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### SENSATION FOR JUGO-SLAVS

### CROATS BACK IN POLITICS

### BAN EVADED

BELGRADE, Saturday

The news that the Croats are abandoning their tactics of reserve and reentering the field of active politics caused a political sensation here yesterday.

Doctor Matshek, the Croat leader, has accepted the invitation extended by M. Yovanovitch, leader of the Serbian Farmers' Party, to stand as joint candidate for the Croatian and Serbian Farmers' Parties.

This union is primarily due to the effect of the present electoral law, which prohibits parties existing in one part of the kingdom only from putting up candidates for Parliament. The restriction has been overcome by the fusion of the Croatian and Serbian farmers' organizations into one party, and it is believed furthermore that a very close understanding has been reached between the party chiefs on the question of policy.

The significance of the event is the greater in view of the general election which has been announced for May. The Government will now have to contend with the united peasants' party as well as the People's Party opposition.

Doctor Matshek was released from prison, where he had served two years of a three years sentence for political offences, shortly after the formation of the present Cabinet, which is headed by M. Jettitch. The Premier, who first rose to prominence as Foreign Minister and continues to hold that office, is known to be the trusted adviser of the Regency Council headed by Prince Paul, and also to favour

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### EX-COMMISSAR

### LIFE SENTENCE IN HUNGARY

BUDAPEST, Saturday

Matthias Rakosy, who was People's Commissar for Trade and Socialisation in the short-lived Soviet Republic of Hungary in 1919, was sentenced to life imprisonment here yesterday on a long list of criminal charges, and ordered to pay the costs of his trial.

The former Commissar was charged with high treason, rebellion, complicity in twenty-seven murders, incitement to seventeen other murders, and manufacture of spurious coinage.

Rakosy addressed a brief speech to the court before the verdict was pronounced. It cost him an additional sentence of one day's solitary confinement in a dark cell, the judge terming the address a «public provocation».

The main thesis of the speech was that the Hungarian Soviet had been by no means merely destructive. Its short life, the ex-Commissar maintained, showed many positive achievements, such as bringing Hungarian agriculture back to its pre-war level and actively supporting writers, scientists and artists.

Rakosy stated that he himself had never swerved from his Communist convictions till the present day. Whatever his personal fate might be, he concluded, he was confident that the Communist cause would finally triumph.

The object of the prosecution in the case just concluded was to pin on Rakosy the responsibility for as many as possible of the activities of the Government of which he once formed part. He has already served a long jail term for treasonable activities, and had just been released from prison when he was arrested on the further charges.

Rakosy had fled to Russia when the Hungarian Soviet was

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### SIR JOHN SIMON IN PARIS

### SPEECH TO BRITISH TRADERS

### RESULT OF TALKS

PARIS, Saturday

Sir John Simon, the British Foreign Secretary, claimed considerable importance for the Anglo-French agreement resulting from the London talks in a speech made yesterday at the annual banquet of the British Chamber of Commerce here.

Sir John had flown over from Croydon during the afternoon to fulfil the engagement, which was made many weeks ago. He declared in the course of his speech that he was glad to follow the tradition by which a member of the British Government attends this annual function.

It was with the subject of Anglo-French commercial relations that the Chamber was concerned, he concluded, but it was always well to bear in mind the connection between political conditions and commercial relations. Europe, said the Foreign Secretary, was suffering from economic paralysis, largely due to political uncertainties and to political fears.

Business, he went on, was dependent on confidence, and nothing would do so much to restore commercial confidence in Europe as the bringing about of political appeasement and good understanding between nations, and the removal of those suspicions and uncertainties which make business men hesitate when they would like to be bold, and hinder international trade.

Sir John said that he could not let the occasion pass without saying with what pleasure they in London received the visit of the French Ministers a few days ago.

«We believe», he told his audience, «we then did good work together, not merely good work for our two countries, but good work for the world, and good work for peace. That work is not directed against any other country.»

«We are not aiming at some limited understanding, but are seeking to promote peace and the well-being of all by putting forward suggestions as a basis for free and equal negotiations between all concerned, in order that the structure of peace may rest on the surest and wisest foundations.»

«If it is recognised that we are

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### LINDBERGH CASE

FLEMINGTON, N. J., Saturday

On the twenty-seventh day of the trial of Bruno Hauptmann for the murder of the Lindbergh baby, the defence closed its case with evidence relative to the car used by the accused.

### KING'S JUBILEE

### OPPORTUNE TIME FOR IRISH PEACE

DUBLIN, Saturday

The King's Jubilee would be an opportune time for a final declaration of peace between England and the turbulent Irish Free State, in the opinion of «The Irish Times.»

