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Cataluña Mourns President Maciá

F^{OR} years Francesc Maciá—any other than the Catalan form of his name would be most inappropriate—was known as the Don Quixote of Spanish politics, and the name fitted him more exactly than do most of those bestowed upon political figures. Yet when Maciá lay dying last Monday morning he could have reflected that in a manner of speaking he had written a new chapter to Cervantes' masterpiece.

Francesc Maciá may have been an idealist who tilted at windmills, but in the end his windmills proved vulnerable and his ideals capable of realization. Indeed, so rapidly were they realized that many have forgotten the days when Maciá was ridiculed as a dreamer of impossible dreams concerning Catalan autonomy. But Maciá lived to proclaim the Catalan Republic from the balcony of the Generalitat, and he died President of an autonomous Cataluña.

Born seventy-four years ago of middle class parents at Villanova y Geltrú, in the province of Barcelona, his Catalan nationalism was latent more than half his life. For Maciá's youth and prime were passed in the army. As a boy he went to the engineers' school, and until 1906 he was in the military service of his country.

He narrowly escaped being well known to English and American readers more than thirty years ago. Maciá, a promising young officer, applied for and was granted a post on Weyler's staff for the Cuban campaign. At the last moment, however, an officer of superior influence supplanted him.

Until he was forty-seven, Maciá pursued his military career, and Nov. 25th, 1905, a day remembered by Catalans as one of the saddest in their history, found him a Lieutenant Colonel at Lérida. He was the one army officer who declined to approve the action of the army in Barcelona, and the following year he was elected to the Cortes.

His army life was over ; his political life had begun. He was constantly re-elected, and during these years his enormous popularity with the masses of Cataluña was made. Not always first in the affecton of other leaders, he was beloved by the people until the strong hand of the Primo Rivera dictatorship sent him into exile in 1923. Three years later he led a sadly forlorn hope of

Three years later he led a sadly forlorn hope of invasion from France, a filibustering attempt designed to free Cataluña and foredoomed to failure. France refused longer to harbour him and he went



The Maciá funeral procession passing Plaza Cataluña

to Brussels. It was during these years of exile and adventure that the title of «Don Quixote» was fixed upon him. But he continued to work and to dream, and he maintained his hold upon popular affections. And at last on April 14, 1931, is was Maciá who proclaimed the Catalan Republic. There was never any question as to who would be President under the Estatuto which followed. He has then achieved his greatest happiness. A

He has then achieved his greatest happiness. A life devoted to opposition is not the best training for power, and Maciá had seen in recent months a swing to the Right which would doubtless have soon unseated him. But even his political opponents admired the man's character, and his death brought forth a display such as Spain has not seen in a long time. Barcelona declared a holiday for his funeral, and from all over the country official delegations and plain folk crowded into the city in such numbers (Continued on Page 5)

The season's fiestas in Spain are not over until the end of this coming week, and in accordance with this happy custom The Majorca Sun and Spanish Times will publish its holiday feature number next Sunday

Granada Fiesta in Honor of Washington Irving

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M^{EMORIAL} ceremonies in honor of Washington Irving, one time American Minister to Spain and glorifier of the Alhambra, were held in Granada yesterday (Saturday) and United States Ambassador Bowers made the principal speech. The cere-monies were arranged by the Centro Artístico de Granada with speeches, music and dramatic entertainment. Ambassador and Mrs. Bowers left Madrid Thursday and were welcomed outside Granada by an official party.

In his address, stressing the work of Washington Irving in making Spain known to literate America, Mr. Bowers said :

«It was his love of beauty that primarily brought him to Spain where he lived for a while in the house of the American consul in Madrid. The young man of wit, humor, eloquence and rare conversational powers who might have been seen meandering with knowing eyes through the old historic parts of the Spanish capital more than a century ago, little realized that here he would write the masterpiece that has linked his name forever with the glories of Granada. He had a love and appreciation of beauty, and here he found it in castle and cathedral, in the yellow of the plains, the green of the olive orchards, and in the purple haze of the white-capped mountains.

«He found all Spain a treasure house and he loved it and revered it; but most of all he loved Granada, and with his luminous pen he wrote his name indelibly on the walls of the Alhambra and

carved his name in the very granite of your hills. «Here in Granada he found beauty and romance, the passion for ideals and faiths, and the memory of gallant deeds. And living in the ancient palace of the Moors he saw in fancy, armies and banners, and heard the shouting of the captains, and saw the sun glistening on sword and shield, and he could hear the tumult of the desperate encounters in the heroic days when a brave monarch and the most lovely and admirable of queens rode to the conquest of Granada and reclaimed it for a Spanish civilization.

«During the century that has intervened since he told the story of the Alhambra and, in vivid phrases, recalled the ten year struggle for the redemption of Granada, the people of my country have made a path to these surrounding scenes of glory. «In looking

through the papers



of the archives in the Embassy in Madrid during the period that he served as Minister, I fail to find a single line. But if he did nothing notable in the dull routine of conventional diplomacy, he served in the highest sense, and as no other man has ever served, in bringing good will and understanding to two great nations through the interpretations of the printed page.

«So ambassadors may come and go, but the genius of Washington Irving and the gratitude of two great peoples have given to the author of the Alhambra and the Conquest of Granada a commission as an ambassador of good will that will not be cancelled so long as the Alhambra withstands the siege of time and so long as Granada sits in queenly beauty upon her throne in these eternal hills.»

Conventions in Spain

International conventions continue to come to Spain. According to the Gaceta Oficial, the international congress of technical education will convene in Barcelona next spring, the third inter-national congress of the Academie Internationale d'Histoire des Sciences will meet in Madrid October 7, 1934, and the sixth international congress of entomology comes to Madrid in 1935.

Exchange of the Week (Madrid Bourse Quotations)

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REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S NEWS

O NE of the dreams of the economists of Europe —and one of the bogey-men of United States politicians—has long been some sort of general European customs union within which the countries of this Continent could work out their commercial and industrial salvation. It has never progressed much beyond the dream or nightmare stage.

Now across the Atlantic a similar enterprise is being projected, and it will be the turn of American economists to hope and of European politicians to become alarmed. For the principal result of the Pan American Conference, just closed at Montevideo, is supposed to have been the first steps towards a reciprocal lowering of tariffs throughout the Western Hemisphere, and the encouragement of trade within the customs wall that would surround two continents.

It is a pleasant prospect, and unless the experimental atmosphere of the New World proves much more favourable to these growths than one could suspect, the budding plant of prosperity will be nipped by the same frosty blasts which ruined the European attempts—failure to agree on which duties should be lowered and by whom.

Probably the real work of the conference was the armistice between Bolivia and Paraguay, and the prospects that it will be continued—it was originally set to expire today—into a definite peace.

Gossip

Sir John Simon is taking a holiday, and his world is buzzing with gossip. Sir John has gone to Capri, but the gossip is not of the nature that you would expect from that simple statement.

