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ON THE ISLAND

The gentleman on the right has been harbouring a secret. He is Laurence Dundas, editor of the Daily Chronicle English page in El Dia, and if you promise not to let it go any farther, we'll tell you what his secret is. He is engaged. To be married. Absolutely! The first announcement of such a momentous event is here and



Mr. Dundas has lived in Mallorca and the neighbouring islands for three years. Most of his time during the last two years has been spent in Andraitx, but he took a trip to Ibiza last November, and there he met Mrs. Margaret Rowland White, the party of the second part.

He popped the question in June, and the marriage is to take place early in December in Palma. Mrs. White is from Hove and London. She has been in Mallorca and Ibiza two years, and now has a house in Santa Catalina, where she is living at present.

Mr. Dundas hails from Bowness, Scotland, but he has spent most of his life in the United States. When he was 18 he went to San Francisco, and in San Francisco he stayed a good many years. He read the staff of the San Francisco «Examiner» as a reporter, and then rose to the copy desk, became a rewrite man and finally Night Editor.

When Leguía was dictator of Peru and the revolution broke out there in 1930 he was sent by his paper as a foreign correspondent to cover the story.

Since then he has lived a fairly quiet life, with few riots and revolutions by way of diversion. It is rumoured here and there that he is not a strong supporter of the League of Nations. Be that as it may, The Palma Post joins the foreign colony in congratulating Mrs. White and Mr. Dundas, and wishes them every happiness.

Miss Edda Urbani, who was recently again taken into custody in Barcelona, is ill. She has been removed, we understand, to hospital, but her illness is not serious and she is expected to be well enough to leave the hospital soon.

MOTHER:—

Yet another engagement to come to light this week is that of Mrs. Muriel Forrest, who left Palma not long ago and went to Gibraltar. There she met the young man, who is a naval lieutenant. Mrs. Forrest is now in Portsmouth, and it is probable that by this time she is married—probably but not certain.

WEDDING:—

Mr. and Mrs. de Urzaiz went to Rome to be present for the wedding of Don Juan de Borbón and Doña Maria de las Mercedes de Bourbon-Sicilia. Sra. de Urzaiz, who is a familiar figure in Palma, is the former Natacha Rambova.

RETURNED:—

Mr. and Mrs. Richards are back in Mallorca once again, having returned last week. Old settlers, they go to London for the summer every year. They are now once more comfortably established in their house in Bonanova.

HEARD FROM:—

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rose have been heard from during the week. They are well and happy, and Mr. Rose is busily engaged in learning shorthand. He says that these days everyone should be able to do one thing well, and shorthand is the one thing he has picked on to do well at the moment.

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GAMBLING AT FORMENTOR ALLEGATIONS OF CORRUPTION INQUIRY STARTED

Startling revelations are expected to be made immediately as a result of the parliamentary investigation into accusations regarding the gambling enterprises conducted last year at Formentor and San Sebastián.

The game, a modified form of roulette, ran intermittently and with little publicity at Formentor until December, 1934, when it was declared illegal and stopped. The San Sebastián enterprise, conducted by the same promoter, a Dutchman named Daniel Strauss, had a similar history.

It is understood that the essential charge is that certain high state officials led Mynheer Strauss to believe that they would see to it that he might instal his roulette wheels without interference, and in return accepted large sums of money from him. The Prime Minister, Señor Chapaprieta, stated on Thursday that the matter must be cleared up quickly, as it had already affected quotations on the Stock Exchange and might have adverse effects on the Treasury.

A Parliamentary Committee of Inquiry was appointed on Tuesday to investigate the charges made in a communication to the President of the Republic. The Committee, which includes four ex-Ministers, eleven representatives of the Government bloc in Cortes and ten Opposition deputies, has since been working daily on the case.

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LATEST NEWS

MADRID, Saturday

The Committee of Inquiry into the Formentor and San Sebastián gambling allegations completed its task at 8 a.m. today, after adjourning for a rest of half an hour at 6 a.m.

The Committee's report was then handed to the chief officer of the Cortes secretariat. Its terms will not be known until it is read in the House on Monday, but the impression is that extremely severe sanctions are recommended.

EXPLOSION AT SEA ONE DEAD IN LOCAL COASTER

The Palma auxiliary coaster Cala Sant Vicens was destroyed by fire off the Catalan coast on Monday after an explosion which killed the vessel's cook, Juan Salas.

The remaining members of her crew of nine escaped injury. They are Salvador Manuel Sans, master, Juan Escandell, boatswain, Vicente Barrera, boatswain's mate, Andrés Canals and Marcos Tur, engineers and Juan Más Fiol, Miguel Costa and Pedro Baeza, seamen.

The Diesel engine of the Cala Sant Vicens exploded off Tortosa lighthouse, five miles from the shore, after the vessel had left San Fellu de Guixols for Almería. The resulting fire spread too quickly for the crew to check it, and after a while the survivors ceased their useless efforts and abandoned ship.

They arrived in their boats at the port of San Carlos in the Province of Tarragona, where they reported the fate of their vessel to the port authorities. A telegram from the latter to the Delegación Marítima here was the first news of the disaster to reach Palma on Tuesday.

The official message listed the members of the crew who had reported themselves, stating that the

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STORM OVER BANK OPENING

PROTEST BY PALMA CREDITORS

ACTION SOUGHT

The creditors of the Crédito Balear are up in arms again, this time against the proposed opening of a branch of the Banco Español de Crédito in Palma in premises adjoining the head office of the local bank in the Calle Palacio.

The Committee of the Creditors' Association met last Sunday to decide on action to meet this new development. A resolution was passed recording the opinion that the choice of site renders abundantly clear the national bank's intention of competing directly with the local concern.

The Committee decided to send a reasoned statement to the Government protesting against the opening of the branch, which it was held must necessarily harm the interests of the creditors, who depend for the payment of the 80 per cent of their claims still outstanding on the future profits earned by the Crédito Balear.

Don Jaime Enseñat, the well known Palma lawyer, was authorised to go to Madrid as the representative of the Association and take all necessary steps there.

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SOLLER SAFE FROM AIR RAIDS

Sóller, not to be outdone by Paris, London, Malta and the rest, is making preparations for protecting its civil population against air attacks.

True, no one has yet shown any disposition to drop bombs on the second most important port in Spain for that matter. Nor has anyone suggested any reason why anyone should wish to do so.