Drawing attention to the forthcoming commemoration as «an occasion when every racial member of the British Commonwealth will do honour to his visible head,» the paper editorially expresses the hope that the King will be able to announce an Anglo-Irish peace during the period of the Jubilee.

Thus, for the first time, signs that the Free State is not entirely prepared to abstain from the great celebrations on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the King's accession, became apparent. Until «The Irish Times» published its leader, there had been little or nothing to indicate that a sizeable section of Free State opinion was in favor of informally showing allegiance by honouring His Majesty.

«The Irish Times,» apparently sure that it was speaking for an important part of the population of the Free State, went so far as to say that the desire prevalent in England for an end of the current dispute is heartily reciprocated in the Saostat.

The journal is under the impression that new discussions aiming at a restoration of accord between Dublin and London have already occurred in the latter capital.

As yet there has been no official statement to back up this belief, but the feeling that negotiations have been underway, at least informally, persists in several quarters.

On Monday the Irish question will be brought up in Parliament, and it is probable that any discussions that may have taken place already will then be revealed.

### U. S. AND SOVIET NEAR BREAK

### EMBASSY STAFF DECREASED

### BULLITT HOME

MOSCOW, Saturday

Strained diplomatic relations between the United States and the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics seem likely to snap into an open break.

Already the United States has cut down its legation staff. First Secretary Chenson is the most recent to be recalled to Washington. The Under Secretaries packed up and left for home some time ago.

The tension between the two countries has existed almost since the birth of the Soviet Republic. The bland, smiling Foreign Secretary Maxim Litvinoff left the United States after creating a diplomatic channel between America and the territory taken in by the Soviets for the first time since the collapse of Imperial Russia.

Among the items left to be thrashed out when Comrade Litvinoff left Washington was the matter of debts entailed by the governments of Czar Nicholas II and Alexander Kerensky.

That not inconsiderable matter remains unattended, and the United States is getting impatient, particularly as diplomatic relations with Moscow have not opened up the vast, green fields of trade that were visualised by the sponsors of Soviet recognition.

It is now rumoured here that Ambassador W. C. Bullitt, who is now in Washington on leave of absence, will not return to Moscow, and that he will not be replaced, leaving Ambassador Bullitt was one of the chief advocates of the present policy towards the Soviet, and when diplomatic relations were opened up, was rewarded with the ambassadorial post.

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### UNEMPLOYED GET FORMER DOLE

LONDON, Saturday

Payment of the dole on its old, larger scale was resumed yesterday in as many areas as possible in England.

Within a very short time, after sufficient funds have been distributed, it is expected that the former dole will be met throughout the entire country.

The increase in payments followed serious demonstrations of the unemployed in scattered sections, most of them heavily populated municipal areas in which the unemployed were largely laid off industrial workers who have had no jobs for years.

The Government order to return

to the original dole has already been given and is only being held up in certain parts of England by a temporary shortage of funds. It is believed that this shortage will have been met in time to take care of the next payments.

The resumption of the full-sized dole has been hailed with wild delight by opponents of the government.

The irrespressible Strube, in a cartoon in the «Express,» shows a small, hard and wiry prizefighter entitled «The people» administering a haymaker to a bigger chap, labeled «Government,» while Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald hastily throws in a towel marked «Concessions.»

### CONGRESSMEN TO VISIT MALLORCA

In 1936, according to the publicity department of the Fomento del Turismo, a junket of United States Congressmen will visit Mallorca in the course of a European tour.

Fifteen days will be spent on the Island, and during this time those of the American Solons who are not content to while away their time in Palma's fleshpots will be taken on excursions to Valldemosa, the Caves of Arta, Formentor and Miramar—the usual round.

The visiting legislators will be received here by the Island's dignitaries and in every way will be treated in the manner to which they would like to be accustomed in the United States.

The itinerary of the remainder of the congressional tour has not been announced in detail, but it

is understood that the trip will be confined to a cruise of Mediterranean waters and return.

A special ship will be chartered for the excursion, and no passengers other than those of the junket will be aboard. It is not yet known what boat will be used or, for that matter, what line shall enjoy the patronage of the distinguished globetrotters.

The Fomento del Turismo is the author of the statement that no less than 2,000 Congressmen will board the ship in New York, to swoop down on this Isle of Calm week or two later.

Your correspondent has done the best to account for 2,000 United States Congressmen, but has only been able to arrive at a rough total of something under 1,100, including members of both Upper and Lower Houses.



## QUEEN ISABEL'S WRITING RELICS OF GREAT CARDINAL

### ARCHIVIST'S FIND

TOLEDO, Saturday

A document in the handwriting of Queen Isabel the Catholic, the discoverer of Christopher Columbus and co-founder with her husband, Ferdinand, of united Spain, has been found in the Provincial Archives here.