For Sir John is Foreign Secretary in the British Cabinet, and his sojourn in the much-storied Island of Capri is believed to have strong and mysterious bearings on the course of world peace and disarmament. The diplomatic gossips are whispering that Sir John is undoubtedly cooking something up with Italy as a surprise for the League of Nations Council meeting next month.

It is, some of the whispers relate, even possible that England and Italy will work the miracle of reviving the League as an instrument of disarmament. Stranger things have happened, the optimists declare. Not much, reply the sceptics.

Seat of Power

More amusing than the League of Nations session should be the opening debates in the American Congress. A month ago it was confidently predicted that President Roosevelt would face a great

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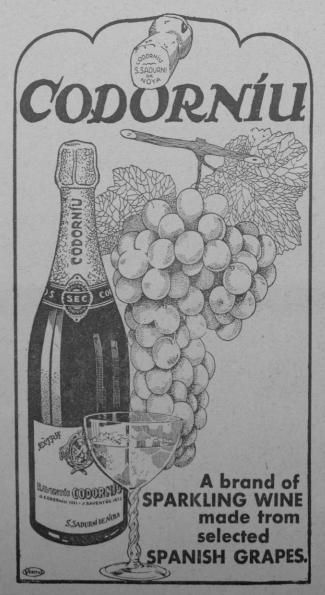
Now that the session of Congress is imminent, the prophets are not so sure. The mildness of the Congressional objections to the Administration programme, as so far expressed, is perhaps the best indication the world has had that the recovery is working out satisfactorily. A truer explanation of the calm might be that the President has his lawmaking colleagues well in hand.

The present American Ambassador to Spain once wrote a book describing the manner in which Congress wrested power from the executive branch of the Government. As things are shaping today, he may soon be called upon to write another book describing how President Roosevelt won these powers (and more) back again.

Balkans Again

A burst of intimate little conferences during the week has given rise to speculation concerning French objectives in the Balkans. It has been hinted that she would like to place herself at the head of a Balkan group as she has taken the Little Entente of Central Europe under her wing.

The only objection is that Italy too likes to consider herself as the protector of Balkan countries, and it would be too bad if the two benevolent powers should quarrel over who can be kindest.



Insularities

By Mildred Willis Harris

Is a world grown self-defensively inured to suffering, we felt convinced that mawkish sentiment had died, but life apparently still holds surprises. A tale has come to these incredulous old ears that, well... just listen to the story. An old time resident of Palma returned not long

An old time resident of Palma returned not long ago from a trip round the world, bringing with other spoils from far off places an ape she had acquired in Sumatra. The animal, not understanding that the *clima ideal* was misbehaving, languished for want of sunshine and began to cough. His mistress, terribly distressed, called in one doctor and another. They were, to put it mildly, startled when they saw the patient they were asked to treat, and some refused quite acidly to act as veterinaries.

The ape was more than merely homesick. He developed every symptom of pneumonia, and by the time a doctor was found willing to take the case, it was too late for human aid. The ape, his dark, reproachful eves upon his mistress, died.

dark, reproachful eyes upon his mistress, died. Feeling to blame for his induction to an unfriendly climate, the lady tried belatedly to make amends. Her pet was laid out in a snowy coffin, studded with silver nails and swathed in white chiffon. Heaped on the unfastened lid were bunches of bananas and of luscious grapes, which in his lifetime he had preferred to hot house orchids. And thus surrounded with all luxuries, the monk's remains were ceremoniously brought to Arenal, there to be laid at rest upon a friend's estate.

But his bereaved mistress, apparently still hoping for a resurrection, refused to have him put below the soil. Instead, she had the silver studded coffin placed in an old stone quarry. There she goes frequently to visit him, and—though this can't be verified—she claims that his appearance has remained unchanged.

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Weather Report

One of the hotel waiters here knows but two words of English. He enters with the breakfast tray each morning, and beaming broadly, chirps, «Wet weather !»

He has no idea that he does not bring good news, since he used the same words of greeting through a hot, dry summer.

Bills

Q UAINT customs sometimes pass into the limbo of forgotten things even while the need of them survives. It was, for instance, once the wont of creditors in Little Olde New York to send a gaudy yellow coach with driver habited in lemon colour, to stand before a debtor's door. Lest passersby be unaware of them, the man from time to time played on a silver throated bugle. All of the neighbours, naturally, were well aware of what the visit meant and usually the offender made all haste to get together cash enough to pay his debts.

In Palma there unfortunately is occasionally need for the yellow coach. Sometimes those buy who lack the wherewithal to pay. Shopkeepers have one weapon which they very rarely fail to use. When debtors show no feeling of responsibility for debts, the story promptly manages to get about. It seems to spread in billows, like asphyxiating gas and the delinquents, though they may profit once to the shop-keepers' loss, are apt to find the Island too small a place to play the same game with impunity again.

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Cataluña Goes Into Mourning for Her First President

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that there was hardly room for all those who wished to pay a last tribute to their leader.

As on a late September morning a little more than a year ago, the Plaza de la Republica was the centre of all interest. A year ago the Generalitat and the Ayuntamiento and the buildings which front on the old square were decorated to mark the coming of the Estatuto in the hands of Premier Azaña, representing the Republic, for delivery to President Francesc Maciá representing a new Cataluña. Now the structures were decorated again. But lights still burned in the street lamps and on the corner where then a sound-recording moving picture truck stood to record the voices of the speakers, there was a black automobile bearing funeral wreaths for one of them.

Only for a few hours had the plaza been deserted. Throughout Tuesday and a cold, rainy night long lines of citizens had filed through narrow streets to pass before the coffin of the first President of Cataluña, set up in the Salon de San Jorge in the Generalitat. When the temporary chapel was closed in order to prepare for the funeral the lines disintegrated and the people melted away.

They appeared again as the hour for the funeral procession approached. At 10 o'clock the streets filled once more. Spectators gathered along the edges of the Ramblas' promenade; others took preferred places on the draped balconies of the city's central artery. The shops closed and the newspaper kiosks; even café and bar doors were half-shut; no trams ran. Men climbed to the branches of the bare trees to obtain a better view, a few ladders were produced upon which elderly women and children rested uneasily. As on the memorable September 25th vendors sold Catalan flagpins for coat-lapels, and postcard pictures, «recuerdos de Presidente Maciá». A single line of soldiers kept the center lane open.

The procession was not delayed overlong. While the city employes, police, firemen, vigilantes, park guards and the bearers of crepe-draped standards of civic and choral societies waited in the Rambla de las Flores where the florists had no more flowers for countless wreaths still demanded, the head of the cortege entered the Rambla del Centro at the Calle Fernando. It was an artillery company. A number of gun carriages preceded the draped one drawn by six black horses bearing the coffiin of Francesc Maciá. The guard was of mozos de escuadra in full dress uniform. Behind, marched a military band. In front of the Liceo the carriage was halted. The opera house orchestra played «Els Segadors». The violins could hardly be heard in the hum. The cortege continued. The band played a funeral march. A few people waved handkerchiefs.

