

DEATHS CAUSED BY COLD

Crops Ruined In Valencia

FOOD RATIONED

MADRID, Friday

Two more deaths are reported today as the result of the cold wave in Spain, and it is feared that there have been other victims.

Jesús Maroto Martínez, 25, a shoemaker, was found dead on the road to Infantes, near Ciudad Real yesterday. The body of a shepherd named Leandro Palas was found in the snow near Anguiano, in Logroño province, by neighbours who were seeking two other missing shepherds, father and son.

Civil Guards and villagers, armed with shovels, are searching the drifts near Viniegra de Abajo, also in Logroño province, for six people who have been missing since Sunday. Similar incidents are reported from other parts of the country.

The extraordinary temperature of twenty-one degrees below zero was recorded in Madrid early yesterday morning. A strong North wind which began to blow at noon added to the misery of the inhabitants of the capital.

Enormous Loss

The orange growers of the region around Valencia are estimated to have lost 100,000,000 pesetas by the destruction of their crops. Frost and storms have caused the loss of other crops there and in Cuenca province, where snow is still falling, the temperature has reached eleven degrees below and the streets of Cuenca city are impassable owing to their coating of frozen snow.

The blizzard continues in Avila, where a goods train which left that city yesterday morning is buried in a drift between La Cañada and

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SOVIET ARMY

Report To The Congress

Moscow, Friday

Deputy War Commissary Tchatchefski told delegates of the Seventh All-Soviet Congress that since the last congress in 1931 the Russian Army has been brought to its regular strength of 940,000 men and the budget has been lifted to five milliards of roubles for maintenance alone. His statement was greeted with the greatest enthusiasm.

In view of the recent disturbances in the Far East in which the army was used and men lost, as well as much money spent, the fact that the army was back at full strength in man-power and financially astonished the delegates.

The Soviet press emphasises that the negotiations of the Congress so far amount to a proclamation of the unity and strength of the Soviet State, which is a typical propaganda statement.

The delegates came to Moscow from all parts of the vast Russian empire, where despite racial, linguistic and hereditary differences «all spoke the same language»—that of the proletarian revolution. It was that fact which particularly pleased *Izvestia* and the other newspapers.

Pravda points out that these diplomats are not professional parliamentarians but men who had tested the doctrines of Sovietism in practice.

People's Commissar Molotov once more addressed the Congress yesterday, stressing that while the Soviet government is determined to keep the technical equipment of the army at its present high level, it will also continue its sincere endeavours to maintain peace.

A resolution endorsing the entire policy of the Soviet government was introduced last night and is officially expected to be passed by «a practically unanimous vote.»

ANGLO-FRENCH PARLEY

Rumoured Basis Of Accord

ARMS CONVENTION

LONDON, Friday

MM. Flandin and Laval, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of France, arrived here yesterday shortly after 7:30 p.m. yesterday, and their conversations with members of the British Government will begin today.

They were met at the station by Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald, Sir John Simon, Captain Anthony Eden and other members of the Cabinet. M. Corbin, the French Ambassador in London, had gone to meet them at Dover.

MM. Flandin and Laval were seen off in Paris by all the other members of the French Cabinet, Sir George Clerk, British Ambassador in Paris, and other prominent personages. They are expected to return to Paris on Monday, and a Cabinet council has been summoned to meet on Tuesday and hear their report.

Persistent Rumours

The supposed basis for the discussions between the visiting French statesmen and their British colleagues, which was published in «The Times», is considered «incorrect» in official circles here. Nevertheless, persistent rumours current in political circles assert that a very wide basis for agreement was obtained in the preliminary conversations in Paris, and that Britain has made considerable concessions to the point of view of the French Government.

There is said to be every possibility of a complete accord between the British and French Governments in relation to the equality of rights claimed by Germany in the matter of armaments, and also with regard to other problems connected with the same question. The exact terms of the agreement, it is asserted, are being kept secret in order not to anticipate the results of today's and tomorrow's talks, and to give an opportunity for the solution of less important details which may interest one Government or the other.