Don Emilio Garcia Rodriguez, Provincial Archivist, came upon it and many other documents of great historical value in the course of the reorganisation of the archives, in which he is engaged. Several of the discoveries are connected with Cardinal Mendoza, the right-hand man of King Ferdinand.

The most interesting of all is the Cardinal's memoirs, dated 1488.

There is also a letter bearing his name and an inventory, dated Guadalajara in 1499, of jewels belonging to Bishop Juan de Bivera and received by the Cardinal. The other documents found include the title deeds and conveyances relating to the sale of the inn called the Mesón de la Hoja in Toledo.

Undated 1429, 1430 and 1433. There is also a deed of the Hospital de la Caridad in Toledo, of 1455, and a deed of 1562 confirming the privilege granted by the Catholic monarchs to the Hospital of Santa Catalina, also of Toledo, which was founded by Cardinal Mendoza.

The privilege consisted of the right of abatement of 100,000 maravedises, to be levied out of the alcabalas, or sales taxes, levied in Seville. There are also other documents with illuminations of great artistic value, and some dating from the thirteenth century.

The seal of Cardinal Mendoza will be a point of pride in an exhibit of royal, pontifical, noble and ecclesiastical seals which Señor Garcia Rodriguez is preparing. It was broken in a cellar during a search for some electoral returns, and the pieces were carefully fitted together by the skilled and patient hands of the Provincial Archivist.

## NEWSPAPERS PRICE BILL IN CORTES

MADRID, Saturday

A bill to raise the price of newspapers in Spain by enforcing a legal minimum is under consideration by Cortes, and has already passed the committee stage.

No newspaper or periodical may be sold to the public for less than fifteen centimos if the bill becomes law. At present ten centimos is the price of most Spanish dailies, both local and national.

Subscriptions are fixed at not less than three pesetas fifty centimos a month for Madrid and Barcelona papers, and two pesetas fifty for provincial sheets. A minimum of four pesetas a month is fixed for papers charging twenty centimos for single copies.

Daily papers are forbidden to offer their readers gifts of any kind, or advantageous conditions for obtaining books or other publications, in order to prevent attempts to defeat the object of the bill. Other clauses fix minimum commissions for newspaper sellers and distributing agents, which vary according to whether they sell the paper in question in the place where it is published or elsewhere.

The bill proposes to set up a Commission to watch over its enforcement, composed of the Presidents of the Union of Newspaper Publishers of Madrid, of the corresponding association in Catalonia and the Federation of provincial newspaper associations. The Presidents will be allowed to delegate their functions as members of the Commission to their respective Vice-Presidents and Secretaries.

The Commission's duty will be to receive information of infractions of the law and report them to the Home Office. The latter will be empowered to inflict a fine of 1,000 pesetas for the first offence, 5,000 for the second, and 15,000 for the third and successive offences.

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## VALENCIA WANTS JAIME I ARAGONESE KINGS' PORTRAITS

### FROM THE PRADO

VALENCIA, Saturday

The City of Valencia wants the portraits of King Jaime I of Aragon, who conquered the kingdoms of Mallorca and Valencia from the Moors, and of eleven other Aragonese—here they call them Valencian—kings.

Jaime the Conqueror's portrait hangs at present in the Audiencia at Coruña. All twelve paintings belong to a series of twenty-nine, which formerly hung together in the Museo del Prado in Madrid and have since been dispersed among various Spanish towns and cities.

Pedro the Great, son of Jaime I, is in the Archbishop's Palace at Valladolid—an Old Castilian city which has no historical right to him at all. Ferdinand the Catholic, who is in the same place, might perhaps pass, although he was King of Aragon before his marriage with Queen Isabel of Castile, and did not complete the union of the crowns until after her death.

Alfonso the Liberal and Jaime the Just are in the Archbishop's Palace at Toledo, in the heart of New Castile. So are Juan the Hunter, Martin the Humane, Alfonso the Magnanimous, Fernando the Good and Juan the Great. The Town Hall of the Basque township of Fuenterrabia has Alfonso the Benign, while Pedro the Ceremonious looks down severely on the pranks of schoolboys in the Instituto of Logroño.

The Mayor of Valencia is at work trying to persuade the Ministry of Public Instruction to order the portraits to be deposited in the City's Historical Museum, in view of their particular interest for students of the history of the Kingdom of Valencia. Meanwhile, the generosity of a group of Valencian citizens has provided the Museum with another historical relic of great interest.

The newly acquired, or rather newly recovered treasure is a group of nine tiles forming a picture of the first appearance of Christ to the Virgin after the Resurrection, and constituting a notable example of seventeenth century Valencian ceramic work. The tiles were originally in the Royal and General Hospital of the City and Kingdom of Valencia, which was dedicated to the subject of the picture.