The distinguished visitors followed on foot. The President of the Republic, Niceto Alcalá Zamora; high civil, military, and naval officials; city delegations led by their mayors, their costumed maceros, their flags. Afterward came long lines of the members of societies to whom Maciá signified Cataluña and Cataluña, Maciá.

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A Boom that Failed Thirty Years Ago Mallorca Spurned Idea of Tourist

A BOUT forty years ago one of the infrequent ships to touch at Palma carried a very young steward who, despite his youth, was already something of a connoisseur in resorts. He had seen many of them and as he looked around Mallorca, almost an unknown island, he became enchanted with the quiet loveliness and the tourist possibilities of the place.

His ship sailed on, but the young man did not forget. He settled in Barcelona and was up to his eyes in work, but he remembered Mallorca.

The young man was Antonio Albareda, son of a cooper in Martorell. He had been apprenticed at ten to Switzerland where the firm for which his father worked exported most of its wine, and there he had learned languages and the best the world knew of hotel management. After his travels, which took in that one brief stay in Mallorca, he applied his acquired knowledge so successfully that while still a young man he had amassed a fortune.

During all that time he had never ceased to dream, and to speak, about Mallorca. Few of his friends in Barcelona knew anything about the Island and none of them were sufficiently interested to board the one boat a week which could have taken them there. But Antonio Albareda was convinced that it could easily rival the Swiss and Italian resorts then most popular.

In 1900 he was ready to back this opinion substantially. He took his fortune to Palma and there, supported by the Marques de Palmer, he embarked upon the task of making the world Mallorca conscious. His first work was to erect an hotel far grander than anything of which the Island had ever dreamed, and more so than anything then existing in Barcelona. The present Grand Hotel was the result.

If the Mallorquins were proud of the distinction thus given them they concealed it ably, as Albareda's sons, now proprietors of the Hotel Bristol in Barcelona, tell the story. Rather, the Islanders were genuinely hostile to the entire scheme. What ! they exclaimed in anger, bring these strange foreigners with their weird ways to disturb the tranquillity of our Island and of our lives? Never ! Critically and bitterly they watched the hotel manager trying to bring a tourist trade to them, and they rejoiced when no one came and were saddened when an occasional foreign visitor arrived to exclaim over the beauties of the country.

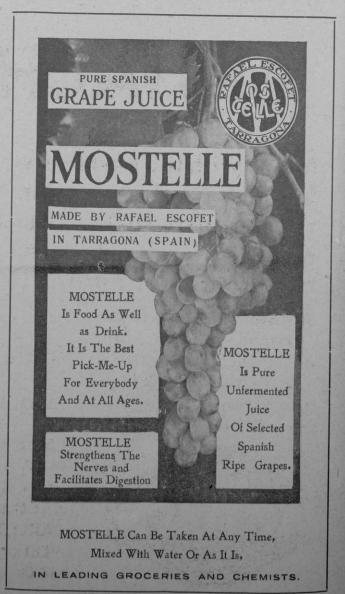
Only one man seemed to share at all in Albareda's enthusiasm. This was the Austrian Archduke Ludwig Salvador, the Hapsburg whose love for Mallorca had made him almost more Mallorquin than the Mallorquins. He was eager to share his pleasure in the Island with others. He gave Albareda encouragement and letters to friends in Germany and Austria.

Over the passive opposition of the local citizenry, who objected to having word about the place get abroad, Albareda undertook trips to Vienna, Berlin, Paris, London. He wrote and had published pamphlets and folders. He advertised, while the Mallorquins shook their heads in disapproval.

After eight years they won the battle. For that long Albareda continued to struggle to make the tourist world hear about and appreciate Mallorca. The world would not listen. For weeks on end no visitor arrived to sample the Grand Hotel's splendours. Those who did come were enthusiastic, but somehow their enthusiasm was not contagious. At length Albareda gave it up. He had sunk a million pesetas, his entire fortune, in the venture. His associates had lost as much again. His own pictures—he and his sons were connoisseurs and collectors of art, especially Catalan art—with which he had adorned the Hotel were left to pay his debts, and still hang upon the walls. Some of them, such as those by Rusiñol and Mir, are today extremely valuable.

Defeated, he left Mallorca as little known to the world as he had found it. After serving the Transatlantic Line for a time, the head of it, the Count de Guell, enabled him to start again in his own business, and he once again proved successful in Barcelona

Antonio Albareda died three years ago, too soon to have seen the full realization of his youthful dreams, but not too soon to have witnessed the change in Mallorca and the Mallorquin attitude towards the potent al foreign visitor. Indeed, he lived long enough to be thanked for what he had done by some of the same men who had years before inquired why in the name of the saints he should want to spoil their island with a lot of strangers.



Joynson-Hicks Sees England on the Right Road

T HE Hon. L. W. Joynson-Hicks, son of the fam-ous «Jix», has just come out from England and reports an optimistic feeling through the nation that is backed up by definite and concrete signs of an improvement in the economic condition of the country. The late Viscount Brentford, affectionately called «Jix» by a grateful country, was the Secretary of State for the Home Department for five years, including that turbulent period of the General Strike, and was a Member of Parliament for twenty years. He was the lay leader of the Evangelical Party and led the defense in the House of Commons against the attempt to revise the Prayer The Hon. L. W. Joynson-Hicks is a solicit-Book. or in the law firm of Joynson-Hicks and Co., founded by his father, and although he has had no hand in the government of the nation is in the position of a shrewd observor of affairs.

England, as he sees it, has been passing through a most critical period aggravated by the world-wide depression but there is, he maintains, every reason to believe the worst is over and that the path ahead, though doubtless stony, leads upward. She is beset at the present moment by two major problems, the Dole and the Drought, but aside from these, conditions are more promising than they have been for years and the British people have by no means lost faith or courage.

Still the Dole

Although within the past year more than half a million men have been added to the ranks of the regularly employed, the problem of the dole is still of paramount importance. Parliament is now debating the Dole Bill in an endeavour to discover how best to return to unemployed insurance to take care of the man in actual want without continuing the evils inevitably attendant upon placing men on the dole. Although unemployment insurance has been in vogue since early in the century, the system broke down under the enormous increase in unemployment following the first war boom in 1923. Under this system the State, together with the employer and the employee, contributed to a fund from which a man was enabled to draw benefits during a period of unemployment. When un-employment first became wide-spread, the funds which were available were soon exhausted and the State was forced to lend its aid.

Parliament is now seeking some method by which to prevent a man taking something from the pot to which he has contributed nothing. The present scheme is to widen the scope of unemployment insurance to include new classes, particularly the farm labourer, which will increase receipts materially. And it is hoped, as well, that some way will be found for increasing transitional benefits; that is, for making more provision for the period between jobs.