Such agreement is expected to

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LINDBERGH TRIAL

FLEMINGTON, Friday

During the twenty-second day of the Lindbergh baby murder trial the evidence tended to further establish the accused Hauptmann's alibis, but a sensation was created in the courtroom by the announcement that a female witness for the prosecution had been found gagged and bound in a burning shop, apparently the victim of an attempted murder.

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LONDON TALKS

Former Envoy's Article

PARIS, Friday

A remarkable article by M. Jules Cambon, who was French Ambassador in Berlin at the outbreak of the World War, was published here in *Le Figaro* yesterday, at the very moment when MM. Flandin and Laval were starting on their journey to London.

The article appears to be intended to prepare public opinion in France for the events which it is hoped will result from the conversations in London between the French Premier and Foreign Minister and members of the British Cabinet.

The influence of Great Britain, M. Cambon points out, extends over the whole world. That country's adhesion to the cause of France in 1914 therefore won for her the moral support of the universe.

«In this way, no less than through her military cooperation,» the ex-ambassador continues, «England contributed to the victory of France in the highest degree.»

«Since in my opinion the situation in Europe has not changed essentially since the year 1914, the same essentials determine the policy of both nations as then. They stand for the same world principle, and have the same interests to defend.»

«One may reasonably hope,» writes M. Cambon, «that the Governments in London and in Paris both realise this. For that reason one may await with confidence the results of the coming deliberations in London.»

BERLIN, Friday

The Government of the Reich has instructed its ambassadors in Paris and London to ask the French

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STRANGE NAVAL MISHAP

Ship Hit By Own Torpedo

OFF FRENCH PORT

PARIS, Friday

The French torpedoboat *Ouragan* is believed to have created so sort of a record yesterday by torpedoing itself.

The extraordinary incident took place during target practice at the naval station of Brest. It was due to an error on the part of the members of the *Ouragan's* crew the consequences of which would have been disastrous on active service, or even in practice with torpedoes.

The crew of one of the vessels torpedo tubes made a false adjustment to the mechanism in preparing to launch a torpedo. When the missile was discharged it described a graceful curve, which ended when it landed with a head-on thud in the stern of the torpedoboat.

Fixed In Stern

A large hole was torn in the stern plates of the *Ouragan*, and the torpedo remained embedded in the ship it had been so loth to leave. All the watertight doors were immediately closed, and the last adjusted to correct the tendency of the vessel to stand on her tail.

The damaged craft then steamed for Brest harbour, and was able to reach port under her own power. On her arrival she was docked and the work of repairing the damage done by the errant missile has been begun.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION IN RUMANIA

BUCHAREST, Friday

A terrific explosion shook the village of Dersida, near Klausenburg yesterday as one of the village cottages literally flew up into the air in a sheet of flame.

When the owner and his wife returned home, they found their cottage nothing but a heap of smoking debris. The first thought of the wife was for her children, who had been left alone in the house.

Villagers who had rushed to the spot when the explosion occurred had done their best to put out the fire which resulted and prevent the flames from spreading to other buildings. But they could do little more than point at the few bits of charred clothing and bones they had been able to find before the arrival of the owner of the cottage

and his wife.

One sight of the pitiable remains drove the distracted mother out of her mind. It was necessary to convey her to an asylum.

The father, who works in a quarry, was also driven almost demoralized at the thought that he had left a dynamite cartridge in the pocket of his working jacket. The jacket was left hanging in the kitchen and the presence of the cartridge in the coat is the only possible explanation of the tragedy. The children while playing must have found the cartridge in the coat, and, unaware of its nature, thrown it into the fire.

The care of the father has already been taken out of the hands of the authorities by the neighbours and friends of the unfortunate

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VIOLENT SCENES IN BELGIAN PARLIAMENT

BRUSSELS, Friday

Scenes of wild excitement marked a heated debate in the Belgian Chamber yesterday during a discussion of unemployment and the distress of Belgian workers.

Socialist members launched a violent attack on Premier Theunis and his government for assenting to an inflation policy as a means of curing unemployment and distress in an attempt to lower prices.

One Socialist speaker declared amid volleys of applause that the workers had reached the end of their patience with the government.

A general strike proclaimed for Monday, he continued, would take place unless before that time decrees reducing miner's pensions were withdrawn.

