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ON THE ISLAND

Pictured to the right hereof is Mrs. Doris Cameron, the hostess whose charming home in the Puerta de Santa Catalina is one of the chief points of contact between Spanish and foreign society in Palma. She was formerly Mme. Eugène Van der Elst, her husband being a nephew of the Belgian Prime Minister M. Charles Faider. Their two daughters are Signora Mario Salandra, whose husband is the son of a pre-Fascist Prime Minister of Italy, and Mlle. Lillian Van der Elst. After her second marriage Mrs. Cameron left Brussels for the U.S.A., which explains why her other daughter, Mrs. Al Davis, and her son, Mr. Marcel G. Conrad, are both American citizens.



Mrs. Cameron is also known as «the Miracle of Poitiers». The title was bestowed on her after she was severely scalded under an ambulance in the Great War, and also survived gangrene. Back in New York she was Lady Duff Gordon's representative for five years, head of the house of Peggy Hoyt for two more years and was decorated by the Belgian Ambassador. More work in Paris preceded the serious illness which was the prime cause of her coming to Palma to recuperate.

CYTOLOGIST:—

Professor A. Nichols, F. R. H. S., cytologist, is spending some time on the Island in search of rest. Professor Nichols is one of the world's leading experts in the highest and most intricate mathematics. He and the English writer, Beverley Nichols, are brothers.

NEWCOMERS:—

Major and Mrs. K. Horan are comparative newcomers to Mallorca who may yet decide to settle here permanently, although they have made tentative plans to return to England in February. Major Horan was the author of an article on Mussolini in last week's issue of The Palma Post. Educated at Cheltenham and Sandhurst, he was in Mesopotamia during the war and has served all over India and Malaya. He saw active duty during the recent Burmese rebellion. His sports during his service included big game hunting and trekking in the Himalayas.

RETURNED:—

Mrs. Ann Bowman-Burns has returned from a pre-Christmas rest cure in Ibiza. She is expecting her two children and, we hear, some other members of her family to join her for the festive season.

With her returned Mrs. Philip Jordan, who left on Thursday for Marseilles to join her husband, who was journeying from Egypt by way of Palestine. Before departing Mrs. Jordan, who came to these islands for a rest, declared that she was now feeling «rudely healthy».

ALSO:—

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Martorell have also returned to the Island after their honeymoon on the Continent. They were noticed the other day in Lena's.

Mrs. Martorell was Miss Marta Kuylenstierna. They were married in Stockholm in November.

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MADRID PAYROLL ROBBERY

SIX GANGSTERS ARRESTED

MONEY RECOVERED

Six of the seven men concerned in the killing of a municipal employee and robbery of the City payroll outside Madrid City Hall on November 30 have been arrested, and all but 80,000 of the 1,500,000 odd pesetas stolen have been recovered, according to reports from Madrid.

The arrested men are Casimiro Chaves Ramos, who is regarded as the leader of the gang; Florencio Izquierdo López, who planned the robbery; Ramón Fernández Cortinas, who was the first to fire at the murdered workman and snatched the bag of notes he was carrying; Mariano Salas Castroverde; Fernando Salvadores Prieto, who drove the taxi used in their escape; and Manuel Sánchez Canalejas, who stood sentry over the taxi driver from the moment he was stranded at a lonely spot in the suburbs until the operation was completed.

They were arrested on Sunday, and most of the stolen money was recovered the same day. More than 500,000 pesetas were found in the house of Ramón Fernández, 100,000 under a mattress in that of Sánchez Canalejas and 700,000 in a hiding place near the Calicanto bridge on the Madrid-Avila road. A further 25,000 were found hidden in a wireless set in the house of Pedro Julio Prieto who was arrested on Wednesday as an accomplice.

All the prisoners except the last named appeared before the magistrate on Wednesday and were ordered to be sent for trial. From the statements they made to the magistrate and the police it ap-

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THE LOTTERY

A prize of 50,000 pesetas in the Christmas lottery has fallen to ticket number 95, shared between PALMA, Barcelona and Madrid, while Manacor shares a 60,000 pesetas prize with Barcelona, holding number 16,577. The «gordo» of 15,000,000 pesetas was split between Madrid and Barcelona, going to number 25,888.

A CONFESSION THE PAMPLONA JEWEL THEFT

José Ramón Rodríguez, who was arrested near Burgos as a suspicious loiterer on Wednesday, is now reported to have confessed that he took part in the sensational theft of the priceless treasures of Pamplona Cathedral on August 11.

Civil Guards patrolling the main road to France from Burgos on Wednesday noticed him acting in a way which aroused their suspicions. They halted him and went through the usual «frisking» for arms, finding an automatic pistol on his person.

The suspect broke away, but when shots were fired after him he stopped and surrendered. Taken to the Comisaría he at first gave his name as José Martínez Plaza and his age as fifty-six, but on being confronted with a photograph of himself from the police archives he admitted that he was José Ramón Rodríguez, 47, of Ribas de Miño in the province of Lugo, and went on to confess his part in the Pamplona robbery.

He declared that he met a man named Ramón at the house of the Pamplona watchmaker Eleuterio Arias, where some of the stolen jewels were afterwards found, on August 10. Arias, he said, ar-

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NEW GOVERNOR OF BALEARICS

THE POLITICAL SITUATION

ELECTIONS AHEAD

Don Joaquín García Cabrera has been appointed Civil Governor of the Province of the Balearic Islands in succession to Don Juan Manent Victory, who resigned automatically after the recent change of Government in Madrid. Don Antonio Moreno Luque has been appointed Government Delegate in Mahón.

These changes were announced at 10 p.m. on Friday, when a list of the new Governors of forty-six provinces, comprising all Spain except Catalonia, was published at the Home Office. A Palma man, Don Félix Escalas, had already been appointed Governor General of Catalonia, and he took over the administration of the autonomous region in an impressive ceremony held in the Plaza de la República in Barcelona on Friday morning.

President Alcalá Zamora handed the Premier on Wednesday the decree dissolving Cortes which he had promised Señor Portela Valladares when he formed his Cabinet a week ago. For the moment

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PRAISE OF MALLORCA

«Privileged Islands» is the title given by the Madrid newspaper A B C to a note published in its recent special number at the foot of a fine colour print of a Mallorquin scene.