With this problem on the way toward a solution, England is still faced by the crisis of the drought. Since February, only about three weeks of proper rain have fallen in most parts of the country. Almost every farm in England has been forced to cart water sufficient for the live stock this past month, and this shortage has done much to contribute to the depression of the agricultural industry... already most severely hit. It is, however, hoped that the protectionist measures being undertaken in conjunction with arrangements arrived at in the Ottowa Conference, will benefit the farming community through schemes for new and wider markets upon which the Government is now at work.

The doubt engendered as to the future course that the United States will take along financial, economic and industrial lines is handicapping the recovery in England as it is elsewhere throughout the world, because of lack of confidence in the American markets. Because of the interrelation between the dollar, franc and pound, no one can possibly predict what financial relations will exist between the different countries in the future.

The feeling, reflected with increasing frequency in the American press, that Roosevelt's policies have already proved themselves a failure, is not upheld in England. The feeling there is that it has not yet been proven one way or another, and that it appears to be the only constructive programme which holds out any possibility of success. The English people as a whole, less impatient than the Americans, have not expected it to achieve miracles over night, and therefore are suspending judgment until it has had time to prove its worth.

Liquor for U.S.

The widespread optimism felt in England at the news that America's Noble Experiment was about to be acknowledged a failure, is marking time until more definite announcement of the quotas to be allotted to the different countries has been made. The hope that revocation of the 18th Amendment would improve the position of the Scottish and English distillers has given way to doubt as to whether the alloted quota will be appreciably larger than the British exports to America during the thirteen years just passed. The unofficial theory is that it will make very little difference in the volume of liquor exported to the States.

Despite the gravity of many problems England faces at the present moment, despite the fact that she has been, and is, subject to a much higher rate of taxation than any other country, London shows fewer signs of the depression than any city in the world. Hotels and restaurants still draw gay throngs of people, and theatres not infrequently display their House Full signs. Among more concrete signs of a returning prosperity Mr. Joynson-Hicks points to the completed plans for the construction of a 73,000 ton Cunarder for the North Atlantic passenger trade, which seems to show that England, despite the tragic difficulties of the past vears and the undoubted hardships she has undergone, has at last weathered the worst of the storm. In this she has been aided by a balanced budget, by dropping the gold standard, and by the adoption of protectionist duties. These measures, combined with confidence in the National Government, have enabled the manufacturers and the producers of the country to embark on a programme of expansion which will, in turn help to bring back prosperity.

Mr. Joynson-Hicks and his wife came to Palma to spend the holidays with his mother, the Dowager Viscountess Brentford, who lives at Son Semola, Bonanova.

The Stars Predict These Events for 1934

OR 1934 the wise denizen of this earth will r prepare himself against surprises and great changes. Important political upheavals, renewed economic novelties and imposing natural phenomena are in the offing. Such is the sum of the annual predictions offered to a sceptical world by a lady who likes to be known professionally as Zetha Jeelti.

It has been her custom to consult the heavens each December and she claims to read there the general history of this troubled planet during the course of the next twelve months. This year's prophecy is accompanied by a sort of testimonial in the shape of some of the correct prognastications indulged in by the seeress in the past. Among her accomplishments was the warning that America would go off the gold standard, that the summer would not be so much hot as humid, that there would be a great conflict in the Far East from which Japan would emerge victorious, that there would be a great political change in Germany and that England would have trouble with India.

Confidence in the gifted lady's powers having thus been established, her little booklet launches into the menu for 1934.

The stars in June, she announces, are in just the right juxtaposition to enable success to attend an international gathering in which the best minds of the world will be able to arrange harmonious cooperation in restoring a measure of prosperity to a shaken world. Such a conference could be held either under the auspices of the League of Nations or of any power which has the gumption to summon it; the stars are not particular. In March there will be a great tempest or

earthquake or something-Madame Jeelti frankly confesses that its exact nature has not been revealed to her-which will sweep from one end of Europe to the other, but will be the means of awakening the better nature in mankind, at least among the survivors.

It is written along the Milky Way that Ireland will gain its independence, but only at the expense of civil war. Irish troubles, Madame Jeelti foresees, will not be ended within twelve months, and the year will close on an Emerald Isle stained with

the results of a bitter struggle. This, however, will not prevent Great Britain from enjoying a run of luck. Madame Jeelti has it on the best astronomical authority that the Indian question will receive a definitive settlement in October, and that the bonds of Empire will be materially strengthened. In general it is to be a year of prosperity in England, and the seeress interprets a certain obscure combination of stars to mean that unemployment will be almost entirely wiped out.

In the United States, the year is to be one of



mixed blessings. Madame Jeelti sees a few weeks in April when the nation will be on the verge of despair because of the unexpected failure of the experiments in a new economic order, but the mistakes will be rectified, and out of confusions the Roosevelt Administration will evolve a system which will be the admiration and envy of the world. Even the farmers are to share in the new prosperity. The summer will be hard, but beginning in September the qualities of the new system will begin to show themselves, and the ensuing winter will be free of breadlines.

In general the summers are to be hotter all over the world and the winters colder.

The death of a great man is going to plunge Europe into a state of great uncertainty during the month of May. Madame Jeelti is inclined to believe that his death will be the result of violence, and that his country will be the worse for his passing.

In the realm of sports, the stars are more than usually definite, Madame Jeelti reports. As a rule their tips on horse races, football matches, etc., are rather too Delphic to be followed by any but the most sanguine upnters, but this year it is slightly different. For example :

The winner of the Derby will be a bay, and his starting price will be 100 to 8.

England will retain the Davis Cup but there will be several upsets in the preliminary rounds, of which the United States will be one victim.

Australia will win the great cricket Test.

Madame Jeelti regrets that she was not quite able to catch the exact shade of blue worn by the winner of the Oxford-Cambridge boat race.

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Witches, Noses and Toys

T ODAY is New Year's Eve, the day when we are through with the old year and glad of it, whatever has happened in its course. We are all hopes that the new year will bring us all that the old has denied us, and in this expectancy our gaiety increases with each hour that brings us nearer to the old year's last minutes.

In Spain, New Year's Eve is the fiesta of the witches who are supposed to have more power on this day than on any other in the year. Our advice to escape their evil tricks is to put a leaf of laurel under the cushion when you go to bed tonight —if you do. It is a remedy that has been tried out during many centuries and, though not advertised in the press, it is reported to have given the best results.

A personality of purely Catalan tradition is the Nose Man who is said to have as many noses as there are days in the year ; that is to say, 365 noses distributed all over his body. He only appears once a year—on December 31st—and at noon he can be seen on the steps outside the Bourse in the Plaza Palacio, when he wipes all his noses with dozens of handkerchiefs (it must be a job; we find that these days we have plenty of wiping to do with only one nose). The children are especially curious to behold the Nose Man when he is busy the cleaning of his 365 «outstanding features» but parents, if they are careful and love their children, do not allow them to go to the Plaza Palacio today on ac-count of the many 'flu germs which the Nose Man blows around. Last year, there were so many of them that it became quite foggy down in the Plaza, and all the children, who could not see the Nose Man anyway on account of the germ fog, caught the most terrible colds.