The treasure disappeared from Valencia, and turned up recently in an antique dealer's shop in Madrid. There it was observed by some Valencian visitors to the capital, who acquired it and presented it to the Historical Museum of their City.

## FRANCE-ALGIERS LAUNCH OF NEW VESSEL

MARSEILLES, Saturday

The steamer Ville d'Alger, built at Saint-Nazaire for the Compagnie Générale de Navigation Mixte, was launched at that city during the week.

The new vessel is to be used on the Marseilles-Algiers route, which calls at Palma de Mallorca. She displaces 8,820 tons, and her engines develop 20,000 horsepower.

The day when she begins regular voyages will mark a new era in the communications between France and her North African colonies. In particular, she represents a great advance on the slow, uncomfortable old ships used at present between Marseilles and Algiers.

Her large tonnage, it is calculated, is not too large for the traffic she is expected to carry. Moreover, it is a necessary condition for the comfort of passengers, as the Gulf of the Lion is notoriously the most stormy part of the Mediterranean, and the whole crossing is frequently rough.

A considerable reserve of power was considered necessary by her designers for the same reason, and also for the equally important purpose of ensuring that the ship shall always make port on her schedule. It is hoped here that the schedule time may be reduced after the Ville d'Alger and a sister ship which is understood to be planned are put into service.

It is pointed out that the present time of two nights and a day compares unfavourably with that taken thirty-five years ago. At that time the Eugène Pereire and other boats of the Compagnie Générale Transatlantique, which was then operating the route, made the journey in twenty-four hours.

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## MANCHUKUO'S WORLD FAIR

### IN 1936

By United Press

HSINKING—Manchukuo is going to have a World's Fair in August and September, 1936, the government has announced.

In the meantime the task of providing shelter for the millions it expects to entertain has been left to a commission that will handle the problem along with other construction matters.

Plans are still nebulous but the government believes that an exposition on a large scale will do more to give the world accurate information on the country than any other program that could be undertaken.

According to the official announcement:

Its purpose is «to introduce to the world the newly established Empire of Manchou and at the same time to aid the empire's industry and commerce, to contribute to the cultural progress of the people of Manchoukuo, and to promote international good-will and understanding.» Every nation is cordially invited to participate in the exposition.

The event is to be known as «Manchoukuo World Exposition.» It is to be sponsored by the government and held at the Shengtau, Ksinking Special Municipality, from Aug. 5 to Sept. 25, 1936. For this purpose the government is to appropriate the sum of 2,000,000 yuan.

All applications for constructing buildings and stands will have to be made on or before March 31, 1936. As regards the articles for exhibition, their names must be submitted on or before June 15, 1936, and the articles must be in Hsinking on or before July 15, 1936, and ready for exhibition on or before August 2 of the same year.

On the exposition ground there will be 20 buildings, including a special hall commemorating the founding of Manchoukuo, and a separate hall for each industry, in addition to separate halls for Japan and China and another building for exhibits from other foreign countries. A play ground will be also provided for children.

## CODOS ON FUTURE OF AIR TRAFFIC ON NORTH ATLANTIC ROUTE

By HAROLD ETTLINGER

United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS—Prediction that a new type of airplane will be developed in the near future solving one of the major difficulties in the way of regular north Atlantic air service was made by Paul Codos, famous French long distance flyer, in an interview with the United Press.

Besides working on preparations for his forthcoming flight to South America with Maurice Rossi, Codos is making a special study of problems of north Atlantic flights for Air France.

«This new type of machine will not be a land plane nor altogether an amphibian,» Codos explained. «It will be a plane of great speed built to land on an airfield but capable, in case of necessity, of making an occasional landing on the sea. It should thus have the advantages in speed and endurance of a land machine, being able to outspeed the wind, and have the added security of being able to come down anywhere in case of emergency.»

Codos hastened to add, however, that many more obstacles must be overcome before the north Atlantic is really conquered, and he criticized the belief that floating islands built in midocean would solve all these problems at once.

«I respect the idea completely and I have great confidence in the American technical knowledge behind the project to build these islands,» he said, «but I see difficulties which must be overcome. The most important of these is visibility. Until means is devised for a pilot to come down by his instruments safely in a thick fog the islands will be useless. Another difficulty is ice, which forms on the wings during a north Atlantic flight. A way must be found to overcome this and then there are many minor points which must be settled and which the building of islands leaves untouched.