«The Balearics,» declares the writer of the note, «are known as the «Isle of Gold», «The Isle of Calm», «The Pearl of the Mediterranean» and «The Isle of Dreams and Sun». The imponderable beauty of its landscapes, crowned with almond trees in flower, millenary olive trees of Dantesque twistings, orange and lemon trees and languid palms in fabulous series of oriental grace, have made Mallorca the dreamed-of Mecca of painters and poets, of musicians, of every artist who feels the divine inspiration of nature.

«To numberless palaces and seigneurial mansions legend has lent a singular aureole. The sur-

perb Cathedral conceived by Jaime I, the royal residence of the Almudaina, the City Hall adorned with the richest of carved woods, that Gothic jewel of the thirteenth century which is the convent of San Francisco, are everything in the City. But they are nothing in comparison with the marvels of the landscape which surrounds it: Bellver Castle, fairytale places like Raixa, Son Vida, Alfabia, the picturesque *alqueria* masked by an astonishing tropical vegetation.»

«Statistics show,» concludes the note, «that there is a continual increase of the number of tourists of quality who come to render the tribute of their most fervent admiration to what in Spain, *pais de turismo!* constitutes with Seville, Granada, Córdoba, the Escorial and Toledo the country's greatest pride and glory.»

ENTERTAINMENT

Cinemas

Teatro Lirico, Plaza Libertad. Till January 1: Mayral-Gimeno zarzuela company.

Cine Born, Paseo del Borne. Monday: *The Crusades* with Henry Wilcoxon and Loretta Young (in Spanish).

Salón Rialto, Calle San Felio. Monday till January 1: *Julieta Compra un Hijo* with Catalina Bárcena (in Spanish) and *Red-head Parade* (in English).

Cine Moderno, Plaza Santa Eulalia. Monday: *The Cycle Champion* with Joe E. Brown (in Spanish).

Teatro Principal, Plaza Weyler: the Romea Theatre company of Barcelona in comedies with Antonia Herrero and Nicolás Navarro.

Teatro Balear, Calle Zanoquera: Circus.

Cine Protectora, Calle Protectora. Now showing: *The Blonde Venus* with Miriam Hopkins (in Spanish) and *El Perro de Flandes*.

Cabarets & Dancing Places

Tito's, Plaza Gomila, Terreno. Florida Dance Hall, Calle Vallori.

Los Pinos, Calle 14 de Abril, Terreno. Closed.

Jardín Bellver, Calle 14 de Abril, Terreno. Closed.

Trocadero, Rambla. Lido, Calle Brondo.

Macarena, Calle Teatro Balear.

Bars & Restaurants

Lena's, Avda. Antonio Maura. Joe's Bar, Calle 14 de Abril, Terreno.

Picadilly Bar, Calle Bellver and Calle 14 de Abril, Terreno.

Triana, Calle Yeseros. Oriente, Paseo Borne.

Parislén, Plaza Libertad.

Dog Racing

Every Sunday, at the track behind the Instituto, top of the Rambla.

Horse Racing

Every Sunday, at the track on the Carretera de Estalenchs.

Basque Pelota

Every night except Monday, starting at 10 p.m., at the Fronton, Calle Hornabeque.

NEW CARDINALS APPOINTED

PRIMATE OF THE SPAINS

MADRID NUNCIO

The Papal Nuncio in Madrid and the Archbishop of Toledo were among the twenty new Cardinals appointed in the Secret Consistory over which the Pope presided in the Vatican City on Monday.

His Holiness invested the new Princes of the Church with their mantles in a solemn ceremony held on Wednesday. He handed them their Cardinal's hats in a second ceremony on Thursday.

Among the new Cardinals are Monsignor Tedeschini, Nuncio in Madrid; Monsignor Gumá y Tomás, Archbishop of Toledo and Primate of the Spains; Monsignor Marmaggi, Nunci in Vienna; Monsignor Magione, Nuncio in Warsaw; Monsignor Kasper, Nuncio in Paris; and the Archbishop of Prague. The rest are Italians, so that the Italian Cardinals are now in a majority.

The Sacred College now consists of sixty-eight members, of whom thirty-seven are Italians. The maximum number possible is seventy.

Before Monday's Consistory the number was down to forty-eight. Of these twenty-three were Italian and twenty-five foreign.

Rumour has connected this bringing up to strength of the Sacred College with the serious condition of the health of the Holy Father during the past few months. It was surmised that its object was to prepare for the possibility that it might become necessary to elect his successor.

MODERNO

From December 23

The Cycle Champion

with

JOE E. BROWN

(in Spanish)

THE «LANGUAGE DUMPING» PROBLEM AS A READER SEES IT

MORE LIGHT ON THE RELATIONS OF ENGLISH AND SPANISH

Editor, Palma Post.

Sir;

Your correspondent Mr. Philip Johnson, in your last issue, raises some interesting points in his article on Language Dumping. Those «Nationalists» who seek to exclude from the Spanish language words imported from England or America but who are ready to adopt words from neighbouring countries should remember that in taking over, for example, words from the Basque they are in fact going further afield than in admitting English words.

My etymological knowledge does not permit me to trace the origins of the various words quoted by Mr. Johnson as examples of «dumping» but the probability is that at least some of them derive from precisely the same origins as some — but not all — of Spanish. Whereas Basque, much closer geographically, is non-Aryan in its origin, and has no connection with any known language—except some dialect spoken in a remote part of the Caucasus.

It is obvious that there is no such thing as «purity» in language—any more than in race. The Nationalists mentioned by your correspondent who seek to prevent the «defiling» of Spanish by the

importation of new «blood» must be as familiar with the origins and mixings of languages as certain other Nationalists, who proclaim themselves 100% Aryans, are with racial origins and mixings.

Just as by «natural selection» races adapt themselves to changing conditions over very long periods, so do languages. Spain, a comparatively lethargic country, imports today the words it needs to keep up with the changing outside world.