Again the speaker was greeted

with a volley of applause, and it became increasingly evident that the assembly was behind him in his demand. No action was taken during the session, which was quickly adjourned to avoid further trouble.

The Socialists, however, are not satisfied with their demonstration in the parliament, and are determined to push through their demands for workers' relief. As yet no appeal has been made to the king.

Trouble has been rife in Belgium during the past year, due to the sufferings of the unemployed and fired by the outbreaks a few months ago among the Socialists in Holland. Several lives were lost in the latter country before the unruly elements of the population were placed again under control.

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THE WORLD COURT

The United States Senate has
once again refused to allow Amer-
ica to become an official part of
the International Court. President
Roosevelt will make no statement
on the matter, but he is plainly
dissatisfied. A president who is
unable to get a Congress to pass his
measures cannot afford to antag-
onize that Congress with criticism.
Hence the presidential silence.

One reason advanced for the ac-
tion of the Senate in refusing to
ratify the measure is supposed to
be the change in American public
opinion during the last year or two,
due to the repudiation of war debts
by several European countries now
represented on the bench of the
court.

There is, of course, some basis
for that change of opinion, but it
is not sufficiently important to
warrant the continued aloofness
of the United States in internat-
ional matters.

None of the great powers of the
world the United States refuses to
join the councils of the League of
Nations. That refusal, and the ref-
usal to cooperate in the World
Court, is still based on the Monroe
Doctrine to a great extent by the
policies with which the United
States, like any other nation, is
confronted.

The Monroe Doctrine as origi-
nally conceived by Monroe has been
repeated and repudiated many times
in the past three decades. It can
no longer serve as an excuse for
keeping the lone hand in internat-
ional politics, whatever the ad-
vantages of such a game may be—
there are several.

The United States is sincere in
its desire not to meddle in the af-
fairs of other nations, so that it
itself be left alone, why are
troops sent to Nicaragua on prac-
tically no pretext save a desire to
serve that country for American
political and business interests?

The jack-
knives are not the Philippines given
independence for which they
clamoured during the past
ten years, and for which they are
indisputably ready, and why
have we the meddling in Cuban af-
fairs continue?

Until the United States has clear-
ly its own political and diplom-
atic house, it has no moral or other
right to turn a sanctimoniously
ear to the proposals of the
united nations for intelligent
cooperation.

ON THE ISLAND

By The Wayfarer

The Union Castle liner Lland-
overy Castle anchored in Palma
Thursday. She arrived a few hours
behind schedule due to inclement
weather. The liner brought 25 Eng-
lish visitors to the Island while
three members of the foreign col-
ony embarked for eastern ports.
Most of the arrivals will remain
on the Island for the balance of
the season.

MAIL BOAT:—

The Barcelona mail steamer
brought Captain and Mrs. Leices-
ter Tippinge to the Island. They
have been on the mainland for a
short holiday which they will
complete here. Captain and Mrs.
Tippinge make their home in Wal-
les, although Mrs. Tippinge is an
Australian by birth. They are stop-
ping at the Hotel Victoria.

ALCUDIA NEWS:—

The Wayfarer's special corres-
pondent in the Puerto de Alcudia,
Mr. Tom Davies, reports the ar-
rival of Mrs. and Miss Coster to
that favoured spot on the other
side of the Island. The newcomers
are from Holland and they have
taken a house adjoining that of
Miss Yaeger. Miss Yaeger, whose
home is in Sweden, is one of the
veterans of Alcudia, having resid-
ed there for more than two years.
Holland is well represented in Al-

Alcudia, for in addition to Mrs. and
Miss Coster, Mr. and Mrs. Obere-
diep, a charming young Dutch cou-
ple, have settled in one of the vil-
las that have been built among
the hills surrounding the port.

The same special correspondent
states that the rough seas and des-
perate weather of the last week
(now happily at an end) delayed
the weekly Barcelona boat by two
days.

SISTER COMING:—

Mr. Tom Davies' sister will join
Mr. Davies here early this month.
She is leaving Folkstone within a
few days and will drive her car
through France to Barcelona. Mr.
Davies is not an American.