«Therefore, I say that we must continue as at present, gradually improving our technical knowledge and moving by slow steps until we have overcome the obstacles one at a time. We must know many more things before we can make

a north Atlantic service a practical thing, and we must continue working as in the past, beginning with experimental flights, gradually developing an occasional air service until we can keep to a schedule, and finally carrying passengers. Up to the present we have not yet reached the second of these stages in the north Atlantic.»

In the matter of speed, Codos predicted that the type he envisages would solve existing problems and provide some security against forced landings as well. He foresees planes regularly making 500 kilometers—500 miles—an hour—and thus overcoming the dangers from wind. Likewise, he does not consider the problem of ice as insurmountable.

Codos added, incidentally, that planes making 500 kilometers an hour could easily carry mail or passengers across the Atlantic in fast enough time to eliminate a heavy gasoline load, and thus intermediary stops would perhaps not be necessary beyond the Azores.

In Codos' opinion the only north Atlantic route feasible at present is by way of the Azores, because the danger from ice is smallest. He admitted, however, that when this problem is solved it may be well possible to use a straight-line route from Paris to New York.

Asked about the competition between dirigibles and planes in ocean traffic, Codos said, «In time the speed of zeppelins will appear ridiculous beside that of planes. It will be the same as the present difference between steamships and planes. Naturally, we must not expect the comfort in a plane ride of a few hours that we get in a ship, and thus there will always be a place for dirigibles providing this comfort.»

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## PETROLEUM OUT OF COAL

### PIONEER PLANT

By United Press

LONDON—Fuel scientists, according to an authority in that field have now reached a dead end in their researches and can go no further until they get the help of giant corporations, or of multi-millionaires.

«The year 1934 saw vitrually no important discovery in the utilization of fuel, or the treatment of coal,» says this expert.

«The reason is that, by a curious coincidence, researches in these allied fields simultaneously have reached the point where they can make no real progress without putting up extremely expensive plants.

«It is unusual to see them all stuck at the same time, for in the past when one section was fretting and fuming, another section was tearing ahead. Of course the year 1934 saw various improvements and refinements as well as the usual amount of laboratory research, but the next stage demands the investment of very large sums of money which don't seem to be forthcoming, either here, or on the Continent, or in the United States.»

Meanwhile the Imperial Chemicals Company has completed its big plant at Billingham for the manufacture of petrol, or gasoline out of coal and engineers say they will begin production in a few weeks, though full production will not be reached until June.

This pioneer plant will produce 100,000 tons (equal to about 30,000,000 gallons of petrol) per year. It will consume 1,000 tons of coal per day of which 400 tons will be «processed» for the petrol it contains. Incidentally Imperial Chemical Industries has reached an amicable agreement regarding patents with the International Hydrogenation Patents Company, controlled by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the Royal-Dutch Shell combine and the I. G. Farbenindustrie. Imperial Chemicals will hand over the petrol to nominated oil-distributing companies and will not «dump» its products upon the oil market.

Local authorities have issued storage licenses to Imperial Chemicals for a total of 16,000,000 gal-

## FORMENTOR REOPENS

### PREPARATION FOR NEW ARRIVALS

### SPRING SEASON

The Hotel Formentor, Mallorca leading resort hotel which closed temporarily a few days ago, the Crédito Balear suspended payments, is now open.

Doors of the lavish hostelry were actually thrown open on February 1, but at first the staff were busy freshening the place in anticipation of the Spring season.

About this time of the year, first influx of late Winter and early Spring tourists commences. Advance bookings at the hotel indicate that this year will be no exception to the rule.

During the month it has been closed, the Hotel Formentor has not been allowed to deteriorate nor has the magnificent road to the ridges of Cape Formentor which it is reached.

A resident manager has been appointed to the premises ever since the hotel was closed down, and he has seen to it that the property has been properly kept up in the absence of the complete staff.

Already the bus service from Formentor Bar in Palma to the Formentor Hotel has been re-established.

As far as can be learned, the hotel will not be resumed at the Hotel. It will be remembered a new-fangled Dutch game was inaugurated just before the closing.

Fortunately for the owners of the adjacent villas, most of whom have been away this Winter, the hotel, which is their principal business, will be in full swing when they return.

lions; ultimately the company expects to store about 20,000,000 gallons. This is equal to six months supply for the United Kingdom. The company's potential output is 30,000,000 gallons per year. However, only a modest percentage of the country's total consumption of petrol, estimated in 1933 at 10 million gallons.