«Miss» and «girl» instead of «señorita» are good examples of words needed by the Spanish language to express a new idea, inexpressible by their own word. A glance round Lena's Bar suggests that though Nationalists may object in Madrid, the importation not only of words but of the article itself raises no insuperable objection in the mind of Young Mallorca.

Or even fills a need. Yours etc.,

I. A. Marlow.

Barcelona, 19. XII.

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A MALLORQUIN STATESMAN

MIGHT HAVE SAVED COLONIES

BORN IN PALMA

Mallorca has just celebrated, very quietly, the tenth anniversary of the death of one of her most famous sons, the statesman and orator whose name has been given to the avenue leading from the Borne to the waterfront.

Don Antonio Maura y Muntaner was born in Palma on May 2, 1853 and died in Madrid on December 13, 1925. He had witnessed the revolution that created the first Spanish Republic, and died during the dictatorship of General Primo de Rivera, the reaction against which brought the Second Republic in 1931.

Essentially an Islander—he had to study the Spanish classics hard as a youth to acquire his subsequent mastery of Castilian—Señor Maura took a breath of the sea with him to Madrid when he first became Deputy for Mallorca in 1881. Sea-power and the overseas interests of Spain were the objects of some of the most important reforms which he advocated and in part carried out in the years that followed.

As Minister for Overseas Affairs in 1893 he drew up a scheme of autonomy for Cuba which conciliated the Cubans without sacrificing Spanish sovereignty, and which, if he had been allowed to carry it out, would probably have prevented the breakup of the Spanish colonial empire five years later. Under his Premiership in 1909 the successful Melilla campaign was fought, and while he held the same office for the last time nearly everything lost in the Annual disaster of 1921 had been won back before the dictatorship was established with the avowed object of ending the war.

The negotiation with France of Spain's right to the North of Morocco in 1904 and his administrative reforms as Home Minister in 1902 are yet others of the principal achievements of Mallorca's greatest representative in modern Spanish history.

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BOMBING OF THE RED CROSS STRONG PROTEST BY DOCTORS

APPEAL TO LEAGUE

The doctors of the American hospital at Dessie have made a statement directly refuting the Italian denial that hospital buildings marked with the Red Cross were bombed in the recent air raid on that Ethiopian town.

The statement has been forwarded by the Ethiopian Foreign Minister to the Secretary General of the League of Nations, who has communicated it to the Council and the members of the League. Here is the text:—

We, the undersigned doctors at the Tafari Makonnen American Hospital, having our premises visibly marked with the international emblem of the Red Cross, make the following formal declaration:—

To-day, December 6, at 7:48 a.m. three flights of Italian bombing aeroplanes, consisting of four machines each, flew over the town of Dessie and dropped incendiary bombs, explosive shrapnel bombs, and aerial torpedoes for one hour. We formally declare that the first explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped on all the Red Cross dressing stations, on which the international emblems were displayed in large numbers. In detail, five bombs were dropped on the Tafari Makonnen Hospital building proper, which contained 65 sick and wounded men and had the Red Cross painted all over the roof. The instrument room was completely burned and destroyed by bombs, as were wards by other bombs. The head nurse, Mlle. Haering, has an open fracture of the left leg, and her condition is serious. The annexe to the hospital, 100 metres away, containing sick men, was hit. Although it flew the Red Cross flag, the surgical tent of No. 2 dressing station (Drs. Loeb, Dassius, and Beyen), 200 metres from the hospital, was completely destroyed and set on fire by bombs, and all the material was destroyed. We declare that in the enclosure containing the dressing stations and the hospital, which is outside the town, the Red Cross emblems were in place and in large numbers.

We protest against this inhuman act and stigmatize it before the whole civilized world, and we give notice to all Governments, to the League of Nations, and to all religions that more than 40 explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped in the enclosure containing the Red Cross dressing stations, which were plainly visible, and that we have to deplore some scores of victims killed or wounded by these atrocious and cruel demonstrations, contrary to all conventions. (Signatures) M. J. Soreson, A. R. Standin, M. D., Dr. M. S. Belau, Dr. Loeb, Dr. Dassius, Malako Beyen, M. D.

MAHON HARBOUR DEFENCE SCHEME PROTEST

A start was made last Tuesday on the operations for improving the harbour of Mahón, Menorca, as a naval base.

The city named after Hannibal's brother was shaken on that day by the explosions of the blasting charges used in blowing up the Isla de las Ratas. The Ministry of Marine has decided that this islet obstructs the channel and constitutes a danger to submarines using the port, and has decreed its total destruction.

Blasting is to be used until the Isle of Rats is down to the water's edge. Thereafter mechanical excavating tools will break up the doomed islet into fragments which will be removed by a dredger.

The development of the naval base involves the compulsory acquisition by the military authorities of a stretch of land extending from the beginning of the military road leading to the La Mola fortress to the fortress itself, on the North side of the harbour. The zone affected includes a number of villas on the North shore, which will likewise be expropriated.

A deputation of owners of these villas called on the Mayor of Mahón, Señor Pons Sitges, during the week to complain that the militarisation of the North shore would both harm their interests and deprive the City of a much appreciated «lung». The Mayor told them that there was no alternative to accepting the decision taken by the Government for reasons of state, and that he considered it certain that no one would suffer any loss when the properties affected were valued and paid for.

A further complaint against the North shore scheme came from the fishers of *mariscos*, who likewise sent a deputation to the Mayor. The deputation pointed out that if they were barred entirely from that part of the coast they would be seriously hampered in their pursuit of the mollusc that seems to have been invented to accompany vermouth, and asked that a way be found to enable them to earn a livelihood without impinging on the rights of the War Office.

The Mayor has called a joint meeting of City Councillors and *mariscadores* to consider what is to be done.

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VESSEL BURNED IN HARBOUR DEVELOPMENTS IN CIUDADELA

WIRELESS STATION

The auxiliary engine sailing vessel San Antonio was seriously damaged by a fire which broke out on board in Ciudadela harbour, Menorca, in the small hours of Monday morning.

The fire was discovered by the vessel's engineer, Luis Enguera, who was sleeping on board. He awoke with a start about 2:30 a.m. to find the air full of smoke and himself half suffocated.