Nevertheless the townfolk of Sóller are determined not to be caught napping. So they have formed a Committee.

The Mayor, Don Miguel Colom Mayol, is Chairman of the Committee, on which the military element is represented by two retired captains, Don Pedro Sampol and Don Miguel Tomás. The other members are Don Onofre Bauzá, representing the local Red Cross

Committee, Doctor Don Mariano Rovira, physician, Don Martín Torrens, pharmacist, Don Cristóbal Trias, veterinary surgeon, and Don Alejandro Pomar, gas expert.

The Committee has already held one meeting, at Sóller Town Hall, in which it was formally constituted. The townfolk are all agog to know what their defenders will do next.

At any rate, say the *Sollerenses*, they will not have much difficulty in finding suitable places to schedule as underground refuges from hypothetical bombardments. There are caves—the Cuevas del Estudiante, for example,—the railway tunnel on the electric line to Palma and—in dry weather—the covered sections of the torrent that flows through the town—plenty of places, in fact.

ENTERTAINMENT

Teatro Lirico, Plaza Libertad, Till Sunday, November 3: Marcos Redondo repertory company.

Cine Born, Paseo del Borne. Till Wednesday: *Kid Millions* with Eddie Cantor (in English). Thursday: *The Three Bengal Lancers* with Gary Cooper, Franchot Tone, Richard Cromwell, Sir Guy Standing.

Cine Rialto, Calle San Felio. Till Wednesday: *Adorable* with Janet Gaynor (in English). Thursday *Golgota* (in Spanish).

Cine Moderno, Plaza Santa Eulalia. Till Wednesday: *The Count of Monte Cristo* with Robert Donat and Elissa Landi (in Spanish) and *Warner Bros. Review*. Thursday, *Under Pressure* with Victor McLaglen (in English) and *El es Inocente* (in Spanish).

Teatro Principal, Plaza Weyler. Till Tuesday: Victorio Podrecca's marionette show. Wednesday: *The Dictator* with Clive Brook and Nancy Carroll.

Teatro Balear, Calle Zanoguera. Till Thursday: *Oro y Plata* with Carmen Guerrero and Alfredo del Diestro (in Spanish). Thursday: *El Niño de las Monjas* (in Spanish).

Cinemas
Protectora, Calle Protectora. Closed.

Cabarets & Dancing Places
Tito's, Plaza Gomila, Terreno. Florida Dance Hall, Calle Vallori.

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

PALMA CUSTOMS HOUSE

EMBROIDERERS' CONCESSION

HARBOUR NEWS

Good news came during the week to those Mallorquins who are engaged in one of the Island's most typical and best known crafts—the embroidering and making up of linen and other fine textiles.

It was announced that the Government will henceforth allow the importation duty free and for a limited period, though the Palma Customs House, of linen and other fabrics intended to be embroidered by the nimble fingers of Mallorquin women and then re-exported. This permission was granted by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce at the instance of Señor Fons, one of the Deputies to Cortes for the Balearic Province.

The new Customs House in Palma is nearly finished. It is that large white building at the beginning of the Muelle, just before you come to the Port Authority building and the Tranmediterránea offices, both of which it resembles both in size and in general style.

The completion of the new *Aduana* will doubtless prove of considerable benefit both to local merchants and others who have business there and to the officials who have hitherto worked in the old building at the foot of the Calle Conquistador.

Mahón harbour will soon look entirely different, the so-called Isle of Rats having disappeared from its midst. The islet has been deemed a hindrance to the development of the Menorquin port as a naval base, so the islet has to go.

The *Isla de las Ratas* is to be first blown up and then dredged away. The contract for this piece of engineering, which amounts to 1,343,237,13 pesetas, will be adjudicated on November 8.

RIALTO

from October 24 to 30
Adorable
with Janet Gaynor, in English.
A Fresh Type & World News.
October 31 to November 6
Golgota
in Spanish, & World News

SHADES OF TROUBADOURS PRESENT AT PALMA LITERARY JOUST

CUSTOMS OF OLD PROVENCE REVIVED AT TEATRO PRINCIPAL

The shades of the troubadours of old Provence lingered in the Teatro Principal on Sunday, October, 20, when the *Jocs Florals* organised by the Associació per la Cultura de Mallorca were declared open at noon by the Mayor of Palma.

Don Agustín Calvet, Director of *La Vanguardia*, who is better known in Spanish letters by his pen-name of Gaziel, acted as *mantenedor* of the feast, which, as its name implies, is a revival of the poetical tourneys held in the Middle Ages at the courts of Provence, Catalonia and Mallorca. Another distinguished visitor was Don Lorenzo Ribes, Member of the Spanish Academy and *Mestre en Gay Saber*.

After the opening speeches the Secretary of the Judging Committee announced that the *Flor Natural*, which is the highest award in such literary jousts, had been awarded to the poem «Els Camins de l'Amor», presented under the lema «Dum Fata sinunt iungamus amores». The envelope bearing that inscription was accordingly opened, and found to contain the name of Don Guillermo Colom.

Señor Colom then exercised his privilege as winning poet of choosing the Queen of the Festival. He chose Señorita María de la Gracia Salvá y Font, and led her to the throne guarded by the City's mace bearers.

When the Queen had taken her seat and the applause that greeted her had died down, Señor Colom's prize poem was read. The Secretary then went ahead with the list of awards, the same procedure of separate envelopes for poem and name, linked by the lema, being followed in each case. The *Eglantina d'Or* was awarded

to «El Bosc Profanat» by Don Miguel Forteza, who had hidden his identity behind the lema «Et ton bois ne sente jamais la flamme sacrilège» (Ronsard). Father Don Rafael Ginard Bauzá won the *Viola d'Or i Argent*, offered by the Bishop of Palma for the best religious poem.

After all the poets had been duly honoured and a considerable proportion of their works read, the maintainer of the feast closed the proceedings with a suitable and topical discourse. Señor Calvet, after congratulating the poets, expressing his love for Mallorca and thanking the Queen of the Festival, declared his conviction that there was no madness involved in holding a literary contest while the world was humming with rumours of war.

«Mallorquines,» said the editor of *La Vanguardia*, «our feast of poesy is an affirmation of peace in the very heart of the Mediterranean. Let us celebrate it with a light of civilisation against the warcloud which is trying to overshadow the world.