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**ANOTHER AIR RACE**

Another international air race they call them «air Derbys» has been announced and is being held in the bay of Palma from all parts of the world sending in their entries. This particular event is having its inception in America, where it has been offered to the winner of a race to South America to return. The first prize will be an award of £50,000. It will all due respect to C. W. A. Campbell Black, Cathcart Kenneth Waller, et al., the men may ask himself if these races are worth while. At such fliers as those mentioned above contribute greatly to commercial aviation when they illustrate such astounding feats as were seen in the great London-Melbourne race can be doubted. But these men are trained fliers. Most of them had hundreds of thousands of miles flying experience behind them when they started the race. An accident to one of them would undoubtedly have been an «act of God.» At this time a race involving only two men of the Scott-Black-John Waller calibre is run off, it is in that the beneficial results will be great and the corresponding risk—particularly unnecessary—will be small. In a contest, if it is ever staged, should have the backing of everybody interested in aviation—though that interest might be limited to the desire occasionally to travel by plane. Unfortunately, most long distance races are open to anybody possessing a pilot's license. Sir Archibald Robertson did stipulate that no entrant would be considered unless he had a commercial license. But even this form of certificate can be obtained without going tests such as the fliers on the London-Melbourne route to meet. It will be remembered that two racing pilots in the London-Melbourne race were killed in—after their plane had demonstrated its unairworthiness at sea and Marseilles! More experienced pilots would have abandoned the flight.

**ON THE ISLAND**

*By The Wayfarer*

The first of the large cruisers to call in Palma this season, will be the Cunard-White Star liner, Laconia, arriving in Palma on Tuesday morning with about three hundred and seventy-five passengers. This well known steamer, formerly in the Southampton-New York service, is making one of the White Star's winter cruises of the Mediterranean. The Palma office of Thos. Cook and Sons will care for the many tourists landing from the Laconia. Tours have been arranged to various parts of the Island. The ship will be here for one day.

**CRUISES:—**

Other cruisers due in the bay of Palma this month are the famous Viceroy of India and the Holland-American Statendam. The first-named vessel will reach Palma on Saturday on her way back to England after a cruise of the Mediterranean. She goes to Tangiers and Lisbon before returning to England.

**HOLLANDER:—**

The Dutch vessel will arrive here on February 21, while on one of the cruises for which the Holland-American line is well known. Shore excursions will be arranged by Cook's for the many American and English tourists.

**CHALFONT:—**

Mr. Harry Clark returned from Paris via the Marseilles boat last Wednesday. He is staying at the Chalfont House, where his numerous friends are finding him his usual cheery self.

Mrs. Home-Hay has left the Chalfont House to return to England.

**COMING:—**

Mrs. Meade, the mother of the British vice-Consul in Barcelona, will be in Palma this week when the Viceroy of India stops here. She will leave the cruise here, and after a short visit on the Island, will go to Barcelona to join her son there.

**ILL:—**

Mrs. Doris Cameron has been confined to her home with a slight illness. Mrs. Cameron is one of the best known members of the Anglo-American colony in Palma.

**RADIO:—**

The American dance orchestra known as The Tar Babies, lead by Mr. «Juice» Wilson of Chicago, and consisting of «Jimmy» Holmes at the drums, «Puss» Chase, pianist, and Señor Quesada of Cuba, banjo player, are now a regular feature on the programme of the Mallorca Radio station.

Besides playing at Tito's every afternoon and evening, the orchestra plays from the studio of the station once a week, and broad-

casts directly from Tito's dance floor every Wednesday and Sunday. The first broadcast took place last Wednesday and proved to be a great success. Several dance tunes were played by request of listeners.

**ARRIVALS:—**

Recent arrivals in Mallorca include the following: Mrs. E. N. Rebenneck, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ray, Mrs. J. Reekie, Mr. M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Roddan, Miss M. M. Roddan, Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins, Miss Wiggins, Mrs. G. Rogers, Mrs. A. G. S. Willett, Miss J. M. Sloan, Mr. R. A. Stevens, Miss E. I. Walker, and Miss G. E. Struben. All of the above named visitors came to the Island from England.

**EL TERRENO:—**

Some of the late newcomers in El Terreno are M. Lionel Bourden of France, who came to the Island last week from Barcelona; Don Gerardo Pombo y Roiz of Santander; Mr. David Russell of Scotland, who came here via Barcelona and is stopping at the Mediterraneo Hotel, and Mrs. Harriet Gray of the United States, another arrival from the mainland.

**DENMARK:—**

Coming from Copenhagen via France and the mainland late last week were Mr. Carl B. Henriques and Mr. L. Larsen. Mr. Henriques is a prominent barrister in Denmark while Mr. Larsen is a well known architect. Both gentlemen are stopping at the Hotel Mediterraneo in El Terreno.

**HERE AND THERE:—**

Miss MacNaughton left El Terreno for Valldemosa on Friday. She had been a guest at the House Cecile in El Terreno.

Miss A. Smith, a British nurse, came to Palma last week from Barcelona. She expects to spend a short holiday in El Terreno.

Miss Wedell left for her home in England on Friday's vessel. She had been here for more than a month.