The shopkeepers usually ask the children who come in to buy, if they have seen the Nose Man who has just passed the shop in the street. If the little one says no, he has not seen him, the shopkeeper is very sorry and says : «If you had only come in a moment earlier, you would have seen him. He had noses everywhere. Well, you will see him next year.»

Grown ups get their fun at the New Year's Dance. In all the popular dance halls large crowds come together to dance and—to eat grapes. The dance halls of the people are bare cold sheds primitively decorated, and certainly not comfortable. A band plays if not exactly harmoniously, yet loudly enough to get your entrance fee's worth. There are two or three waiters who are given a pleasant surprise if you approach them with an order, because almost all the other people have brought their own food and drinks or sit around empty tables. When the clock strikes twelve, the traditional grape eating—one grape with each stroke—is performed, and the little bar, consisting of a tiny barrel of Manzanilla in the centre of the floor, really does some business on account of the common belief that alcohol lends strength to New Years wishes.

Children's Day

Three Kings Day, Jan. 6, is the most important fiesta for Spanish children. It is the day when they receive gifts of toys, but of course only if they have been behaving properly during the year. The three kings, accompanied by their servant Gregory, who has ears that can hear everything from a distance of three hours, ride through the town on huge camels loaded with toys which they leave for



Showing Off on Three Kings Day

those children who have been reported to them as good and obedient, while the bad children get nothing. As the Kings like to bring gifts that the children will be pleased with, the best thing to do is to write them a letter telling them what sort of toys you want very badly. There are special letter boxes in the big stores where you can post your wishes. If you want to see the Kings when they ride past your house during the night, you must stand on the balcony wearing a wet shirt and holding a twig in your hand that is just beginning to have blossoms. Of course, standing on the balcony in a wet shirt of a cold winter night is not very pleasant, and blossoming twigs are not very frequent at this time of the year. So you better go to sleep. The Kings buy the toys in the shops that, during

The Kings buy the toys in the shops that, during the last days before the 6th are crammed full of dolls and trains, picture books and jig-saw puzzles and many other nice things for children. There hardly seems to be anything else on sale. Another place for them to buy nice toys is the toy market in the Calle Cortes between Muntaner and Urgell. When they have finished their shopping the Kings go, during the night, from house to house and wherever they see a pair of shoes standing on a balcony they leave the gifts the child has deserved. By the size and form of the shoes they can tell if a boy or a girl lives in that house and of what age they are, so that they cannot make mistakes leaving for instance a doll for a boy or a box of tin soldiers for a girl. As the camels may be hungry and thirsty from the long voyage it is better to leave a pail with water and a little hay beside the shoes. Then the camels will not be tempted to eat the shoes, hungry as they are.

Of course, the nicest thing about getting toys is to try them out. So on Three Kings day the streets are full of children who play with their new toys, show them to their friends or try to «see what is inside.» The passers-by on the Paseo de Gracia have a job working their way through the dangerous traffic of toy automobiles whose drivers have only just taken out their licenses.



What to Do and Where to Go in Barcelona

Theatres

LICEO OPERA — This afternoon, Maria del Carmen. To-morrow afternoon, Manon.

ROMEA — El Divino Impaciente. NOVEDADES - El Hermano Lobo.

GRAN TEATRE ESPANYOL - Vaudeville Company of Josep Santpere.

COMICO — Con el Pelo Suelto.

BARCELONA — Don Inmenso.

OLYMPIA — Circus.
NUEVO — Luis Calvo Zarzuela repertory with Marcos Re-dondo. La Cruz de Hierro.

APOLO - Les Dones han guanyat.

Cinemas

COLISEUM — If I Had A Million (English).

URQUINAONA - Fra Diavolo (English).

FANTASIO — Yo, Tu y Ella (Spanish).

FEMINA - Cynara (English). Thursday, Smilling Through (English).

TIVOLI — The Private Life of Henry VIII (English). Friday, My Weakness (English).

CAPITOL - Central Park (English). Friday, Morgenrot (German).

CATALUÑA - Boliche (Spanish). Wednesday, Broadway Bad (doubled in Spanish).

KURSAAL — Ich bei Tag und Du bei Nacht (German). Tomorrow, No Dejes la Puerta Abierta (Spanish).

PATHE PALACE and EXCELSIOR — 20,000 Years in Sing Sing (English). Tomorrow, Danton (French).

PARIS — Anna und Elisabeth (German). Tomorrow, The Sign of the Cross (English).

GOYA — El Secreto del Mar (English).

ACTUALIDADES - News reels and reportages.

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Amusements

- tball Today at las Corts: F. C. Barcelona vs. Betis (Seville). Tomorrow, F. C. Barcelona vs. S. C. Slavia (Prague). January 6th, F. C. B Barcelona vs. S. C. Football . Slavia (Prague).
- Concert This morning at 11 at the Teatro Poliorama : Violin Recital by the Russian Artist Viska Mina Krokowsky.
- Dance Recitals January 5th and 9th at 10.30 p.m. at the Teatro Barcelona : Antonia Mercé - La Argentina.

Any of the parks, Sunday mornings, Sardanas are danced to the appropriate cobla or band.

- Juanito el Dorado and Casa Manquet Saturday nights : Flamenco singing (cante jondo) and dancing.
- Fronton Novedades The Spanish Ball Game pelota vasca or jai alai (pala variety played with a bat), daily at 4:15 and 10:15 p.m.
- Fronton Principal Palace The same game but cesta variety, played with a basket at the same hours.

Radio

The Week on EAJ 15

Today (Sunday) 10 p.m. - Chamber music by Barcelona Sextet.

Monday 11 p.m. - Musical hour dedicated to Catalans abroad.

Tuesday 10 p.m. - Lieder recital by Anna Reull. 10.30 -

Orpheus Quartet. Wednesday 9 p.m. — Sardanas by the Cobla Barcelona. 10 p.m. — Radio Theatre.

Thursday 10 p.m. - Song recital by Andreua Fornells de Sayós.

Friday 10 p.m. — Violin recital by Domènec Ponsa. Saturday 10.10 p.m. — Operatic selections by Carme Palazón.

The Russian Opera

There were people who said : «You are going to hear Chaliapine? Don't go. He is sixty now and has no voice any more. You will only spoil the impression you had of him when you heard him in his best years.» It is true that he is sixty years old, but age has not done the slightest harm to his voice. It is just as steady and strong and rich in tones as it used to be. And then, Boris Godounov is his part. He has made the opera, put the stamp of his genius right next to that of Moussorgsky's. It might be said to be «by Moussorgsky and Chaliapine» in the programme.

Chaliapine's acting is something quite unusual on the opera stage. It seems so natural and unconventional, ingenious and personal, that one could enjoy it even if he did not sing. He uses the whole stage quite freely and never appears to look at the conductor. He was in great contrast to Mr. Ritch who sang the part of Grigori Dimitri with a beautiful tenor voice but with the typical and not far from comic opera gestures. Mr. Possemkovsky sang the part of Duke Chousky and we enjoyed his performance as we did when we heard him last year, when he sang the same part with the Paris Opéra.