«There is no reason at all why men should kill each other, why war should stain the world with blood afresh, or why Spain should cease to be pacifist.

«Farewell, Mallorquines. Let us close this festival with the conviction that the greatest victories are those which the spirit wins by making life more beautiful and purer every day.»

Loud applause greeted Señor Calvet's peroration, the same tribute being accorded the prizewinning poets as they received their trophies from the Queen of the Festival and to the Queen herself when she left her temporary throne on the arm of the Mayor. The *Jocs Florals* ended at 2:30 p.m.

CAVES OF DRACH CONCERTS

TRIP THROUGH NEW SECTION

DRAGON ABSENT

Two of the famous concerts which are given on Lake Martel, the Caves of the Drach have been arranged for this week.

They will take place on Monday, October 28 and Wednesday, October 30. Special excursions are being run from Palma on these days.

Visitors to the caves on these days will be able to visit the part of the Caves, which is known as the Cueva de los Franceses in honour of its explorers, M. Mariá and his companions. This section has recently been provided with electric lighting, designed and installed by the local engineer Señor Buigas and completing the installation already existing in the part of the Caves originally open to the public.

After making the round of the Caves the excursionists will see the aquatic concert and witness the artificial «dawn» produced by the under-water lighting system. A boat trip on the lake among stalactites and pillars that descend into it will be the climax of the visit.

The neighbouring Cuevas de Hams will also be open to visitors on Monday and Wednesday.

The programme of Monday's concert opens with «Evocación» by Piña Tarongi, followed by a Mendelssohn «Romanza», a selection from Tannhauser and «Voce di Angelo» by L. Kron. It concludes with the «Barcarolle» from Mendelssohn's «Chanson» and «Printemps» will begin Wednesday's concert. It will be followed by Grieg's «Death of Ase», «Oh Nuit» by Offenbach, and more the Jeos «Barcarolle».

No mention is made in the announcements of the Dragon whom the Caves take their name. It is generally believed that he died some time ago. At any rate none of the explorers who ventured into its depths before the days of electric light and organised excursions ever reported meeting him, and there are those who have even gone so far as to doubt whether he ever existed.

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Oct. 24 to 30 - W. BROS. REVUE
The Count of Monte Cristo
October 31 to November 3
Under Pressure
with Victor Maclaglen, in English
& *El Es Inocente*, in Spanish

SALON RIALTO

October 31 to November 6

GOLGOTA

A UFA Film and Fox World News
(In Spanish).

CINE BORN

October 24 to 30 - EDDIE CANTOR in

KID MILLIONS

in English - October 31 to 6

The Three Bengal Lancers
with Gary Cooper-Franchot Tone-Richard Cromwell

PRISON WARDER MURDERED SHOT AT DOOR OF HOME

BYSTANDER KILLED

The Barcelona police are looking for three men who shot dead Moreno, warder at the Prisons Cellular in that city, and José Rico, shoemaker, and severely wounded Juan Rodríguez Fresco, also a warder at the same prison on Monday.

The shooting took place outside number 67, Calle de Aragón, where Señores Moreno and Rodríguez and a third warder were living. José Rico was passing at the time, and was killed by a stray bullet.

A taxi drew up outside the house at 8:30 p.m., the hour at which the warders were accustomed to return home after their turn of duty. When they arrived three men stepped out of the cab and fired at them pointblank with pistols.

Warders Rodríguez and Moreno and the shoemaker fell, all of them fatally wounded. The two first-named died almost instantly.

The third prison officer, who was unhurt, tried to return the shots, but his pistol stuck as he fired it. Seeing him apparently ready to use his weapon the attackers fled in the taxi, while he followed after it vainly shouting for the police.

There were two eye-witnesses of the attack, one of them a fourteen-year-old boy. The other, a man who is somewhat deaf, said that he heard the shots and thought that they were fireworks until he saw people running and then jumping into the taxi.

The cab had been stolen at 7 p.m. the same day, and the theft reported at once by its driver. The chief of police immediately concluded that it had been taken to commit a murder or armed robbery and set all police cars in the City searching for it, but without result.

The taximan told the police that two men hired his car at the corner of the Calles de París and de Aragón. He drove them to Pedralbes. There they produced pistols and made him hand over his cap and overall and get inside the car, which one of them drove out to the foot of the funicular railway at Vallvidrera, where they left him.

He described his passengers, both of whom were men apparently of about 35, of middle height, looking like workmen and wearing dark grey clothes.

Warder Rodríguez was reported to be still in a serious condition after a blood transfusion at the Hospital Clínico. The body of Warder Moreno was sent to Madrid for burial on Wednesday after an impressive funeral ceremony in Barcelona.

SUNKEN GALLEONS KEEPING TREASURE IN SPAIN

The enterprise of raising from the bottom of Vigo Bay the treasure of the galleons sunk to escape capture by the British and Dutch in 1702 is nearing realisation.

The Committee formed for the purpose of backing the plan announced during the week, through the Spanish press, that a company will shortly be formed to exploit the concession granted to Don Manuel Moxó, a Spanish engineer who has devised a novel means of exploring wrecks.

The manifesto declares that the enterprise is regarded rather as a patriotic duty than as a business, and therefore capital is to be sought in many small subscriptions rather than a few large ones. Shares are offered for as little as 100 pesetas, half paid up, and will be allotted in the order that the applications are received at the office of the Patronato de los Galeones de Vigo in Madrid.

«The galleons of the richest fleet that ever came from the Indies», declares the manifesto, «were sunk by order of the Spanish Admiral (Don Manuel de Velasco) to prevent their being carried off by the enemy. They have lain under the waters of Vigo Bay since 1702.

«Many have been the times that foreigners have tried to recover them, and always, as now, the attention of the world has been fixed upon them.

«The pledge that the Spanish Admiral entrusted to the sea must be redeemed by Spain, and the riches that came from the Indies ought not to leave our country. Here is a work worthy of the greatness of Spain, to the realisation of which all who feel great ideals and have the desire for Spain to rise in their hearts should contribute.

«All the historical antecedents which assure the existence of a treasure have been profoundly and seriously studied. There exists a project, due to Spanish technique, which is known to and approved by some of the most distinguished Spanish engineers.»

Señor Moxó believes that his plan will succeed because it is designed to overcome the chief difficulty that has frustrated all attempts to recover the treasure, estimated at 82,500,000 pesetas in silver alone, which went down into the mud of the Ensenada de San Simón after Admiral Rooke's ships broke through the boom laid across the Rande narrows.