**VICTORIA:—**

Latest arrivals at the Hotel Victoria include the following: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shafer, from Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Saville Graven of Manchester, Mrs. Joseph William Elstone and Miss E. M. Elstone, of Huddersfield, England; Mr. and Mrs. Henri Daniel of Rams-

gate, Kent; and Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Amar of Oran. The last named arrived here from Barcelona late last week. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel came to Palma on the Marseilles boat, while Mr. Elstone and Miss Elstone came via Barcelona and a trip on the continent.

**DEPARTURES:—**

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Robinson; Miss Mable Bellamy and Miss Elsie Bellamy were among those who departed for England on Friday's vessel. Other departures last week included M. Henri Varna, the well known Parisien theatrical director and M. Varna's secretary, M. Noel Marcellin. They left for Paris via Barcelona. The Marques and Marquesa de los Alamos have returned to Madrid. Mr. Robert Dick, Edinburgh publisher, returned to Marseilles last week. He will travel in France before returning to Scotland.

**HERE:—**

Baron de Pitteurs is a guest at the Mediterraneo Hotel. He will spend a short holiday in Mallorca.

Also stopping in El Terreno are Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Oppenheim, and Mrs. Ethel Wolfe Ritchie. Mrs. Katherine Bassett of the United States arrived on the Island recently from Algiers. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Maurer of Switzerland also came here last week. Mr. Maurer is here on business. They came to Palma from Barcelona.

**PRIZE:—**

The first of the prizes given by Tito's during the Saturday night galas was awarded to Señor Grau. Prizes are also awarded on Sunday nights at Tito's.

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**Out Of My Head**  
 by HARRY GALLAND

To those who know Nice and the French Riviera, the name and figure of Rex Ingram is familiar. Rex has been playing around in those parts for some time now, and practically anyone who has lived there for a month or two can spot him and his Stutz racing car, and his wife, Alice Terry. Once in a while you may be so lucky as to see all three of them together.

In years gone by Rex was handsome, dashing and famous. He is still pretty handsome, there are plenty of Riviera girls who will testify to his dashing even now, but his fame has faded.

He was an actor and director in Hollywood, and he turned out at least one good film which is still remembered. Still connected with the movies, he acted in and produced «Baroud», a film with an Arabian setting, in the Nice studios two years ago.

When Blasco Ibañez' remains were removed from his grave in Menton last year, it was Rex Ingram who saw to the details and gave out interviews to all who would listen about his great and good friend, Ibañez. There was considerable publicity attached to that.

A few years ago he became a Mohammedan, and he professes to be sincere in his new belief. Like everyone else who has been up and down the Promenade des Anglais more than twice, I knew that Rex had adopted the new religion, but I didn't know why—or at least the reasons he himself gave. I know now.

It seems that Rex Ingram became a Mohammedan because of stomach ulcers. He claims that too much bad liquor and overwork in Hollywood ruined his stomach. One day he picked up Robert Hichens' «Garden of Allah» and suddenly got the idea of going to Africa.

His wife agreed to the trip, and to Africa they went. Within a few days of his arrival there, he was eating normally and his stomach ulcers were a thing of the past. Just like that. He asked an old Arab for an explanation of the miracle, and the Arab said «It's Islam.»

Rex replied «I don't see how» and the Arab retorted (to quote Rex), «Makes no difference. Everything here is permeated with Islamism. Nervous diseases are unknown here.»

That set him off, and lo and behold Rex had become a reader of the Koran. Furthermore, he became an evangelist for Mohammedanism. It is all very picturesque.

Of course, it is only occasionally that he dons Arab dress, but there is always that aura of the mystic religion about him. And Alice Terry does look sweet in a veil.

Well, what about it? Nothing much. But sweet are the uses of publicity.



## DR. ALEKHINE'S DEPARTURE

Doctor Alexander Alekhine, the Russian chess champion, and Mme. Alekhine left Palma on Thursday morning on the Alicante boat for Ibiza. They intend to spend several days in the neighbouring island.

Members of the committee of the Club Ajedrez Mallorca and other local chess enthusiasts were on the quay to take leave of the visitors. Doctor Alekhine expressed himself as delighted with his stay in Mallorca and the reception accorded him by Mallorquin chess players.

On Thursday evening he had given his third and last exhibition at the Café Born, playing six simultaneous games with four opponents, playing in consultation, at each board. The result was another triumph for the champion, who won five games and drew the sixth.

The players at the sixth board were señores Mayol, García Ruiz, Sureda and Ruiz. The meeting was prolonged after the manner of such sessions, until 2 a.m.