He dragged himself on deck and found that smoke was pouring from the forward hatch. He opened the hatch and poured water into it, but finding his efforts unavailing went ashore to fetch help.

Civil Guards, *carabineros* and civilian volunteers went to his assistance. So did a tug belonging to the Ciudadela Harbour Board, which was able to give effective help with its fire-fighting apparatus.

For three hours the fire-fighters laboured, at the end of which time the flames were extinct. They had caused considerable damage to the vessel as well as to her cargo.

The San Antonio belongs to the Bagur y Cia. shipping company. She was not insured.

The marine authorities have opened an inquiry into the causes of the fire.

Ciudadela expects soon to inaugurate its new electric power station.

The three motors supplied by a Manchester firm, of 200, 120 and 70 horsepower respectively, are in position and were tested last weekend. Finishing touches are now being given to the dynamos, built in Barcelona.

The switching and distributing gear of this station is the first apparatus of its kind made in Spain.

The City Council of Ciudadela is acquiring a site of 20,000 square metres which is to be offered to the state for the erection of a wireless telegraphy station. Offers of suitable sites have been invited and received, and the choice is believed to have fallen on one on the Degollador road, belonging to the Conde de Torre Saura.

The state has budgetted 750,000 pesetas for constructing the station, which will represent a great improvement in Menorca's communications with the rest of the world.

PIRATES' BONES SKELETONS FOUND IN SOLLER

Some ten skeletons believed to be a link with the palmy days of piracy in the Mediterranean have been found at Sóller.

Workmen digging on a site opposite the house known as Ca'n Llaneras in the Puerto turned up a mass of human bones at a depth of several metres. So far ten complete skeletons have been pieced together.

No definite evidence shedding light on the identity of the remains has yet been reported. Nevertheless there is a strong conviction among the *Sollerenses* that they once formed part of the crew of one of the pirate vessels which formerly infested these shores.

Sóller town is to be linked up with Lluch by a road through the Gorch Blau, which will also provide the West coast port with direct communication with the interior of the Island. A grant of 108,022 pesetas for that purpose from the national board administering the unemployment relief fund was announced during the week.

The road has been planned by the engineer Don Antonio Parietti, who is also responsible for the Puig Mayor funicular scheme. It will form one of the approaches to the lower end of the funicular, the commencement of which was reported in this paper last week.

The grant has been secured largely by the intervention of Señores Zaforteza and Canet, Deputies to Cortes for the Balearics, at the instance of Don Manuel Puig, Sub-Director of the Sóller Railway.

LONDON-LISBON AIR LINE LINK WITH PALMA SERVICE FOR NEW YEAR

Alternative air routes from Palma to both London and Lisbon will be provided on January 1, when the London-Lisbon air line to be operated by the British firm Crilly Airways Limited is inaugurated.

The company has arranged for one flight daily in each direction, the journey taking about nine hours. The stopping place in Spain will be Madrid, the focal point of the Spanish Air Post lines, including that which links Palma and Valencia will the rest.

Trial flights have been made this month over the proposed route, which includes stops at Paris, Bordeaux, Biarritz and Madrid. At the same time ground arrangements at those aerodromes are being completed.

Until the time-table is available here it is impossible to say exactly what the flying time from Palma to either London or Lisbon will be. To passengers for London the new service will offer the advantage of only one change, that at Madrid.

On January 1 also the Madrid-Lisbon service of the L. A. P. E. (Líneas Aéreas Postales Españolas) will begin to operate daily, with the exception of Sundays.

The L. A. P. E. plane will leave Barajas aerodrome, Madrid, at 8:30 a.m., arriving at the Lisbon airport, Alberca, at noon. Departure from Alberca is timed for 1:30 p.m. for arrival at Barajas at 4:30 p.m.

It is understood that the L. A. P. E. service between Palma and Barcelona will be resumed soon. The date of the resumption has not yet been announced.



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LATEST WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Saturday

The King and Queen leave London for Sandringham today. Other members of the royal family, who are joining Their Majesties there for Christmas, will follow at the beginning of the week.

LONDON, Saturday

Both Houses of Parliament adjourned yesterday till February 4, with the usual provision for earlier reassembly in case of need.

Several Acts received the Royal Assent, including the Railways Agreement Act permitting the Government to guarantee loans totalling £ 26,000,000 for railway modernisation and reequipment. One or two minor Government bills were introduced, including one embodying proposals for setting up a Sugar Commission and amalgamating companies manufacturing sugar into a single corporation.

The principal subject discussed on the motion for the adjournment in the Commons was the position in the coal industry arising out of the decision of the miners' Delegate Conference to tender notices in the coalfields to cease work on January 27 unless a satisfactory settlement of the wages claim has been reached meanwhile. The Secretary for Mines, Captain Crookshank, referred to the appeal he had made to the men's leaders to investigate fully the offer made by the owners, the actual terms of which they are not in a position to communicate to the union before January 6.

GENEVA, Saturday

The Italo-Ethiopian conflict appears as the most important subject, in addition to the usual technical and administrative details, in the agenda of the ninety-ninth session of the League of Nations Council, which is scheduled to open here on January 28. The official communiqué announcing this conveys no information as to the further procedure to be followed in handling this thorny problem.

PARIS, Saturday

M. Laval returned here yesterday morning and was immediately received by President Lebrun.

Rumours that his fall is imminent are denied in Government circles, where it is pointed out that the Premier would hardly have taken pains to obtain a vote of confidence from the Chamber before his departure for Geneva if he had thought that his fate was bound up with that of the ill-starred peace proposals. The opinion prevails however that it is doubtful whether the Cabinet will survive the crucial debate on foreign policy which is scheduled for December 27, and there is already much speculation as to M. Laval's prospective successor, the names of MM. Chautemps, Paul-Boncour, Mandel and Herriot being freely mentioned.

PARIS, Saturday

Growing tension between France and Italy seems to be indicated by the report that immediately after the publication of Signor Mussolini's speech at Pontinia the French Ambassador visited Secretary of State Suvich and protested strongly against the uncompromising passages in it against the powers taking part in sanctions. Signor Suvich is said to have rejected the protest.