The difficulty is the hard crust of mud and seashells which has formed over the wrecks, and which has defeated the attempts of previous divers to break through it. Señor Moxó has designed an apparatus consisting of a modification of the caissons used for laying bridge foundations in rivers, which will enable divers to descend through an airlock and bring mechanical tools to bear on their task.

BARCELONA TO BE SILENT CITY CARS MUST HOOT IN UNISON

VOTERS' RUSH

From November 1, Barcelona will be, legally at least, a silent city.

No longer will the knife-grinder announce his presence with an earsplitting and nerve-wrecking screech produced by holding a strip of metal against his revolving stone. No longer will the «old clo» man bawl his traditional cry. Nor will the dustman blow his little brass trumpet to warn flat-dwellers to bring their full dustbins down to the ground floor, except when he comes to a house which has no *portera*.

All those practices are forbidden by municipal ordinances recently enacted by the City's traffic and urban police department. All the ordinances come into force on November 1, and the head of the department has announced that they will be enforced with the maximum rigour.

One of the measures taken by the municipality of Barcelona in its war against noise has been the establishment of a special acoustic laboratory staffed by experts whose task is to seek ways and means of eliminating unnecessary urban noises. This laboratory has just announced that a model of the regulation motor horn is on view to motorists there.

The model horn is recommended as the surest means of complying with the City regulations on that point. Nevertheless, other horns are permitted, but they must all be tuned to the note of B natural, so that the thousands of taxis, buses and private cars in Spain's largest city will henceforth toot in unison, without any of the discords which, while they might please the ear of an ultra-modernist composer, shock the musical susceptibilities of City Hall.

Apart from the approaching hush, the chief preoccupation of the Barcelona citizen these days is his elector's card. The office set up for the purpose in a sort of kiosk in the Plaza de Cataluña received 600 applications for that important document in one day last week, and the various offices are receiving altogether about 12,000 a day.

Others are pouring in through the political parties—all of them, for the Catalan Left, which at first opposed this novel means of identifying voters, has decided that it is better to cooperate than to disenfranchise its supporters. No check has yet been made of the number of applications sent in in this way.

The *carnet electoral*, which is a complete innovation in Spanish politics, is expected to do away with the «cemetery vote» and prevent voters arriving at the booths only to discover that they have already voted by self-appointed

NEWS IN PALMA MONDAY PAPER POSSIBLE

Palma may be allowed to read the news on Monday mornings.

The Home Office in Madrid has telegraphed to H. E. the Civil Governor authorising him to permit the publication of an «Hoja Oficial del Lunes», such as is published in Madrid, Barcelona and many other Spanish cities. Such papers, as their name implies, are official news sheets giving the cream of the latest news free from comment and appearing on the one day in the week on which daily papers are prevented from appearing by the Sunday rest law.

The telegram explains that the Ministry's action is due to numerous requests from journalists asking for the establishment of an Hoja Oficial in their respective provinces. It is also based on consideration of «the need to harmonise the legislation on the Sunday rest of the Press with the desire of the public to know such news as by its special interest does not allow of delay.»

The first condition laid down for the granting of permission is that the application must be made by the local Press Association or other professional society or by a state, provincial or municipal beneficent institution. Only such bodies may be authorised to publish an Hoja Oficial.

It is likewise provided that the provincial delegate of the Ministry of Labour must report on the proposal to the Governor before any decision is taken, in order to ensure that no breach of the labour laws is involved. His Excellency is likewise instructed to see that the legislation affecting such papers is carefully observed, particularly as regards the staff employed and the sharing of profits.

It is not yet known whether local newspaper men and other interests intend to take advantage of the opportunity created by the Home Office order. Palma is less urgently in need of a Monday morning paper than other Spanish towns, since it possesses both an evening paper and one appearing at midday, both of which are able to publish Monday editions without working on Sunday.

The national Government has already decided to follow the example of the Catalan Generalidad, and is believed to be waiting to watch the working of the system in the coming Catalan municipal elections before deciding on the details of its own scheme.

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LATEST WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Saturday

Parliament was dissolved by the King yesterday.

The concluding business of this, the eighth Parliament of the present reign, was a three day debate in both Houses on the international situation. This debate is widely held to have fulfilled a valuable purpose in demonstrating the unmistakably essential unity of all parties in support of the Government's policy in the present crisis, with its twofold aim of upholding the League Covenant and restoring peace by an agreed settlement.

The newspapers here contain messages from correspondents in Paris regarding the diplomatic exchanges which are understood to have taken place between Paris and Rome with a view to discovering a basis for renewed efforts at conciliation. In this connection, while recalling the hope expressed by Sir Samuel Hoare on Tuesday that the breathing space before economic sanctions are applied might be used to secure a settlement, commentators note the emphatic statement which Sir John Simon made, at the request, he

said, of the Foreign Secretary, when he wound up the debate for the Government on Thursday night.

Referring to the suggestion in the press that «we are already negotiating behind the back of the League with France and with Italy a settlement of the Italo-Abyssinian dispute which the League would be asked to accept and to which Abyssinia would be told to agree.» Sir John said; «I speak with the authority of the whole Government when I say that there is no truth in this wild accusation at all. From the very beginning of the dispute the policy of the Government has been directed towards promoting that which would not only lie within the Covenant but would be acceptable to the two disputing parties.»

LONDON, Saturday

Nothing has transpired in the Franco-Italian exchanges in the past forty-eight hours to support the hope of an eleventh hour settlement of the Ethiopian dispute, according to the «Daily Telegraph». Responsible British opinion feels that nothing can postpone further the unpleasant duty of the League of Nations, following the condemnation of Italy as the aggressor.

The Sanctions Committee will now be convened and fix a date for economic pressure on Italy. Meanwhile twenty-nine nations are applying financial sanctions. All are required to do so by Monday.

ROME, Saturday

Rumours that the Holy See is

exercising its influence in favour of a peaceful settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute are vigorously denied in a statement published here yesterday by the news bulletin *La Correspondenza*, which claims to be authorised by Vatican circles to issue the denial.

ADDIS ABBABA, Saturday

Some 50,000 troops from the provinces of Kafa and Wollega have been marching through Addis Abbaba on their way to the front uninterruptedly since Thursday.