VENETIAN:—

Los Pinos will attempt to carry
willing members of the foreign
colony to the romantic canals of
Venice tonight, when the manage-
ment of the popular El Terreno
establishment stages a Venetian
Night. The evening will herald an-
other return of Oliver and his or-
chestra. Oliver has just returned
to Palma after a tour of Catalonia.

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ans an opportunity to sample
some of Palma's better dance mu-
sic.

ARRIVALS:—

Latest arrivals in Palma include
Mr. Charles Reginald Ward, who
arrived from England via Barcelo-
na and the mainland. He is
stopping at the Hotel Mediterrá-
neo.

Arriving on Thursday of this
week were Mrs. Cecile Grace
Chambers of London, and Mrs. De-
lia Edith Travers of the same city.
They came from England on the
Orient line steamer.

Other arrivals late this week are
Mr. Robert Dick, Edinburgh pub-
licist, Don Raimundo Fábregas,
prominent Spanish barrister, Mrs.
Fuge Goller of Berlin, Mr. and Mrs.
Edgar George Cundy of Brighton,
Miss Jessie S. Wright of Redcar,
and Mrs. Margaret Carter of Dur-
ham. Mrs. Carter came to the Is-
land from South Africa.

GONE:—

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Everard
left for Barcelona on Thursday
after a short stay on the Island.
They were guests at the Hotel Vic-
toria.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rawlings, of
London, have gone to the main-
land after a visit of more than
two weeks in El Terreno. Mr. Raw-
lings is an engineer.

SOLLER:—

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Derwent
of Sóller left for London this week.
They are returning by way of Bar-
celona and Paris. Friends in Sóller
and Palma expect Mr. and Mrs.
Derwent to return to Mallorca for
another holiday in the not too dis-
tant future.

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Out Of My Head
by HARRY GALLAND

It's at times like these that I
sympathise most completely with
people like William Cashman. I
never met Bill, and yet I could ea-
sily weep for him.

You see, William lives in Pitts-
field, Massachusetts. Pittsfield is a
normal town with nothing out-
standing in appearance or any
other way to recommend it. But it
is also in the Berkshire Mountains,
and when it gets cold in the Berk-
shires, it gets cold.

Right now it is pretty cold in
the United States, and even col-
der in that section in which the
Berkshire Mountains and Pittsfield
are located. The citizens are going
around with flaps attached to
their caps to cover their ears, and
warm fingerless mittens.

The story of what happened to
Bill Cashman isn't long, but it is
pathetic. Bill is a methodical man,
and everybody likes him. Bill is the
kind of man who combs his hair
just before he goes to bed, and lays
his clothes over the back of the
chair when he retires in the order
in which he takes them off, so
there will be no fumbling and no
trouble in the cold morning.

Well, Bill went to bed as usual
the other night, but the night was
unusually cold, even for Pittsfield.
According to his methodical cus-
tom, Bill put his false teeth into
a cup of water when he went to
bed, and would you believe it, when
he reached for them in the morn-
ing, he found they were solidly
congealed.

You'll admit that is pretty tough
on a man. It was particularly to-
ugh because when Bill tried to tell
the neighbours about it, they
couldn't understand him. Eventu-
ally, of course, the cup was heated
and the teeth pried loose from
their fastening, and Bill was able
to put them where they belonged.

He went down to the general
store and told the story to the boys,
and one of them told a young
newspaper feller, and—well, that is
how I know about Bill Cashman
and how cold it is right now in
the Berkshires.

As I said, I feel pretty badly
about Bill. I don't know if the
teeth suffered any from being fro-
zen in that way, but in any case
it just goes to show that Palma
isn't the only place where it is cold,
and there actually are places whe-
re it is even colder than Palma.

I have met a good many people
in the past week who absolutely
refuse to believe that short of the
Antarctic Circle there is any pla-
ce colder than this town, and some
of them say they are tourists who
have been deluded into coming
here and want their money back.

Well, I didn't think there was
a town colder than this one my-
self, and now that it is pretty well
proved that Pittsfield is colder, I
know that it must be hell to be in
Pittsfield. And that is why I feel
so sorry for Bill Cashman.

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TRAMWAY ON THE MOLE

The long promised tram service along the Mole from the junction of the Paseo de Sagrera and the Avenida de Antonio Maura is to be inaugurated today, if all goes well.