It has not yet been possible to obtain confirmation of the rumour circulating in Geneva, according to which Signor Mussolini was informed by M. Laval and Sir Samuel Hoare of the contents of the peace formula before the proposals were definitely drawn up, and the Duce had privately given an assurance that he would accept the plan as a basis for peace negotiations. If the rumour should prove correct it would indeed help to explain some of the hitherto inexplicable events of the past two weeks.

It is generally expected here that Signor Mussolini will refrain from formally replying to the peace proposals. This would mean that France is bound now as before by the sanctions and must, if Great Britain so desires, even take part in an oil embargo. Thus the critical international situation which M. Laval has been doing his best to forestall for some

months past may arise shortly after the New Year.

ADDIS ABBABA, Saturday

Unparalleled pomp will be displayed by the Emperor when he makes his long planned journey to the northern front, which has been postponed for the time being owing to the diplomatic conversations now pending.

Two Arab thoroughbreds with saddles worked in pure gold will be ridden alternately by the Emperor, whose suite will include the Crown Prince. The authorities here state that extensive measures have been taken in order to ensure the Emperor's safety.

ROME, Saturday

Marshal Badoglio's latest communiqué suggests that the campaign generally has entered a more serious stage, and white troops have now replaced askaris in the vanguard.

Further engagements are reported in the Tembien region, while the Ethiopians who broke through at Maitinchet retired in good order and still constitute a menace. Reinforcements are being despatched to prepare the fighting area for the rainy season.

From Addis Abbaba it is reported that the Ras Kassa is moving troops towards Makale from Debra Tabor, but no news has been received of the Takazze river engagement.

DOLO, Saturday

The Italian aviation forces are particularly active just now. Yesterday a squadron bombarded Ethiopian advanced guards to the North of Dolo.

It is asserted that the Eas Desta's forces continue to advance slowly. They are now supposed to be within a few days' march of the Italian advanced posts.

ADDIS ABBABA, Saturday

Heavy fighting is continuing on

DOCTOR L. M. CHESNEY

Doctor Lillian Mary Chesney died at 6 p.m. on Friday at her home, Calle Dos de Mayo, 41, El Terreno, of cerebral haemorrhage. Doctor Chesney, who had a distinguished war service record, will be greatly missed by her friends. The funeral service will be held at the cemetery at noon on Monday.

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the Takazze river, according to Ethiopian reports, the battle line having widened out. Details are to be expected in a few days.

On the southern front the Ethiopian headquarters have been moved from Jijiga to Dagabur. The Ethiopians are advancing about fifteen miles daily.

DAIREN, Saturday

The situation on the Outer Mongolian frontier has become tense as the result of a battle between Japanese troops and frontier guards. Reliable sources indicate that a complete «foreign legion» estimated at 10,000 men, commanded by Russian officers and equipped with tanks, armoured cars and artillery, is assembled at Urga, while a similar concentration exists near Lake Boinor. Reports are current that the Soviets are assisting the modernisation of the West China Communist army with the object of employing it as a reinforcement in the event of a Russo-Japanese conflict.

CAIRO, Saturday

The Parliamentary elections required by the restored Constitution of 1923 are expected to take place at the beginning of March.

It is considered certain that the Wafd party will be returned with a large majority, whereupon the Wafd leader Nahas Pasha will become Premier. In that case the plan is to begin negotiations with Britain forthwith for an Anglo-Egyptian agreement, preliminary deliberations concerning which will begin now.

These pourparlers will not be conducted between the British High Commissioner, Sir Miles Lampson, and the present Premier, Nessim Pasha, but between the High Commissioner and Nahas Pasha, leader of the United Front and Nessim Pasha's presumptive successor.

Moscow, Saturday

An extremely violent earthquake, which probably took place in the Pacific Ocean near the British Solomon Islands, East of New Guinea, has been registered

by the Moscow seismographic station.

LONDON, Saturday

Shipbuilding is experiencing the greatest activity since 1930, yards being reopened at Newcastle-on-Tyne, £ 50,000,000 worth of contracts having gone to Birkenhead, Barrow-in-Furness employing 11,000 men and Belfast building 130,000 tons.

The slide in silver continued yesterday, since the United States is now purchasing in China and is not prepared to pay above 21 pence, thus absorbing only eight per cent of the offering. Shanghai reports that silver is being shipped direct to the United States to «provide additional reserves for exchange stabilisation». According to advices from New York, the Treasury is considering the possibility of calling an international monetary conference to deal with the silver problem.

The Bank of England reports a record note circulation, the fresh demand being £ 500,000 above the £ 419,500,000 already current, thus indicating a continued upward trend of the public purchasing power since 1931.

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WASSAIL

In our last edition we took the forelock to wish our readers a Merry Christmas, and by the time this is read the rumblings of the coming storm will already be loud in their ears.

To the cynic whom most of us harbour in our bosoms there is something irresistibly quaint in the spectacle of so many of our contemporaries feverishly preparing to celebrate a major festival of a religion of which they share neither the beliefs nor the enthusiasms.

To Christians it seems equally odd that the Feast of the Nativity, conveniently coinciding with the old Pagan festival of Yule, should serve almost inevitably as an occasion for determined indulgence in the grosser delights of the flesh.

Many an armchair philosopher doubtless expounding today why feasting is out of date. The custom, he will argue, had its justification in an age when appetites were more plentiful than dinners, and when fasting was practised more from necessity than in obedience to either religious or medical precepts.

Only those who have fasted, according to such reasoners, have either the right or the need to feast. However cogent the philosopher's reasoning his voice will be that of one crying in the wilderness and regarded of none.

The wassail bowl or its equivalent will be filled and emptied many a time in the next few days, in Palma de Mallorca as elsewhere.

So much being certain, it will be well if something of the Christmas spirit also survives. The community of peoples roughly denoted by the term Christendom is cemented by certain common ideals and traditions, which at the present time are in danger both from within and from without.

The essential oneness and the essential worth of mankind were never more subtly or more violently impugned than in our age. Whatever asserts or implies those principles is worth preserving.

