellent stories in it, and
 one feels that he has a great
 knowledge of bull-fighting and a
 genuine love of Spain. He is prob-
 ably a greater *aficionado* with
 a deeper and more sensitive un-
 derstanding of taumachic art
 than Hemingway, but as a writer
 he cannot be compared to him.

Death in the Afternoon, despite
 one or two tiresome digressions
 about sodomy, despite Heming-
 way's anxiety to prove himself a
 he-man, is a work of art. *Belmon-
 te the Matador* lacks that special
 significance. When Mr. Baerlein
 describes a *veronica* one gets no
 clear impression of what hap-
 pens; when Hemingway describes
 the same pass one not only knows
 exactly what happens but also
 exactly what it looks like, and
 feels like, from a ringside seat.

However, «The Spaniard,» says
 Mr. Baerlein, «is a philoso-
 pher who travels as willingly in
 a Hispano-Suiza as on a donkey,
 because he thinks of the unvary-
 ing realities of life, those which
 alone are of supreme importance
 —love, the sun, the night and pain
 and death.»

The man who wrote that knows
 Spain. But the great book in En-
 glish about bull-fighting has still
 to be written.

**BY HOOK OR
 BY CROOK**

Your humble servant has at last
 achieved an indignity to which
 even his humility had not previ-
 ously descended—that of being
 ejected from a place of public res-
 ort for being improperly dressed.

In one of the streets leading off
 the Calle Colón, as you go towards
 the Plaza Mayor, there is a public
 library. It is not a municipal or
 provincial affair. It belongs to a
 beneficent and multifarious ins-
 titution whose objects include the
 providing of old-age pensions and
 the protection of working women,
 but they let anyone use it, provid-
 ed, of course, that he observes
 the rules.

It is a well run and well stocked
 library, comfortably furnished,
 sensibly lighted, altogether a plea-
 sant place to work in. It is par-
 ticularly strong on matters of local
 history, thereby providing an in-
 valuable mine of information for
 the writing man who wishes to
 make a display of cheap erudition.

And now it is closed to me for
 ever—at least, as long as the warm
 weather lasts. And when my low-
 brow readers have finished heav-
 ing deep sighs of relief, I will ex-
 plain why.

I looked in there the other day
 for the first time in many weeks,
 and began to hunt up a precious
 fact which is now ever lost to the
 readers of this column. I was not
 thinking particularly of my ap-
 pearance, nor was there any rea-
 son why I should.

My northern hemisphere was
 concealed by the white shirt of a
 blameless life, the same colour
 scheme being continued in the
 trouserings, and also in the foot-
 wear. Dressy is the word I should
 have applied to the ensemble, had
 my opinion been sought.

It was not. Nor was it shared.
 The young lady at the desk, in-
 stead of running an approving
 glance over the manly figure be-
 fore her, approached and inform-
 ed me in a low voice that this
 would not do.

She was very polite about it.
 Quite apologetic, in fact. But she
 made it clear that none might
 browse among those sacred shel-
 ves who had not on a wedding
 garment—namely and to wit, a
 coat. She also pointed out that
 there was a notice in the vestibule
 to that effect.

As a matter of fact, I could have
 joined issue on that point. What
 the notice actually said was that
 you weren't allowed in in shirt-
 sleeves.

I reflected, however, that a cou-
 ple of inches might be construed
 as coming within the meaning of
 the act, and the native chivalry
 of the *Gancho* set the seal on
 my decision. I left, never to return
 until the coat-wearing season be-
 gins again.

I left that library wondering
 just what obscure connection its
 guardians can see between books
 and jackets. I am still wondering.

El Gancho

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ON THE ISLAND

-- By The Wayfarer --

(Continued from page 1)

MOONLIGHT:—

Swimming by moonlight is the fashion of the moment, according to the reports of enthusiasts at present. If one of the nearby playas can't be reached easily by car, then Calamayor or Los Pinos or a pool will do. The Chalfont House pool was the scene of a small, wet, but nevertheless sober party on Thursday night. Mr. Bernard Townsend, Miss Peggy Lippe and Miss Nita Dreiberg took the plunge, while Mr. Roland Hayes watched, aloof and dry, from afar.