Moussorgsky's Fair of Sorotchinski and Strawinsky's Œdipus Rex were on the programme the other night. The former is one of Moussorgsky's last works. It is gay and melodious and was well performed by the best singers in the company. Edipus Rex is the Greek tragedy as Strawinsky and Jean Cocteau imagine its original form. The actors have a fixed spot on the stage from which they do not move. Their faces are covered by masks and their costumes are made of rigid material, so that they can only move their head and arms. The choir sings from behind the wings and is represented on the stage by some painted figures. The appearance or disappearance of an actor is effected by a curtain that comes down or goes up in front of him. Strawinsky's music interprets the story, keeping strictly to the tragic accent of text and decoration, and particularly in the second part it rises to great power of expression. Neither singers nor orchestra seemed to be quite up to the technical difficulties of the work, except Miss Sadoven and Mr. Doubrowski whose voices have sufficient volume to do justice to their parts. Edipus could hardly be heard. The decoration was simple and severe as befits the character of the opera, yet it was not quite harmonious on account of its partly modernistic, partly conventional details. U. C. A. K.



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The members of the hockey team of Indian students from Cambridge, the Varsity Asiatics, who lost against the Polo Club here last Tuesday by four to two, do not seem to be any too firmly grounded in geography.

On their way to this city, their Captain arranged for an autocar to be waiting for them at the Franco-Spanish frontier to convey them to Barcelona. Meanwhile the team was proceeding across France by train and got out at Perpignan. They spent the night in that city and next morning waited with diminishing patience for the autocar. It did not arrive and after roundly describing to each other their opinion of the traditional Spanish lack of re-liability, they took train for Barcelona. In a body they proceeded to the travel agency from which they had ordered the car. They were quite vociferous about the stupidity of those who had kept them waiting at the frontier. A few moments later they emerged from the office quietly, their faces an ashamed red. They had learned that Perpignan is not the frontier, and that their car had been waiting for them at Port Bou. It has been suggested that if the agency cannot collect for the car-the team doesn't see why unused conveyances should be paid for-it might put in the bill for educational services.

Mrs. Armstrong is spending the Christmas holidays at Nice, where she is the guest of H. R. H. the Maharajah of Indore.

On Christmas Eve members of the English colony entertained the crews of one English and one American ship at the Seamen's Mission.

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Mrs. Cunningham, one of the best known members of the Anglo-American colony, died here on Tuesday. Her husband, Capt. Cunningham, had been secretary of the British Chamber of Commerce until failing health forced him to retire. He died in Barcelona about three years ago.

Dr. Jones will conduct New Year services at the English Church tomorrow at 8:30 and 11.

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The programme of play at the New Barcelona Golf Club for the coming holidays is as follows:

Today, last two rounds of Championships of Cataluña (medal play, scratch), in which the remaining eight players will take part. Tomorrow afternoon — competitions of driving, approaching and putting. January 6th: Mixed Foursome. Competition followel by dinner and dancing at the Club house.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Oswald Jenkins have invited their friends for a New Year's Eggnog at their home in Calle Tabern.





Last August Hertha Harmon made her debut to radio fans over EAJ 15, Barcelona. Her programme of typical American songs, which included several of the more popular Negro spirituals, met with such success that she was asked to repeat it. Since then she has broadcast every month from Barcelona.

Next Wednesday evening, at 9 o'clock, Miss Harmon will give her regular monthly recital from EAJ 15 and some of the numbers will be Morning Hymn by Henschel, Rain Song by Hahn, the Negro spiritual Nobody Knows the Troubles I Seen, Horsman's Bird of the Wilderness, and de Koven's Oh, Promise Me.

Miss Harmon was born in New York City and appeared on the operatic stage in Boston and Philadelphia before singing in Berlin and other German cities. She left Germany for Mallorca and after a summer over there, decided on Barcelona for her home.

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On a tour of Spain, the Comtesse Desplaces will arrive here from Paris on January 17th and remain in this city for several days before departing for Zaragoza.

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«The Evolution of the Lady's Hat» is the subject of the talk which Sr. Ramon Marti of Marti-Marti will give at the regular weekly luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club in the Hotel Ritz, Tuesday at I:30 o'clock.

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Mr. Norman King, the British Consul General, will as usual hold his New Year cocktail party at his home tomorrow.

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Members of the American Chamber of Commerce in Spain demonstrated immediate, enthusiastic and strong support this week for the resolution recently passed by the Chamber's board of directors urging the American government to conclude a commercial treaty with this country. From all parts of Spain there was an unusual demand for additional copies of the resolution to distribute among representatives or home offices in the United States as well as in governmental agencies in Washington and Madrid.

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T^{HE} past week was one of festivity in Madrid, ushered in with the drawing of the Christmas lottery. While this drawing did not attract as large a crowd as in former years, about fifty persons were in line despite the cold, long before the doors of the lottery hall opened. The first person in line was unable to sell his place even for a cigarette or a *perra gorda*, after he had braved three cruelly cold days and nights waiting. The only person to sell her place in line was a woman with a child in her arms, who sold the No. 11 position for a duro.

Madrid played Santa Claus at the drawing, allotting big prizes all over the country and retaining only a portion of the fifth prize for herself. Two twentieths of the *gordo* were sent to England, having been bought by Aquilino Barturen in Bilbao. The Centro Oficial de Contratación de Moneda

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A tragic Christmas Eve performance took place at the Circo Price. a 28-year-old Austrian trapeze jumper, Miss Paula Uraz, plunged headlong to her death when she failed to make connections after a «death leap». It was the final act, in which she as the star, leaped blindly while her head was covered with a sack.

The British Embassy church was filled on the occasion of the Christmas service, at which the Rev. Herbert Pentin delivered the sermon.

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Among those present was Sir George Grahame, the British Ambassador. At the carol service a group of American students from the Residencia de Señoritas sang in the choir.

A record number of children, 107, attended this year's children's Christmas party at the British American Club, and the party was unusually merry. Only children whose parents—or one parent are either English or American were admitted.

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A big New Year's Eve dance at the British American Club and fiestas at principal hotels and clubs will ring out the old, ring in the new. When the Big Ben on top of the Ministry of Gobernación chimes the hour of twelve, a dozen grapes will glide rapidly down the throats of nearly all Madrileños.



Capital Sees Old Year Out With a Week of Festivities

The Puerta del Sol is always packed on this occasion.

On January 3, President Alcalá Zamora will hold his annual diplomatic reception, one of the major social functions of the year in Madrid.

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At the Club del Campo; the favorite country club of the English speaking colony, social and sports activities are unusually brisk at this season. Last week the weekly tea dances there were resumed. Qualifying medalists in the December golf tournament were: Mills, Altamira, Morrison, Pérez Ortega, Perogordo, Alfaro, Williams and Muro. Monday and Tuesday a team composed of Indian students at Cambridge will meet the Club del Campo in two hockey matches.