THE NIGHT WATCH

It was on a night before Christmas that Woodenhead Staples played Santa Claus at a church social given by the Dutch Reformers. Levitia, his wife, had prepared for the occasion by hiding the hard cider, but she didn't know that her spouse had been stirring a large can of shellac, against the day as it were. He had the can down in his boat house and every afternoon for a week he spent about an hour stirring the stuff, and after each stirring out came a big ball of shellac gum, on the end of a stick. The night of the social Woodenhead figured there was no more gum left in the residue than might be counted on to kill a cat—which meant it was acceptable to his own cast-iron stomach.

By the time Woodenhead got to the church vestry, where he was to get into his St. Nick outfit, his main sheet was in the wind and he was taking it aboard through his lee scuppers, but by keeping a tight hold on himself he was able to fool Vacey—that's short for Levitia down east—and it looked as though everything was going to go off all right. And so it did, for a while, barring the moment of Belle Toll's sweeping entrance. Woodenhead, as old readers of this column know, is deaf as a post and talks in a force twelve voice in order to hear himself speak; also, there's been a blood feud between the Tolls and the Staples for nigh on twenty years—ever since Woodenhead got caught pouring the rum off some pickled peaches Belle was cooling on her windowsill, in fact.

«Here comes that witch, Belle Toll,» Woodenhead roared in his regular whisper—about force nine. The kids got a great kick out of it, except for Belle's own hopefuls, who thought their ma was in dutch with St. Nick and that they wouldn't get any Christmas presents.

Well, except for that, the evening started off fine, with Woodenhead behaving himself, circulating among the children and occasionally slipping out to the vestry for a slug of de-gummed shellac. And even the most cynical—Vacey and her friend Marvella Sylvester, to be exact—began to feel a little bit confident. The optimists, on the other hand, had come for no other reason than to see Woodenhead put his foot in it, and they were getting discouraged. They had no reason to worry.

To get to the end of the story: Woodenhead walked over to the Christmas tree, where the presents were hanging. «Elmer Perry,» he read from the card on the first package. «Come forward, Elmer.» Then he turned to get another packet from the tree and in doing so breathed on a lighted candle. Now, shellac, de-gummed or not, is pretty inflammable stuff. There was a flash of light and a puff of smoke as Woodenhead's beard caught fire, and a bellowing Santa raced for the open air. They fished him out of Reverend Pattish-

TURNING THE PAGES

by Bibliófilo

CRIME AT CHRISTMAS, by C. H. B. Kitchin. *The Albatross Crime Club* Vol. 281, 6 ptas.

To those who echo the little boy's prayer — «Forgive us our Christmases, as we forgive those that Christmas against us»—it has long seemed strange that so few crimes are committed at this artificially festive season. Mr. Kitchin's book therefore fulfills what has been described as «a felt want».

The setting for his tale is a house-party (what would detective writers do if no one had invented the house-party?) in a large old house in Hampstead. The fact that it is a Christmas party is mainly just gratuitous piling on of the contrast between the anticipated gaiety and the grim problems ahead.

Mr. Malcolm Warren, the psychological stockbroker who was the first person singular in Mr. Kitchin's previous detective novel «Death of My Aunt», is the nar-

Kitchin finishes busting up that party. He starts with a fatal accident which does not deceive the least experienced reader for a moment and is not intended to, goes on to a straight murder and then throws in a kind of accidental suicide which removes effectually one of his loose ends.

To do the dirty work of detecting Mr. Kitchin produces out of his bag of tricks a police inspector who looks like a slightly too stout film star and has never quite recovered from the fact that he was once a theological student. Mr. Warren is to some extent his collaborator, but is far from being a mere Watson.

The author declares his aim to have been to depict how ordinary people behave under abnormal circumstances. He therefore endows his stockbroker with a high degree of insight into character, and has him tackle the case from that angle while the Inspector sticks to the cold, hard facts. He has the grace not to make the



rator of this story also. He is the guest at Beresford Lodge of his principal client, Mr. Axel Quisberg.

Under that hospitable roof is assembled a collection of people sufficiently heterogeneous to allow free play to the reader's detective fancy. Besides Quisberg and his extremely pleasant wife and the narrator there are the mysterious Doctor Green, Mrs. Quisberg's three or four children by previous marriages, an unpleasant young man named Dixon who wants to be engaged to one of them, Mr. Quisberg's secretary and the secretary's mother. The youngest child is recovering from appendicitis, and the nurse who is caring for him has quite a prominent secondary part to play in the drama.

Of these people, no less than three are destined to meet death from unnatural causes before Mr. Quisberg's well, but not until they had made a valiant but ineffectual effort to save the preacher's barn, which caught beautifully when Woodenhead took a short cut through it.

The Watchman

the Inspector a gross materialist or to make the psychologist demolish his conclusions like a house of cards.

So we are confronted in «Crime at Christmas» with neither a pure detective puzzle of times and places and microscopes nor a novel of character. The two are blended, quite convincingly.

One suspects that Mr. Kitchin intended this book to be read on one of those unsatisfactory evenings between December 25 and January 1, when there is nothing much to do except renew supplies of bicarbonate and ponder gloomily over the bills that will begin to come in so soon. The prescription is nicely adjusted to the disease.

To be taken sitting in the most comfortable chair you can find, with a good chunk of olive wood in the grate and plenty of smokes and something liquid available. Some rain pattering on the window-panes will help the illusion that this is Hampstead and the Heath is at the end of the road. Start early in the evening and the book should hold you till it is time to put out the light and creep between the sheets.

BY HOOK OR BY CROOK

Moscow, 16.

In the village of Kadievka has been arrested by the police a woman who pretending to belong to the stronger sex has been married nine times to innocent women who as soon as the nuptial ceremonies were over found themselves abandoned and missed their savings and various objects belonging to them.

The prisoner, Anna Mavarakina, is forty-one years of age and will appear before the courts charged with the original offence of polygamy as having married nine persons of her own sex. — El Día, December 17.

Which reminds me of a story told by a fellow-boarder of mine in a pensión in Barcelona, where I stayed for some months before coming to this back-end of — that is to say, this Isle of Calm. He was a Spanish gentleman of Basque extraction who had spent most of his life in the Argentine, and his story was about the great and thriving City of Buenos Aires.