BOAT HOUSE:—

The well known Boat House Bar in Cala Ratjada has been closed, but reopened on Saturday under the management of Mr. F. R. Wolf and Mr. H. Creutzer. The Boat House, as every Cala visitor knows, is the very nautical affair with a storm lamp outside and a built-in boat as the bar inside. Seafaring men have been known to shudder at the blue paint on the bottom of the boat, but that is mere superstition and has not in the least affected the Bar's popularity.

THE ARMY:—

Palma will soon welcome the new Commander-in-Chief of the Balearic garrisons, who was appointed by a decree inserted in Friday's gazette to succeed General Goded. The new Commander is General of Division Don Carlos Masquelet Lacaci.

General Masquelet was Minister of War in the stopgap Cabinet, formed by Don Alejandro Lerroux, which preceded the present Government of Spain. Before his tenure of the War Office he was Chief of the General Staff of the Spanish army.

Pending the appointment of the new Military Commander of the Balearics, the troops in the archipelago have been under the temporary command of General of Brigade Fernández Burriel, whose permanent post is Commander of the Menorca garrisons.

INFLUX:—

There was much activity on the Muelle on Friday, when a heavy influx of visitors landed, to gladden the hearts of hotel-keepers and estate agents. In all 117 people debarked, 114 from the Yoma and three from the Exeter.

FILM:—

Those cameramen you will see during the week busily shooting scenes of Mallorquin life and Mallorca's beauty spots are making a film for an American company. They arrived on Saturday from Barcelona and began work during the day. The film, they say, is an ambitious one, and since scenes are to be shot of the Feria and all over the Island, don't be surprised if you see yourself on the

screen one of these days, an unpaid and possibly unwitting extra.

COCKTAILS:—

Mrs. Pamela de Prizer managed to crowd a sizeable number of guests into her «Casita Pamela» on Wednesday for cocktails. Among those who found space to lift an elbow were M. Robert Thublier, the Marquis de Formiguera, Mr. and Mrs. G. Frank Croissant, Miss Valerie Gorska and Miss Edith Lawrence.

AUDIENCE:—

When he was well launched on one of his pet stories and had

a former owner, who looked with a loving eye upon her slick lines and then hurried away to bring his friends down to have a look too. The present owners brought up the log, and there was loud laughter over some of the entries, made in the days when the ex-skipper was a bachelor. We were so interested in the goings-on that we clean forgot to get the names of the visitors, who expect to cruise around the Islands. They made the passage from Barcelona in 22 hours.

LEFT:—

Mrs. Crockwell and her grand-



Ready for the Fiesta

closed his eyes in his usual manner in order to concentrate better on the climax, a dastardly trick was played on «Kimberley Mac» McCormick in Lena's the other night. His audience seized the moment of close concentration to steal softly away, and when the raconteur opened his eyes again, there was nobody left to appreciate the point. Mac didn't care, though. He started at once on another story. With his eyes open, this time.

SHIRTS:—

Mrs. Ann Bowman-Burns left during the week for St. Jean de Luz in the Basque country. She will be away about ten days, and will probably know so much about pelota when she comes back that the local betting boys at the Fronton will need safety-pins to keep their shirts on.

PUP:—

The Sea-Pup, flying the French flag, arrived in port and took a berth at the end of the Muelle on Wednesday. No sooner had she tied up than she was spotted by

mother left Friday on the German liner for England. Mrs. Caroline Storm, the artist, also left Palma, but only to go to Pollensa, where she will spend a month. She chose Pollensa in order to be near her friend, Mrs. Sybil Corbett Lloyd, who has a large house at Cala San Vicente.

QUOTE:—

Yet another shot in the current controversy over Mallorca was fired by the Marquess of Donegal in the «Sunday Dispatch» of last week. Here is what His Lordship said:

«The popular place for holidays this year appears to be Spain and especially Majorca. The fate of Capt. Kane and the attendant criticism of a noble colleague do not appear to have counterbalanced the lure of the cheap peseta. As to the plots of land which are being given away by an enterprising gentleman now visiting London, all I can say is that these plots do exist, they are near Palma and are not, as in a case of a similar scheme in Florida, at the bottom of a lake. The legal

expenses connected with accepting a plot amount to 6½ guineas, and my neighbour in Majorca is young Douglas Fairbanks. That's all I know about it, and I am not in the habit of looking gift horses in the mouth.»