These troops are commanded by the Governor of Kafa, Ras Getatschu Abate, former Ethiopian Minister in Paris and Delegate in Geneva. He is the son of the late Ras Abate, who distinguished himself at the battle of Adowa thirty-nine years ago.

The Italian Minister, Count Vinci, left here by rail for Djibouti this morning, accompanied by the Italian Military Attaché, Colonel Calderini.

The departure was not marked by any incident of any kind. A great crowd had gathered at the railway station, including many foreign journalists and camera-

ARMISTICE DAY

The commemoration service for Armistice Day in Barcelona will be held at St. George's Church, Calle Rosellón, esq. Claris, on Monday, November 11. The service will begin at 10.45 a.m. promptly.

Flanders poppies will be on sale several days before Armistice Day and all are requested to give generously for their poppy in aid of Earl Haig's Fund.

The dinner for Ex-Service men in Barcelona will be given at the Continental Hotel, Rambla Canaletas, 8, on November 11 at 8.30 p.m. All who served in H.M. armed forces during the Great War, whether residents or visitors to Barcelona, are invited. It is hoped that there will be a record attendance.

Tickets, 12.50 ptas. each, inclusive of wine or beer, coffee, etc. are now on sale, and it will greatly assist the organisers in ensuring the best possible services and other arrangements if all who intend to be present purchase their tickets beforehand.

Tickets can be obtained from the following: British Consulate General, Diputación, 250; Mr. J.H. Roberts, Gran Via Layetana, 6; Mr. J. Thomson, Anglo-South American Bank; Mr. H.G. Dennes, Riegos y Fuerza del Ebro; Mr. R.J. Webb, Riegos y Fuerza del Ebro and at the British Club, Plaza Urquinaona, N.º 3.

men. Disappointment however awaited them since the Minister and Attaché arrived not at the station but at the Customs House, in a closed carriage surrounded by a strong detachment of the Imperial Guard.

ROME, Saturday

A war communiqué issued here states that the advance on the Somaliland front continues in the Shillawe sector, several villages on the banks of the river Shibeli having been occupied, while Kalafo, capital of the district, was captured after a short engagement.

NAPLES, Saturday

The steamer Sannio sailed yesterday for Libya to bring home the first contingent of the division of Italian troops which has been recalled to Italy.

ROME, Saturday

General disappointment is expressed here that in spite of Signor Mussolini's decision to withdraw a division of troops from Libya nothing official has yet been heard concerning the movements of the British fleet in the Mediterranean.

LOS ANGELES, Saturday

A fresh outbreak of forest fires is again threatening Malibu Beach, where the homes of many film stars are located. The fire-fighters are being reinforced from surrounding counties, while earthquake tremours are adding a fresh terror.

The house of the British actor

Lionel Atwill at Malibu Beach, valued at \$40,000, was completely destroyed. The damage for the past four days is estimated at \$9,500,000, including \$4,000,000 worth of crops and \$2,000,000 worth of private property.

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TOURNEY

Few of the foreign colony were
 aware last Sunday that an inter-
 national and in these times un-
 usual custom was being perpetuated
 in Palma. On that date the As-
 sociació per la Cultura de Mallor-
 ca awarded the prizes won in the
 Jocs Florals.

To whom the prizes were award-
 ed and how this revival of the
 literary tourneys of the Middle
 Ages was conducted is reported in
 our columns of this issue. What
 we are concerned with here is the
 significance of the event.

In these days when the minds
 of newspapers of Europe are fill-
 ed with tidings and reports of
 war, it is a hopeful sign that so-
 where at least a thought is be-
 given to peace and beauty for
 their own sakes alone.

There is nothing political about
 the festival of the Jocs Florals. No
 propaganda for anyone is invol-
 ved. There is no commercial gain,
 and the prizes are far from val-
 uable.

But despite this the festival is
 enthusiastically supported. The
 entries this year were numerous
 and exceeded the expectations of
 the committee. There are on this
 island of calm enough poets and lo-
 vers of poetry to support a com-
 petition and a gathering such as
 this solely for the love of it, and
 possibly for the fleeting glory in-
 volved.

Most significant was the closing
 address of the festival by Señor
 Olivet, editor of *La Vanguardia*.
 "Mallorquines," he said, "our feast
 of poetry is an affirmation of peace
 in the very heart of the Medi-
 terranean.... There is no reason at
 all why men should kill each
 other, why war should stain the
 world with blood afresh, or why
 pain should cease to be paci-
 fic."

Let us close this festival with
 the conviction that the greatest
 victories are those which the spi-
 rit wins by making life more beau-
 tiful and purer in every way.

Such is the preponderant feel-
 ing among Mallorquines. It is need-
 ed in this world of stress and strif-

Out Of My Head

by HARRY GALLAND

Is there anybody who would like
 some old London York paving
 stone? On second thought, can
 you afford to be without a few pav-
 ing stones? Do you realize that
 your life is really empty without
 them? Is it possible that—

Well, all right. If you are con-
 vinced already and will stop your
 clamouring for a moment, I'll tell
 you where you can get some really
 fine specimens. Just 'phone for
 particulars, Chiswick 3358. London,
 of course.

In case there are any doubters
 who cannot believe that such a
 remarkable opportunity to obtain
 real old London York paving stones
 actually exists, the good news
 can be authenticated by a glance
 at the front page of *The Daily Té-
 legraph* of last Monday, and the
 agony column thereon.

As a matter of fact, and as a
 special tip, the column is worth
 more than a mere glance. Besides
 the information that old London
 York paving stones are for sale
 and particulars may be had for
 the trouble (and from this part of
 the world, expense) of telephon-
 ing, there is other information of
 equal value.

For instance, consider this ad,
 which is presented herewith as it
 appeared in *The Telegraph*:

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 Title, with their Wives; Honours
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Now there, obviously, is some-
 thing. Thirty thousand lives, all
 apparently in rhyme. All the poetic
 details about each man's pon-
 dage in the bank, his wife (pro-
 bably in sonnet form) and his
 heirs, together with detailed in-
 formation on how and why they
 are falling out or have fallen out.
 Unless, of course, I am being led
 astray, and it merely means that
 Kelly's advertising copywriter has
 gone poesy all by himself, with a
 mild attack of hysteria on the
 side.

Biography is always interesting
 reading, whether poetry or prose.
 But most interesting to the aver-
 age person is a biography of him-
 self.