The Nueva Plaza de Toros in Madrid, which has stood idle since its completion in 1929, may be inaugurated with the opening of the season next Spring. The work of providing traffic access to it was begun Tuesday.



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Cinemas

Reviews of the more important of these pictures are pu-blished at the time of their arrival in Barcelona, usually a week or so before their showing in Palma.

PROTECTORA — IS THIS LOVE? in English. PRINCIPAL — THE EMPRESS AND I, with Lillian Harvey.

BALEAR - Wednesday, THE TWO ORPHANS.

- SIALTO SLAVERY, with Dorothy Jordan. Thursday, THE LOVE NEST.
- . AODERNO GANGSTERS OF THE AIR and CHINA-TOWN. Thursday, A MODERN ROBINSON CRUSOE, Fairbanks.
- BORN A THIEF IN THE BEDROOM with Miriam Hopkins. Thursday, IF I HAD A MILLION, in English.

Theatrical

LIRICO — Spanish Operettas.

Dancing

Victor's - Dancing every night. Morisco - Dancing every night. Turkey Bar - Dancing indoors.

Miscellaneous

Bridge Club — At the Bellver, afternoon and evening. Caves of Drach — Concert on Lake Martel every Monday, Wednesday and Sunday during visit to Caves which begins at 11:30 a.m.

Caves of Artá - Weekly Excursions.

International Language Club. At the Trocadero, Tuesday, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, 9:30 p.m. Dancing.

Horseracing - Today at 10 a.m. at the Hipodromo.

Creches on View

Many of the churches in Palma have on display until the sixth of January, creches which are the result of weeks of patient work. Some of the most beautiful are listed below, together with the hours at which they are open to the public.

The creche of the Capella Classica, with figures of the 19th century decorated by Bartomeo Ferra, a noted painter, is at the Almudaina Palace and may be seen from 6 to 8 p.m.



The Accion Catolica has on display a creche at Calle Almudaina 13, which may be seen daily until nine in the evening.

Sr. Frances Valdes Guzman, at Calle Salud 1, Terreno has opened his creche to public view between the hours of 7 and 9, daily.

The Society of Juventud Antoniana has on display. a particularly lovely creche at Calle Obispo Maura 4, daily from 6 to 8 p.m.

The College of Augustin Nuns are showing their creche at Calle San Cayetano 5, daily from four until seven p.m.

The creche of the Society of Casal Catala at Calle Zagranada 16, may be seen daily.



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Sunday, Dec. 31st, mail closes at the Palma postoffice at 1:30 p.m. for the ILE DE FRANCE, Havre, and the AQUITANIA, Cherbourg, both due in New York Jan. 9th.

Thursday, Jan. 4th, mail closes at the Palma postoffice at 8 p.m. for the CITY OF HAMBURG, Havre, due in Baltimore Jan. 17th.

Sunday, Jan. 7th, mail closes at the Palma postoffice at 1:30 p.m. for the OLYMPIC, Cherbourg, due in New York Jan. 16th.

Every day except Sunday, mail marked for these ships (or for any others, or for the mainland) can be posted at the gangplank of the Barcelona boat up to the moment of sailing at 9 p.m. On Sundays this is impossible since mail leaves Palma for Barcelona by way of Alcudia.

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OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Some two hundred guests made merry Chrismas night at the Mediterraneo Hotel, where, for the dinner dance, the tables were especially arranged around the edge of the dance floor and a great Christmas tree spread its protective branches over the orchestra imported to add spirit to the celebration. Large dinner parties were in order. At one table were seen Lady Mercer, Mrs. Ella Hinman, Mrs. Albert Bulson, General and Mrs. Higginson, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Humphrys, Mr. Francis Burton Harrison, Mr. Arthur Townsend, Señor Fer-nando Esteban and Mr. Morrison. At another table, made festive by a glittering Christmas tree, Madame Bodmer was hostess to a large dinner given for her children and grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Fey had as their guests Mrs. Esther Wolf Richie, Miss Inga Bergman and Sr. Tito Cungi. Among the others who played host were Col. and Mrs. Molesworth, Señor Duster, Señor Rossello, Dr. Servera, Mr. and Mrs. Boll, Frau Thom, and Mr. and Mrs Galt.

Mrs. Best was hostess at a mid-day Christmas dinner when she entertained Miss Emily Camp, Miss Smith, Miss Ray Walker and Signor Tito Cungi at her home.

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For some time Signor Tito Cungi has been a more than popular guest-chef, preparing his famed gnocchi by request. But his farewell appearance in this role occurred on Wednesday night when, as a special mark of favour to the J. F. Requardts, he brewed his savoury specialty in honour of Mrs. Flora Neale, daughter of Mrs. Requardt who has but recently arrived in Palma.

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The reappearance of Mr. Bert Mullin at the piano of the Morisco was enough to assure success for their Christmas party. So crowded was the place that those who did not have the foresight to engage a table in advance were disappointed, and even chairs were at a premium. Mr. Mullin, who has not yet recovered fully from his operation, admitted with a touch of bitterness that hardly had he finished playing the piano at two A. M., that someone, tired of standing, dragged his chair out from under him.

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At the Taberna Vasca there was a big crowd for the Christmas Gala. At midnight Father Christmas, in the person of Signor Bruno Basciera,



appeared and jovially scattered paper hats among the diners, taking these gifts in endless numbers from a great sack. Among the foreign visitors to whom he scattered largess were Mr. Mortimer, just back from Paris; Mrs. Diana Harris, Mrs. Dorothy Batchellor, Mrs. and Miss Flannagan, Mrs. Ronald Goetz, and Madame Du Bois. Many Mallorquins were present, including Señor Francisco Moscaro, Señor Monserrat Moscaro, Señora and Doctor Porcel, and Señor José Roca.

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On Christmas afternoon Mrs. Leonard Liebling gave a cocktail party at her home in the Calle 14 de Abril. A roaring blaze of Yule logs in the open fireplace, before which she served hot spiced wine and doughnuts, lent a holiday atmosphere. Among her guests were Mr. and Mrs. Julian Humphrys, Mrs. Ralph Hemingray, Mr. Francis Burton Harrison, Major Charles Goetz, Mr. Ronald Goetz, Mrs. Dorothy Batchellor, the Misses Baldwin, Señores Jorge Vidal Quadras and Xavier Vidal Quadras, Mrs. Fulton Leser and Baron Basedow.

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On Friday Señor Roses and Señor Catalan, feeling that Palma was too provincial for the proper celebration of New Year's Eve, left for the broader confines of Barcelona. The same night Sr. Madico sailed on his way to Paris. And Wednesday night Captain Rossello, taking advantage of the holidays, departed on a hurried trip to Barcelona to pick up new material for the kindergarten in his school.