And now will the «noble colleague» be good?

SERVED:—

M. Ernest Gay, proprietor and drinks-dispenser of the Piccadilly Bar, has been served rather than serving these last few nights. One of his young lady customers has decided that the best way to learn about drinks is by way of practical experience behind the bar, and she has temporarily ousted M. Gay from his accustomed place. M. Gay, the new barmaid, and the numerous clients to be seen perched at the bar every night sampling the excellent beer, seem to like the arrangement.

BACK:—

H. E. Don Juan Manent, the Civil Governor, is back in Palma from Mahón, where he spent a week with his family. He arrived last Sunday.

GOING:—

Doctor A. Heller, Professor of the Argentine National University at Buenos Aires, is preparing to leave the Island and return to Buenos Aires. His son, Don Bernardo, will travel with him.

The Professor's visit has been a long one, long enough for him to become known, not only to his neighbours in Génova, but also to the readers of *El Día*, in which articles from his learned pen, generally dealing with the present economic and political situation in the Argentine, have appeared from time to time.

SCHOOL:—

Young Mr. Butler Brayne Thornton Franklin, nine-year-old son of American Consul Lynn W. Franklin and Mrs. Franklin, arrived in Palma on Thursday morning from Barcelona. He was met at the quay by Mr. L. Ray Ogden, director of the Ecole Internationale. Butler is joining the school's summer camp at Km. 14 on the Andraitx road. The camp opened this week.

Robert Bailey, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Bailey of Bordeaux, also arrived on the Island this week to attend the International School's summer camp. Mr. Bailey is the director of the large oil refineries at Bordeaux. Robert was accompanied to Palma by his mother, who during her short stay on the Island was at the Grand Hotel.

VACATION:—

M. and Mme. Stronenko, owners of the English-American Cake Shop, are going to close their shop on August 11 and take the

trail to Puerto Pollensa and home there. The vacation will until September 22, when the shop will be reopened and the party tea and ice-cream consumers and cake-eaters will again be able to regale themselves in the style which they have become accustomed.

CHEMIST:—

Doctor Manelski, the famous chemist from Valencia, is staying at Calamayor. Also sampling the sea breezes there is Mr. Charles Harvey, the English writer.

BET:—

That he could make the distance from Inca to Palma in less than twenty minutes was the bet that Sr. Marroig made last Sunday after the bullfight. He won the bet and a dinner by doing in seventeen minutes, and nobody was killed or even injured in the process. The car (unpaid advance) was an Adler.

MELON:—

The main dish of the dinner given by Mr. Havelock-Clark on his yacht to Mrs. Storm during the week was melon. There were, of course, other things to eat, and they were eaten by Mrs. Storm, Miss Nellie King-Walsh and Major Grant-Smith, as well as by the host and guest of honour.

ACCIDENT:—

An automobile accident which almost spoiled his good looks, didn't—gave Don Fernando Comellas, son of the director of Hotel Camp de Mar, a bad week. The accident happened on the Andraitx road, and happily was not serious.

NEXT:—

With this week's notes out of the typewriter and into the limelight, we are sallying forth to sample the delights of next week's fiestas and fiestas. The Borne looks very festive with its suddenly sprouted greenery and handsome arch, and there will be gaily seeing you there!

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August 16, S. S. PEGU. August 30, S. S. CHINDWIN.

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August 4, S. S. BHAMO. August 16, S. S. AMARAPOORA.
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Genoa-Naples-Port Said arrives and leaves Palma:
August 17, S. S. SCHARNHORST.

Lisbon-Southampton-Hamburg arrives and leaves Palma:
August 4, S. S. TANGANJKA.

Marseilles-Naples-Alexandria arrives and leaves Palma:
August 16, S. S. EXCAMBION. August 30, S. S. EXO-CHORDA.

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August 9, S. S. EXCALIBUR. August 23, S. S. EXETER.

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Amber	Aug. 7	Boulogne	N. Y.	Aug. 15	Ham. America

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The total damage caused by the fires is estimated at 30,000 pesetas in the Civil Guards' report. Some 36,000 pine trees were destroyed.