Thus, if Mr. Kelly would like to
 make a lot of money, and it is a
 fairly safe bet that he does, he
 will fill my order and the flood of
 others like it that will undoubtedly
 flow in soon afterwards. Here
 you are, Mr. Kelly:

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by Bibliófilo

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 Linklater. *The Albatross Modern
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* * *

If it were possible for me to gi-
 ve a copy of this book to every
 friend of mine I really liked and
 whom I wanted to share the good
 things of life, I would buy out the
 available supply of copies and
 spread them broadcast.

Without foaming at the mouth
 and going completely off the
 handle, it should be said at the
 outset that if you have any sense
 of humour, if you are interested
 in satire of the highest order
 which is not malicious, and if you
 like a rattling good, funny novel—
 don't on any account miss read-
 ing «Juan In America.»

Juan is a young, resourceful,
 wideawake Englishman who goes
 to America to see the country. He
 sees it and becomes involved in
 its many-sided life. Not only is he
 an observer, but he is also an ac-
 tive and intelligent participant.

And in each aspect of the life of
 the country he is visiting he takes
 a most active and intelligent part.

He goes to college. The college
 is not given an actual name, but
 to any American it is fairly recog-
 nizable. He becomes involved in
 football, and a most important
 game of that important part of col-
 lege life causes his downfall at
 the college.

He meets the politicians in
 Washington, the gangsters in Chi-
 cago, the bootleggers in Detroit,
 the Hollywood movie world, the
 'po'-white trash of the Mississippi
 delta, the cowboys of the West. He
 ranges from one section of the
 country to another quite plausibly
 and without narrative strain.

American institutions are all,
 more or less, thus satirized, but
 in a new and humorous manner
 and entirely without malicious-
 ness. The characters he meets are
 memorable and delightful. Olympia
 the trapeze artiste and acrobat
 in small-time vaudeville, for in-
 stance, stands out long after you



By easy stages he roams from
 one end of the country to the
 other, with typical adventures all
 the way. Each section of the coun-
 try, each person he encounters in
 his American travels is a recog-
 nizable type, and is hilariously sa-
 tirized.

The book starts off with an im-
 pressive but tongue-in-cheek Fa-
 mily Tree and Prologue, which the
 reader is advised to skip. Natu-
 rally, each and every reader reads
 it—and gets into the mood of the
 book at the outset.

Juan lands in America at New
 York, and is immediately plunged
 into American life. Hardly does he
 set foot on the New York pave-
 ments when he sees his first New
 York suicide come hurtling down
 from the Woolworth building, and
 in the crowd which immediately
 gathers he makes his first Amer-
 ican friend.

From that point on things move
 fast, with a laugh and more on
 every page. A suicide is not fun-
 ny? True, but it is used merely as
 the jumping off point for Juan's
 introduction to America and its
 nervous pace that kills—according
 to the popular idea.

With a plausible reason for every
 step, Juan moves from typical
 facet to typical facet of American
 life, seriously, calmly, jauntily.

have closed the book—stands out
 in your memory and causes those
 lunatic chuckles which bystanders
 are sure mean that you are head-
 ed for a strait-jacket. But if the
 bystanders had met Olympia and
 the others, they'd be chuckling
 too for no apparent reason when-
 ever they thought of her, so don't
 worry.

Mr. Linklater very obviously
 knows his United States and
 American types from first-hand
 observation, not from headlines
 and captions in the London pa-
 pers. But more than that, he has
 also obviously enjoyed writing this
 long book of 409 pages. Almost to
 the end he keeps up the pace, and
 the pace is swift. If there is a
 slight letdown in the Hollywood
 section, which is the last, it does
 not greatly matter.

Several books have been writ-
 ten by Eric Linklater, but «Juan
 In America» is head and should-
 ers above anything he has written
 before or since. Never mind if he
 cannot repeat this keen-sighted,
 cleverly written satire on the life
 and mores of those United States.
 He has done a superb job once,
 and that is enough. If you miss
 reading and enjoying it, that is
 your fault, and if you read it and
 don't like—I'll eat my last year's
 hat.

BY HOOK OR BY CROOK

*The King has approved the ap-
 pointment, to take effect early in
 April, 1936, of General Sir Cyril J.
 Deverell to be Chief of the Impe-
 rial General Staff in succession to
 Field-Marshal Sir Archibald Alger-
 non Montgomery-Massingberd.* —
The Palma Post, Oct. 20.

Deep, nay, inspissated was the
 gloom which the above item, whi-
 tehot from the wires, shed over
 the desk where El Ganchero crou-
 ched behind his faithful type-
 writer. For was it not that fine old
 English name, that impressive
 verbal cataract which forms the
 heartrending climax of that tragic
 paragraph, which inspired me to
 verse but a few short months ago?

It was. If I remember correctly,
 the lines were somewhat thus:

The Chief of the Imperial Ge-
 neral Staff—

Don't laugh—

Is Sir Archibald Algernon
 Montgomery Hyphen Massing-
 berd—

You heard.

And now, *Eheu fugaces* and like-
 wise Ichabod. The glory has de-
 parted. No longer shall we thrill
 to the sound of that impressive...

Office Nuisance. — «You said
 that before.»

Me.—«So what? Why shouldn't
 I?»

O. N.—«Well, you don't want to
 say it again.»

Me.—«No?»

O. N.—«No. Besides, what are
 you getting all worked up about?
 Nothing's going to happen till
 April.»

Me.—«Beat it.»

O. N.—«What?»

Me.—«Beat it. Scram. Absquat-
 late. Vanish. Get out of—BOY!
 Hand me over that dictionary...
 No, the big one...»

(Hurried departure of O. N.)

Well now, where was I? Oh yes.
 In view of the lamentable state
 of affairs which I was properly
 keening over when that idiot in-
 terrupted, I have no option but to
 unleash on my unsuspecting pu-
 blic the latest production of my
 Muse. A lament, no less. It goes
 to the mournful skirling of Mal-
 lorquin bagpipes, helped out with
 several knife-grinders (off) rub-
 bing strips of metal across the
 grindstone in the quaint way they
 have to produce the characteristic
 screech.

Keep your seats, everyone, it's
 soon over, as the dentist said:

Field-Marshal Sir Archibald Al-
 gernon Montgomery Hyphen Mas-
 singberd

Has got the bird.

His successor should have been
 not one General Sir Cyril J. De-
 verell

But severell.