Earlier in the day Doctor Alekhine, who is now honorary president of the Club Ajedrez Mallorca, and Mme. Alekhine were the guests of that body at a banquet held in their honour at the Restaurant Born. Those present included Don Manuel Bordoy and Don Vicente Bosch, President and Vice-President respectively of the club, Don Luis García Ruiz, President of the Circulo Mallorquin, and Señor Sofias, chess champion of the Balearics.

Señores Bordoy, García Ruiz and Sofias all made speeches emphasising the importance of Doctor Alekhine's visit. The guest of honour replied with a short speech of thanks, in which he stressed the high level of chess as played in Mallorca and expressed the hope that its development would continue.

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## WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

CAPE TOWN, Saturday

General Hertzog, Premier of the Union of South Africa, informed the House of Assembly that the question whether South Africa would be involved in a war concerning Great Britain would be decided by the people of the Union, speaking through their Government and Parliament. He added that there was not any special agreement between the British Government and the Union for the defence of Simonstown, or between the South African Government and the British Admiralty concerning the defence of the South African naval bases.

The Premier stressed that in case of war the decision as to whether the South African Union would remain neutral or not would rest solely with the South African Parliament.

VENICE, Saturday

Snow enveloped this city yesterday, and the prevailing winds resulted in high tides which flooded the lagoons and low lying houses. The whole of Northern and Central Italy is plunged into midwinter, while France reports landsli-

des and the destruction of dykes on the coasts by raging seas.

SAARBRUECKEN, Saturday

Trial by jury was abolished yesterday throughout the Saar territory, where it had existed for eighty-six years.

The system was introduced in most of the states of the German Confederation as a result of the revolution of 1848, but was replaced in the Reich in January, 1924 by the so-called «Grand Lay Assessors' Court» procedure. The decree of the Reich Minister of Justice making the change was ineffective in the Saar.

LONDON, Saturday

The pepper market was saved from disaster after another day's continuous conference yesterday, and the moratorium is now ended. The pepper committee issued the following statement last night:—

«The shippers' and brokers' meeting confirmed that, with the exception of two firms, Mincing Lane has made satisfactory arrangements for carrying out contracts.» The losses of the two firms

referred to are believed to total £1,000,000, but in view of the action taken the repercussions are expected to be less severe than was anticipated.

PARIS, Saturday

«War between the Government and the banks» is considered to have begun here, and it is freely prophesied that the Cabinet will fall unless M. Flandin takes drastic measures to curb the banks, which are opposed to lowering money rates but favour a long term loan policy.

The danger to the Government appears to be exaggerated. Nevertheless, there is an undoubted recrudescence of lobby intrigue.

VIENNA, Saturday

A state of nervousness prevails here owing to renewed Nazi activity and the threat of Socialist demonstrations on February 12, the anniversary of the triumph of the Heimwehr Fascists over the Social Democrats. The precautions taken by the guards at the Chancellery have been redoubled, and 500 Socialists arrested.

### U. S. AND SOVIET NEAR BREAK

(Continued from page 2).

WASHINGTON, Saturday

The view is held here that obvious changes underway in America's policy towards the Soviets—changes that may end in a complete break—are but a part of the foundations of a completely new foreign policy.

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### SIR JOHN SIMON IN PARIS

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working together in that spirit.» Sir John Simon concluded, «and if others whom we invite to consult with us will make their contribution in the same comprehending spirit, then I believe that in 1935 we may see a great advance towards the establishment of those conditions upon which political confidence and commercial prosperity depend.»

### EX-COMMISSAR

(Continued from page 2).

overthrown by the national army under Admiral Horthy, the present Regent. He returned however to try to revive the suppressed Hungarian Communist party, thus both placing himself within reach of the Hungarian authorities and providing them with the reason for his first arrest and trial.

### NEW «STORY»

An unusual short story, the first to come out of a commune in present-day Palestine, is a feature of the February issue of «STORY». The author is a young Brooklyn writer, Raphael Ashery, who has just returned from a long stay as a colonist in the Holy Land.

Other stories represent a new Armenian-Turkish writer-discovery, A. I. Bezzerides, who like William Saroyan, also lives in California.

A light note is contributed by «Solo on the Cornet» by Dean Fales, the best story, the editors say, so far written about any small town silver cornet band.

### SENSATION FOR JUGO-SLAVS

(Continued from page 2).

a policy of reconciliation towards the Croats and other minority peoples of Jugo-Slavia.

It is therefore assumed that the Regents realise the necessity of such a policy if the Jugo-Slav crown is to be preserved for the boy King Peter. While the assassination of the late King Alexander by Croatian terrorists brought about a strong reaction against Separatism in Croatian as well as in other parts of the country, it served also to show the impossibility of continuing unmodified the late King's centralising Pan-Serb policy.

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