The repairing of the track and the installation of the aerial power cable has now been completed. Employees of the tramway company tested out the new line on Tuesday by running one of the company's new cars over it.

The result was entirely satisfactory, so that a similar result is expected from the official tests scheduled for today. In that case the provincial works department will give the necessary authorisation immediately, and the regular service will begin this afternoon.

The route to be operated is from the stop in front of the Teatro Lirico to the end of the broad part of the Mole, by the last wharf. The management of the company however is studying the possibility of a *Circunvalación - Muelle* service following the same route as the other round-town services, with the extension to the port.

Meanwhile transfer tickets will be issued on other trams in town to passengers intending to change on to the harbour line. The company points out that fares have been marked down below those authorised in view of the popular character of the line.

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COLD IN SPAIN

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Navalperal de Pinares stations, and also at Reinos, in the province of Santander.

The streets of Reinos are filled with snow to the level of the upper stories of the houses. Locomotives with snowploughs succeeded in forcing a way through from Reinos to Santander last night, and it is hoped that they will be able to bring back supplies of some commodities which have been exhausted.

Many villages in Santander province have only three day's supplies of food, and have adopted rationing systems. The villagers are obliged to drink snow water, and also to give it to their domestic animals, as they cannot reach their normal sources of water supply.

The Madrid observatory states the general tendency is for the weather to improve. The observatory report states however that a minimum temperature of fifteen degrees below zero is still being recorded in many places.

BELGIAN PARLIAMENT

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While the government is naturally not releasing any information on the subject, it is nevertheless known that police and troops are mobilising in Brussels in expectation of trouble next Monday, when the threatened general strike is scheduled to begin.

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lead to the signature of a general armaments convention between all the European states, including Germany and that country's former allies. That convention would permit the annulment of the fifth section of the Treaty of Versailles, by which the differential restrictions on the armaments of Germany would be automatically abolished.

Negotiations for the convention could begin immediately, provided an agreement is reached in London this week. The French press regards the acceptance of the supposed British proposals by MM. Flaminio Piccoli and Laval as very probable.

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and British Governments for supplementary information concerning the proposed pact of non-intervention in Austria, according to reliable authorities.

Foreign press reports, according to which Germany has made her adherence to the pact dependent on the participation in it of Britain and Switzerland, have however been denied in well-informed quarters. It is pointed out that there can be no question of making any such reservations or demands at the present stage of the discussions.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION

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fortunate man. Little therefore remains to be done in the way of help. The disaster is considered one of the worst in point of suffering caused ever to have been experienced in Bucharest and environs. The press and the entire countryside are aroused by it, and the explosion is the chief topic of conversation today.

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BASQUE ATLANTIC FLIGHT

BILBAO, Friday

The Biscayan aviator Señor Martínez San Vicente is planning transatlantic flight from Vitoria in the Basque province of Alava to Buenos Aires in an aeroplane which is being built for him in Retuerto works in Vizcaya.

The 10,000 kilometer flight is to be made in three stages, Vitoria-Dakar, Dakar-Natal (Brazil) and Natal-Buenos Aires. The last stage of 3,000 kilometres presents the greatest difficulty for a long time, as the slightest departure from the direct route may cause a pilot to find himself out of sight of land with his petrol exhausted.

Señor Martínez, a young man who has only four years flying experience behind him and has made no long flight, explained in an interview that his principal object was to prove that the route he has chosen is practicable for a regular passenger service. Don José María de Garay, owner of the Retuerto works, who is backing the enterprise financially, wishes to show the Vizcaya can develop an aircraft constructing industry out of the province's own resources.

The construction of the machine is already far advanced. Its two motors of 180 horsepower each give a radius of action of 5,000 kilometres, its fuel tanks have a capacity of 1,200 litres and its load weight will be 3,600 kilograms. The start of the flight is planned for July. It will coincide with the annual fiestas at Vitoria, a feature of which will be the inauguration of that city's airport.

Police Burglarize Polling Place

By United Press

NEW BEDFORD, Mass.—Police were forced to break into the Betsey Windlow School, a polling place, after the recent election, to permit voters to vote—the janitor of the school had overslept.