El Ganchero

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ON THE ISLAND

By *The Wayfarer*

(Continued from page 1)

HILARIOUS:—

A hilarious party, according to all reports, was that given last Sunday night by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Esten at their home on the Calle de los Baños. Among those who joined in the merriment were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Briery, Miss Jill Solomon, Mr. Kenneth Craven, Miss Lennox, Mrs. Canaval, Mr. Henri Canaval, Miss Nita Dreilberg, and a mysterious person whose name seems to be Letty—last name unfindoutable. Most of the guests later went on to Tito's, where they encountered Commander and Mrs. Harry Green and Major Charles Gilson. In the early hours the couples were sorted out and made their various ways home, but not until the early hours.

RECUPERATION:—

What was described as a recuperation party following the one reported above was given on Monday at the Chalfont House in Terreno, most of the participants in Sunday night's being present. The second party wound up with toasts to Miss Gladys Lennox, who left for Barcelona and England the same evening.

FIRST:—

Mrs. Peter Owen's sister arrived on Friday. This is her first visit to Mallorca, but we hope it won't be her last.

INTERIOR:—

Mrs. Pauline Leser is busily engaged in interior-decorating a house at Formentor, having laid aside for the moment the cares of her shop in Terreno and its Formentor branch.

MYSTERY:—

The Odd Facts Investigation Department of The Post is working on the mystery (if such it is)

of José Canals Caní. Señor Canals was born in Barcelona. He is, according to his own statement, a *pescaador* by way of occupation. He left Palma on the Oronsay last week, his destination being Melbourne—and according to the passenger list he lives in Melbourne. You figure it out!

PARTY:—

On Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. James Stuart McMunn gave a party at their home in the Calle 14 de Abril, Terreno, in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Ahto Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter arrived in their yacht Zenita II last week from Marseilles. Zenita II formerly belonged to Sherman Finch of St. Paul, Minn., and was laid up here last year. She was delivered to her owners in Marseilles by Capt. J. A. V. Cook, who is again busy with Zenita, since Mr. and Mrs. Walter expect to leave in her as soon as she is shipshape and all supplies are stowed. They will sail, probably next week, for Gibraltar and the United States. It will be Mr. Walter's sixth trip across the Atlantic in a yacht.

LATE:—

The American Export liner Exochorda was a little late this week. She landed her eleven passengers from New York, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Noble Clay, at 3 a.m. Saturday morning, instead of 12 p.m. on Friday according to schedule. The line's agents here say that the number of passengers disembarking at Palma on this trip was the largest in two years.

SHOP:—

Miss Gladys Vernon, who is well remembered here for her delightful songs in many languages which she played to the accompaniment of her ukelele, is coming back to Palma soon. She is planning to open a hat shop, probably in Terreno.

BOTTLES:—

Our breathless courier from Cala Ratjada sauntered up this week to inform us languidly that they are using hot beer bottles, or beer bottles filled with hot water, to put in bed for to warm their toes in the Cala during these cold nights. Our courier wouldn't give any names, but he swears it's true.

HORSES:—

Mr Francis D. Steen, who raced his two Calumet Kentucky horses on the local track for some time before taking them to Germany a few weeks ago, is now in Sweden, in Stockholm to be exact. So are the horses. Strangely enough, the sister of one horse and the brother of the other turned up one day, and there was a happy family reunion. Mr. Steen felt rather out of it. From Sweden, after a period of racing, the stable will proceed to Denmark to match paces with the local Danish trotters.

WANDERER:—

A restless wanderer is returning soon, although he failed to put in an appearance on the day this week when he said he would be here. Mr. Kevin Kavanagh is the wanderer, and he was due on Wednesday. Maybe he meant next Wednesday, but he didn't say so. He now has, he says, a new joke, and is bringing it with him.

TRAINING:—

When the Augustus brought its load of Italian tourists to Palma on Tuesday, the train to which they transferred stopped at the shore end of the *muelle*. The railway agent remarked «We keep the train down here so they can walk to get in training.» For, if we may ask, what?

SOONER:—

Mrs. Pamela de Prizer's daughter, Mrs. Phillip Hedges, expected

to be present last Sunday at Don Lorenzo Roses party on his country estate. She missed it, however, since she was called away and had to leave sooner than she thought would be necessary, on Saturday night's boat for Barcelona.

LIST:—

The most recent addition to the sick list is Mr. Henry Havelock-Clark's dog, which is suffering from the rheumatiz. It isn't the weather. Old age is having its effect, but the vet is doing what he can.

THERE & HERE:—

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Akerbladt were in town on Friday for a shopping trip. They are leaving next Friday on the Alicante boat for Valencia, and will go from there to Granada, where they expect to remain with their daughter Mayr for several months.

Mrs. Lindeman is moving from her house in Bonanova to the Grand Hotel on the first of November. Mrs. Lindeman's young daughter is attending Miss Flood's school, and her sister, Mrs. Killi, is returning soon to Germany.

Miss Erica Beric has returned to Cala Ratjada.

Mrs. Joan Malcolm's daughter is suffering from an appendicitis.

TWO YEARS AGO:—

(From the Social Notes in The Palma Post.)

Colonel Clifford B. Harmon was host Thursday night at a late dinner to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lockwood, Mr. Roderick Mead, Mr. Rutherford Fullerton and Mr. Walter Blodgett.

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It was reported in error that Mrs. Brassey Gottlieb is stopping temporarily on the Island to obtain her winter clothes from a well known Terreno shop before joining her husband who is connected with the civil service at Khartum, Egypt.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richards of Bonanova are moving into their new home next to Son Semola on Wednesday.

* * *

Mrs. Constance Lowry was host for dinner Thursday night to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newhall, Mr. and Mrs. Talcott Camp, Mr. and Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Gilmore Hadra, Mr. Owen and Mrs. Twist.

SHOPPING GUIDE

MADELEINE & RINA, Plaza Gomila, Terreno. This *maison de couture* is busily preparing for a winter fashion show. There are some surprises in their collection of evening dresses, including models with soft flowing drapery which fall to the ground in a simple Grecian effect. They also have some charming hats, some of which are military casques finished with feathers, and close-fitting chic little Grecian toques.

CASA GERMAINE, Calle 14 de Abril, 26, Terreno. This shop promises to have the most varied and largest display of flowers in town for the coming season. At present they have little souvenirs of Mallorca in the form of hand-made glass bottles in all sizes filled with perfumes. The bottles are of interesting native designs, in light and dark greens and yellows.