It happened in the piping times before the depression, when B. A. was just oozing with everything the stuff can buy and making the wealthier European capitals look like three ha'porth of nothing.

In those days there was a young lady of Buenos Aires who was everything a young man approves of. She was beautiful, she was elegant, she was charming. You would see her driving an expensive automobile along the roads that lead out of town, or parked by the side thereof, pensively smoking a cigarette in a long holder and waiting for something to happen.

It always did. There always happened along a *pollo pera* driving an equally expensive car at a furious rate, but not too furious for the vision by the roadside to catch his eye. There would be a squealing of brakes, followed by a scraped acquaintance.

The acquaintance would ripen rapidly into dinner and theatre dates, and quite a lot of Father's hard-earned pesos would cross jeweller's counters in exchange for tangible expressions of devotion. And then, when the swain got to pressing his suit towards what he fondly hoped was its logical conclusion, the damsel would go all coy and just disappear.

Back in her snappy little flat, the address of which was unknown to those adoring young men, the lady would wash off her makeup, remove the padding from certain parts of her anatomy, and change into male attire. For that fascinating *señorita* was really an extremely hearty young man, and her admirers' tributes, converted into hard cash, sufficed to keep up that snappy little apartment and satisfy an appetite gained on the squash courts and in the gymnasium of his exclusive club.

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ON THE ISLAND

By The Wayfarer

(Continued from page 1)

GONE:—

Col. Riccard and Mr. Harry Firbank were both on board when the Scharnhorst left Palma for Southampton on Tuesday. This was an achievement, for the ship sailed at an hour which meant extremely early rising.

The Colonel intends to spend his holiday in Bath, while Mr. Firbank will join his wife and son at Brighton. They both expect to be back in Palma early in the New Year.

HOME:—

Mrs. Charles Salisbury and her young son Timothy have rejoined Mr. Salisbury at their home in Génova. They had been staying with Mrs. Salisbury's mother in Son Alegre.

BARCELONA:—

Mrs. Lola Josephson is reported to have returned to Barcelona from Madrid.

By the way, we hear that Miss Joy Petersen had a second accident with her car, in which Mrs. Josephson and Mrs. Pamela de Prizer were passengers. The repair bill, they say, was a large one.

MISHAP:—

Another victim of misfortune is Miss Eugenia Lewis, the fiancée of Doctor Don Vicente Pefiaranda, who has returned from the United States with her mother.

Just before they sailed for these shores their house was burgled, and Miss Lewis lost a considerable amount of valuable jewellery.

HEADING SOUTH:—

The Rt. Hon. Mr. Winston Churchill and Lady Churchill motored across the Island from Formentor on Monday to catch the night boat to Barcelona. They made it by the narrowest of

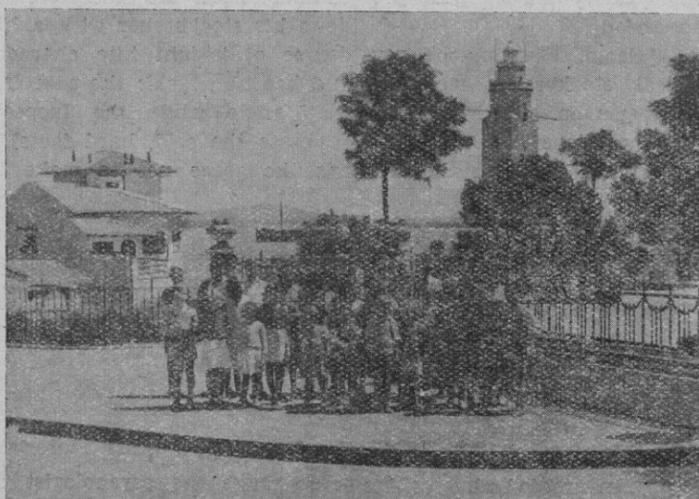
margins, leaving their baggage to follow.

It was said on Monday evening that Mr. Churchill had received an urgent telegram calling him back to England. Latest advices from Barcelona, however, are that he is still at the Hotel Colón and may quite possibly go on to the South of Spain.

HURT:—

We hear that Major Grant Smith has injured his leg. Apparently it is not too serious, and he still hopes to dance at Mrs. Doris Cameron's New Year's Eve party.

At that function, according to the local press, there will be «a turkey, a sausage and a ham.»



The International School, Porto Pi.

Mrs. Cameron assures us that there will be all that and more.

CORRECTION:—

We regret any annoyance that may have been caused to either Señor Urzáiz or Señora de Urzáiz by a note which appeared in this section last week, and in which Señora de Urzáiz was referred to by her former name of Natasha Rambova.

The note was culled from a

London newspaper, and the member of the staff who was responsible for reproducing it, and who also read the proof, not being acquainted with the Sres. de Urzáiz, missed the connection between the name in the text and those two well known members of local society.

Another slip which crept into our last edition was a mention of Mr. Charles Graves. The reference, of course, should have been to Mr. Robert Graves.

FESTIVAL:—

The German School is holding its Christmas Festival on Sunday afternoon. The programme, which is suitably decorated with laden Christmas trees, a portrait of our

Miss Audrey Malcolm is another guest at the Chalfont.

NOTICED:—

Noticed lunching in Lena's the other day was Mrs. Cecil Aldin with Mr. and Mrs. Danby.

INTERNATIONAL:—

Christmas holidays began on Friday at the Ecole Internationale des Baléares at Porto-Pi, where classes were suspended until after Reyes. Saturday saw the departure of a number of the school's students to spend the holidays with their parents.

Marion Kretschman will remain with her parents in Cala Ratjada until after the New Year, and David and Teddy Gramkow will visit their mother, Mrs. Warfield Gramkow, in Ibiza. Ernst Machol was due to leave on Saturday for Barcelona to spend Christmas with his mother. Edgar Clark has left for Paris with his mother, Mrs. Harry Clark, where he will pass the holidays and visit his grandparents.

COMING:—

Many of the children at the International School will be joined by their parents. Some of the arriving parents who will share the school's plum pudding and plump turkeys on Christmas Day are Mrs. Margaret Thompson, of Vienna, Mrs. Virginia Moore, of London, Mrs. Judith Loewenthal of Barcelona and Mrs. Ann Lister Warner of Seville.