Don Miguel Caldentey, a former mayor of the district, is the chief victim. Twenty-eight hectares of his Ca'n Cordacho property were burned, with 30,000 pines, the value of which exceeds 25,000 pesetas.

Another twenty-eight hectares of woods with 3,000 pines went up in flames at Son Fava, the property of Don Sebastián Sancho, while another 3,000 pines and a quantity of saplings and undergrowth were burned at S'Heretat, which belongs to Don José Quint Zaforteza. The damage is calculated to be 2,500 pesetas in each case.

Five kilometres of blackened waste are now all that remains of what were magnificent woods a fortnight ago. Pines, holmoaks and scrub alike are reduced to ashes.

Danger to life, as well as even more serious damage, was averted by the prompt action of the Civil Guards who were called to the scene from Artá and of civilian volunteer firefighters. Fanned by a strong breeze, the flames advanced to within three kilometres of Capdepera itself before they were finally checked.

Three farms standing together in a group—S'Heretat, Ca'n Cordacho and Son Já—were at one time threatened with complete destruction. Another isolated farm, Son Gavilla, was saved after the flames had come within ten metres of the farmhouse.

BULLFIGHT

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A large crowd watched the operation, and burst into loud applause as each animal appeared. The enthusiasm was justified by the looks of the beasts.

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JUAN BELMONTE

Juan Belmonte, the man who revolutionised bullfighting, left Seville for Madrid on Thursday to undergo an operation for the injury he received in the corrida held in Palma on July 7.

The doctors who attended him in Seville confirmed the fracture of his right collarbone, which was revealed by the second X-ray examination made in Palma. He will not be able to keep any of his bullfighting engagements during the month of August.

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FIESTA WEEK IN PALMA

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Sunday, August 4.—9.50 a.m. Release of homing pigeons in the Paseo de Sagrera.

10 a.m. Inauguration of Photographic Exhibition at the Lonja.
 11 a.m. Swimming race across the harbour.

4 p.m. Bullfight at the Coliseo Balear, followed by parade in the Borne.

10 p.m. Firework display in the Avenida de Estanislao Figueras, by the Catalan expert Señor Espinos of Reus.

Monday, August 5.—6 p.m. Laying of foundation stone of workmen's cottages. Concert by Municipal and Provincial Bands in the Plaza de Santa Catalina and Avenida de Alejandro Rosselló respectively.

9.30 p.m. Concert by the Coros Clavé and folk dances by the Agrupación Planas.

Tuesday, August 6.—4:30 p.m. Unveiling of monument to Chopin.
 6 p.m. Concerts in the Borne and Paseo de Sagrera.

10 p.m. Festival at the Frontón Balear.

Wednesday, August 7.—5 p.m. Aviation meeting at the Son Bonet aerodrome.

8 p.m. Regatta, with Clubs España, Regatas, Molinar, Portixol and Ca'n Pastilla taking part.

10:30 p.m. Firework display on the Explanada del Muelle by Señor Frontera de Portol, Mallorquin pyrotechnician.

Thursday, August 8.—11 a.m. First performance of the *Xiquets de Valls* in the Plaza de Cort, in honour of the municipality of Palma.

6 p.m. Concert in the Borne by the Municipal Band of Inca.

9 p.m. *Verbena* in the Borne in honour of the *modistillas* of Palma.

Friday, August 9.—8 a.m. Start of collective automobile tour of Mallorca.

11 a.m. onwards. Performances by the *Xiquets de Valls* in various Palma plazas.

8 p.m. Band contest at the Club Deportivo Galguero Balear, with the final show by the *Xiquets de Valls* in the interval and fireworks to finish.

9 p.m. First international swimming contest between the Club de Regatas and the Enfants de Neptune.

Saturday, August 10.—4:30 p.m. Interregional football match.

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Sunday, August 11.—12 noon. Unveiling of monument to Sant Joan Rosiñol.

4:30 p.m. Second interregional football match.

6 p.m. Parade organised by municipalities of the province.

9 p.m. Second international swimming match.

10:30 p.m. Grand final fireworks display by Señor Escalilla from the Muelle by Borne, Terreno, Rambla and back again to Terreno.

11 p.m. Fireworks display in the Muelle by Borne, Terreno, Rambla and back again to Terreno.

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