BORDADOS NELL, Borne, Palma. This shop, which is as well known on the mainland as in Mallorca for its artistic designs in hand-make native embroidery, has just reopened. Cigarette cases in black and white bull's hide are the latest novelties of this house.

ENGLISH - AMERICAN CAKE SHOP & TEA ROOM, Calle Pelaires, Palma. In preparation for the winter season the proprietors are offering delicious scones and fudge, just right to add the finishing touch to intimate teas at home. The Cake Shop makes deliveries, and takes orders by telephone.

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Palma-Gibraltar-London arrives and leaves Palma: November 28, S. S. DURHAM CASTLE.

Palma-Toulon-Naples-Port Said arrives and leaves Palma: October 31, S. S. ORFORD. November 14, S. S. ORAMA.

Palma-Gibraltar-Plymouth-London arrives and leaves Palma: November 30, S. S. OTRANTO.

Palma-Marseilles-Port Said-Port Sudan arrives and leaves Palma: November 8, S. S. BURMA. November 22, S. S. YOMA.

Palma-Gibraltar-U. K. arrives and leaves Palma: November 1, S. S. CHINDWIN. November 15, S. S. KEMMENDINE. November 30, S. S. BHAMO.

Palma-Barcelona-Genoa-Port Said arrives and leaves Palma: November 16, S. S. POTSDAM.

Palma-Málaga-Ceuta-Lisbon-Southampton arrives and leaves Palma: October 28, S. S. USAMBARA.

Palma-Marseilles-Naples-Alexandria arrives and leaves Palma: November 3, S. S. EXCALIBUR. November 22, S. S. EXETER.

Palma-Málaga-Boston-New York arrives and leaves Palma: November 1, S. S. EXCAMBION. November 15, S. S. EXORCHORDA. November 29, S. S. EXCALIBUR.

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STORM OVER BANK OPENING

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Señor Enseñat has acted as the legal representative of the creditors since the Crédito Balear temporarily suspended payments last year.

It was further decided to appeal to the local authorities, societies of all kinds, individual creditors and their sympathisers to send the largest possible number of protest telegrams to the Prime Minister, Finance Minister, Governor of the Bank of Spain and President of the Banking Consortium.

Finally, the Committee approved the text of a protest and statement of the facts, which has been sent to the President of the Consortium. It is signed by Don Bartolomé Ferrer and Don Mateo Zaforteza as President and Secretary respectively of the Association.

The statement begins by recalling the history of the suspension of payments, the settlement which allowed the Crédito Balear to resume business, and the parts played in achieving that result by the President of the Banking Consortium himself, the Bank of Spain and the other mainland banks which subscribed the new capital necessary to put the local firm on its feet.

«The Banco Español de Crédito,» continues the exposition, «not only refused to be one of those banks, but also disagreed with the solution and performed acts which we wish to consider inspired by the best of good faith, but which if successful would have caused the ruin of the Crédito Balear.»

It is further recalled that when the bankers who came to the res-

EXPLOSION AT SEA

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cook was missing. A later message to the Naviera Mallorquina shipping company, owners of the Cala Sant Vicens, confirmed the news and added that Juan Salas had perished in the explosion.

The Naviera Mallorquina owns a considerable fleet of small sailing craft with Diesel engines, mostly schooners, which ply between Palma and other western Mediterranean ports with freight. The Cala Sant Vicens, which was built sixteen years ago and displaced 300 tons, was a familiar sight in Palma harbour.

The Comité de Crédito visited Palma, they were confronted with a banner announcing the future opening of a branch of the Banco Español de Crédito, hung across the façade of a building on the Borne. This banner had been placed in position only a few hours before, though the coming visit had been announced well in advance and the building in question would not be ready for occupation for some three months.

Finally, the Committee informs the President of the Consortium of the latest development, pointing out that the premises on the Borne are still to let and therefore the intention of the Banco Español de Crédito is evidently «to compete with the Crédito Balear, taking advantage of the evident inequality of conditions.»

The Committee of the Creditors' Association therefore asks the President of the Banking Consortium to prevent the wrecking of «the immense task which has been completed.»

GAMBLING AT FORMENTOR

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The accusation reached President Alcalá Zamora in the form of a registered packet sent from The Hague. It contained an unsigned statement containing the charges and consisting of thirty large typewritten sheets, a signed letter, a photograph and sundry other documents.

As the matter did not fall within the scope of the President's official functions, he passed it on to the Premier, Señor Chapaprieta, after placing the documents before the Cabinet, handed them to the Public Prosecutor to examine them and report on whatever judicial action might be necessary.

On Tuesday, however, several deputies raised the matter in Cortes and insisted that the charges must come before the House. After a detailed statement from the Premier and a somewhat stormy debate, the Committee of Inquiry was appointed.

The first two sessions of the Committee were devoted entirely to reading the voluminous mass of material provided by the anonymous accuser and sent to the Chairman of the Committee, Señor Arranz, by Señor Salmón, Minister of Justice. The first session lasted from 5:30 p.m. till 10 p.m. on Wednesday and the second from 11 p.m. on Wednesday till 2:15 a.m. on Thursday.

Señores Zaforteza, Deputy to Cortes for the Balearics, Picavea, Deputy for Guipúzcoa, the province of which San Sebastián is the capital, Benzo, Undersecretary at the Home Office at the time of the gambling, and Major Naranjo from Civil Guard headquarters were called as witnesses in the two sessions held on Thursday.

Señor Zaforteza was with the Committee only ten minutes, but



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is reporting as saying that he had said a good deal during that time and offered to appear as often as might be necessary.

The Deputy from San Sebastián told the Committee that in 1934, at the request of all the financial and commercial entities of that city, he approached Señor Benzo to obtain permission for gambling there, the concession to be granted to the City Council. Permission was refused, but two or three days later he was surprised by Mynheer Strauss's showing him a permit for that purpose, made out in the Dutchman's name. Señor Picavea added that play went on for a very short time.

What Señor Benzo said has not been disclosed, but rumour has made up the deficiency. He is said to have told the Committee that he wrote one of the letters enclosed with the accusation in consequence of orders received from a higher authority. Another rumour has it that the electric roulette wheel used at Formentor was taken to the Home Office for tests.

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