Mrs. Thompson and her elder daughter, Miss Peggy Thompson, are now visiting the school and young Bert and Nina Thompson, who are enrolled there as students. The family have spent several years near Vienna but their home is in the United States.

Mrs. Moore is arriving from London next week to spend Christmas with her son, John FitzAllen Moore. Mrs. Warner is coming to the Island from Seville to join her daughter, Susanne, at the school and to remain until the close of the holidays. Mrs. Loewenthal is expected before Christmas to visit her children at the school.

RECOVERING:—

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health of H. E. Don Juan Manent is much improved as the result of the treatment he has undergone in Barcelona. His Excellency has not yet announced when he will return to the Island.

HERE:—

Mr. Lake of Génova has returned to spend Christmas here. His son and nephew are with him.

Doctor Don J. Pieras Alegre, the well known surgeon and gynecologist, was expected back on Friday from Barcelona, where he has been on professional business.

LEFT:—

Miss Madeleine le Rouyer left for Paris on Thursday.

COUNT DE COUDRAY

The death of Count Jean de Coudray occurred on Saturday, December 14 at «Mar Azul», Puerto de Pollensa. He had been seriously ill since July.

His sister, Baroness Berthemy, arrived in the Puerto too late to be with him at the end. The sympathy of their many friends is with the Countess de Coudray and Baroness Berthemy in their bereavement.

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**NEW GOVERNOR OF
BALEARICS**

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however it is not being published, and Cortes has merely been prorogued for the maximum period of three weeks.

The House will reassemble after January 6 for what is expected to be a purely formal session in which the dissolution decree will be read. The general election campaign will then presumably begin in earnest.

The contending parties have already begun to manoeuvre into their positions for the coming struggle. Señor Gil Robles, leader of the C. E. D. A. party, is expected to enter into an electoral alliance with the Monarchists.

The C. E. D. A. chief is known to be intensely disappointed at the formation of a non-party Government for the purpose of holding elections, considering that as the leader of the most numerous group in the House he should have been called upon to form a Ministry on the resignation of Don Joaquín Chapaprieta a fortnight ago. He has issued a stirring manifesto to his followers calling upon them to conquer through the ballot boxes the power of which he feels they have been cheated.

The parties of the Left are also negotiating to form an alliance, the Socialists having already accepted the proposals made to them by Don Manuel Azaña, ex-Premier and leader of the Republican Left. At the same time however the Socialist party finds itself split and headless.

Don Francisco Largo Caballero, the ex-Minister who was acquitted a fortnight ago by the Supreme Court of complicity in last October's rebellion, resigned from from the Presidency of the party on Wednesday, stating that his decision was irrevocable. Señor Largo's action resulted from differences between the extreme and moderate sections of the party, in which the leader declared himself on the side of the extremists.

A CONFESSION

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ranged the burglary.

They went to the Cathedral, armed with a hacksaw and a cold chisel, at midnight on August 11. They sawed through one of the bars of a window looking out over the city wall, and climbed in by means of a ladder which they found in a half-built house near by.

Guided by the watchmaker, the other thieves reached the treasure chamber and ransacked it, filling a sack with the various gems. They left by the same window.

The sack and its contents were left with Arias, who promised to hand each of his confederates 5,000 pesetas when he should have succeeded in selling the stolen property.

Rodríguez added that he went with the man named Ramón to Venta de Baños and three days later to Palencia, where they separated. He had not seen the other man since.

The prisoner complained that Arias had given him only twenty pesetas on account for his help, and that since leaving Palencia he had been compelled to tramp from village to village, begging between jobs of gathering grapes and digging potatoes. He had bought the pistol which was found on him for fifteen pesetas from an unknown man in Palencia.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Christmas Day will be celebrated with a special service at the Methodist Church, Murillo 44. Santa Catalina, at 10.30 a.m. Mr. Miguel Pascual and the Rev. Alfredo Capó, minister of the Church, will deliver short sermons, and the choir of the Chapel will interpret musical compositions of Jarman, Mozart and Mendelssohn. All friends have been invited to attend.

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**MADRID PAYROLL
ROBBERY**

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pears that the robbery was carefully prepared, having been first planned about the middle of November.

Eugenio Izquierdo López, brother of Florencio, is understood to have been the sixth man who took part in the actual holdup, and is being actively sought. It is believed that he has the rest of the stolen money.

Casimiro Chaves has a wound in one eye caused by a splinter of glass. This apparently came from the rear window of the stolen taxi, which was shattered by a bullet fired after the fleeing gunmen by Municipal Councillor García Morales from one of the balconies of the City Hall.

It also appears that the bloodstains found on the seat and door handle of the abandoned taxi were caused by the blood of the murdered workman, Alvaro Fernández. They came from the clothes of the gangster who shot him.

The stacks of banknotes recovered by the police were handed over to Señor Díaz de Villar, the City Treasurer, at the Dirección General de Seguridad on Wednesday afternoon. They were transferred to the City Hall under a strong guard.

Señor Díaz conveyed the thanks of the City Corporation to the police for their rapid and effective action. The handing over was watched by one of the prisoners, Manuel Sánchez, who was waiting to be interrogated.

There was an affecting scene at the Dirección General earlier in the day when the mother and widow of the murdered man called to express their gratitude to Don Antonio Lino, the police commissary in charge of the detectives assigned to the case. Congratulatory telegrams have poured in from all over Spain, and the Madrid City Council intends to reward the officers who have rendered it such signal service.

CENSUS AHEAD

Palma, in common with other Spanish towns, is holding a revision of the municipal census on January 31.

Foreign and Spanish inhabitants of the City, both resident and transient, are to be included in the count. This is made clear by a proclamation issued at City Hall during the week by the Mayor, Señor Ferrer Arbona.

The Mayor points out that many benefits are to be derived from an exact record of the population, and that no offsetting disadvantages, such as increased taxation, are to be feared. He therefore calls upon every good citizen to cooperate in the provision of the data asked for, without omission, concealment or inaccuracy.



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