General and Mrs. Studd, who have spent several seasons on the Island, have recently taken the Villa Juncosa for the remainder of the Winter. They have been staying at the Hotel Principal Alfonso.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dorr Newton celebrated Christmas with a particularly successful dinner dance in their home, Son Vich, in Esporlas. Among their guests were Mrs. Simpson and her daughter who have recently arrived from Cuba, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Re-quardt and their daughters, Mrs. Flora Neale and Miss Dickey Scoville, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gavett, Mrs. Murray Black, Mr. Walter Furey, Mr. Cecil Aldin, Mr. Bert Mullin, Mrs. Fulton Leser, Mrs. Ralph Hemingray, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newhall and Mr. King. Mr. Murray Black, who was ill, and Major Charles Goetz, both of whom expected to be present, were unable to attend the dinner at the last minute.

The Donald Newhall's party for youngsters and their parents, friends, and provedly genial grown-ups, was also markedly successful up to the time when Sammy Newhall jammed his fingers in the door. This painful accident, which Sammy faced like a young soldier, cast a slight gloom on the festivities, which only the debut of Mr. Walter

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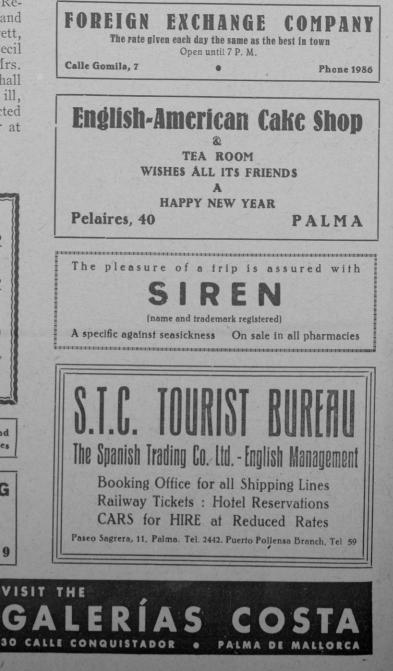
Mrs. Knipp's Son Killed by Fall

On the evening of last Saturday, Dec. 23rd, the three year old son of Mrs. Kathleen Knipp fell from the second story window of her home on the Calle José Villalonga, Terreno, and died almost im-mediately as a result of his injuries.

A month ago the child had fallen from the same window and was unhurt. Apparently the incident had not left him with any sense of fear, and on Saturday he climbed up to the window to see if Santa Claus was perhaps on his way to Terreno. Leaning out he slipped and lost his balance.

Ogden, in a bowler hat... the gift, he claimed, of an admirer... could dissipate. Among those who made merry with young Sammy and his friends were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lockwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Requardt, Mr. Walton Blodgett, Mr. Roderick Meade, and his fiancee Miss Jervis Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gavett, Mrs. Raffloer, Mrs. John Lowry, Mrs. Muñoz, and her daughter Mrs. Nell.

Arrivals from New York on the Exochorda were Miss Dorothy M. Allen, the Misses Mary and Grace Coulough, Miss Grace A. Lohmann, Miss Lucie E. S. Harang, Miss Uluu May Matheson, Mrs. Flora Neal and her son, Miss Cleora Sutch, Dr. Antonio Valenti and his family.



A cablegram from San Francisco was received on Christmas day at Joe's Bar in Terreno. Addressed to «President» Mather of the Noonday Club, and signed «The Pinks», it read : «To our friends overseas we send best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.»

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One of the gayer parties Christmas Eve was that at which the Norman Jacobsen's were hosts. After a festive evening in their home, they took their guests to the midnight services at the Cathedral before they ended up at the Morisco.

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The Christmas Festival held at the Mallorca Junior Club under the supervision of Mrs. George Bowden, was a great success. To those who have interested themselves in Mrs. Bowden's venture, the following message is addressed.

«The Mallorca Junior Club wishes to thank its many friends for their own Christmas spirit that found expression, not only at this festive season but even through the heat of the summer. These friends who brought their choicest gifts to the young people of this Centre are too numerous to mention here, but their names will be found on the Roll of Honour.»

The Hon. Griselda Joynson-Hicks arrived in Palma 'to send a fortnight with her mother, the Dowager Viscountess Brentford, at her home, Son Semola.

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The Hotel Mediterraneo is planning a repetition of their successful Christmas dinner dance, by holding one on Monday night, with an augmented orchestra.

The second British subject to be born on the Island within a few months was registered at the British Consulate last week. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Williams, of Calle Bonanova and was born on December 22nd.

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The holidays have been gaily celebrated at the Alfonso Hotel, where on Christmas Eve Mr. S. Maggs and Mr. «Peter» Owen were joint hosts to a large dinner party, which later joined the general dancing. General and Mrs. Studd had as their dinner guests for Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lewis.

Among those staying at the Principal Alfonso are Mr. Arthur Slingsby and his sisters, Miss L. G. Slingsby and Miss B. Slingsby, from England; Dr. and Mrs. Selsing from Berl¹n. Dr. Selsing is recuperating from a recent illness. Mr. and Mrs. A. Oser are guests of the hotel, as are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sydenham-Clark, Mrs. F. H. Macauley, Mrs. B. M. Farr, who has been ill but is recover-



They Say in Pollensa

We have had a welcome few days of sunshine in the Puerto, and the view across the bay with the snow covered mountains in the distance, has been unforgettable. Among the visitors here for the Christmas season the following are at the Marisol : Mr. David Atchison, Miss Isabel Leake, Mrs. Flora Jenner-Sust, Mrs. John Read, Miss Cathleen Asten, Mr., Mrs., and Miss Challner, Miss Sarah Bethelle, Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson, Mr. Charles Chadwick and Mr. and Mrs. Turner. Mr. Turner is associate editor of the London Financial Times.

At the Miramar are Mr. and Mrs. Skene, Mrs. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Stanbury, Mrs. Unwin, Mr. and Mrs. Wedel, Mrs. Birshall Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard.

Dr. Trautman's Christmas Eve party was an extremely gay affair. The bar was decorated with amusing caricatures of habitues. Everyone received a suitable present. One serious drinker got a toy water wagon. Count Palagay received a pair of buttons for his foils, while his Dalmatian dog was regaled with spotted dog pudding. Most of us went on dancing until four A. M.

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On Christmas night there was a gala dinner... what a turckey !... at C'an Anet. Among the numerous guests were Miss Ulla Pers, the sister of Mrs. Lyons, who has scored a notable success as a dancer in Madrid.

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When Mrs. Dmitri Tsaplin was in Barcelona recently on her way to Madrid for her husband's exhibition several bombs went off in the vicinity of her hotel. She is longing to return to the comparative calm of Mallorca.

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To-night, New Year's Eve, there will be parties at C'an Anet and the Es Pins Bar. At the former there will be all sorts of surprises, while at Es Pins Victor promises hot Tom and Jerries on the house at midnight.

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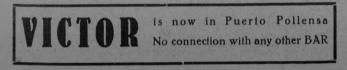
ing, Mr. and Mrs. G. Balentine who are here for the season, Mrs. E. A. Wheeler and Mr. James Woolridge.

Mrs. Sydney Jackson will entertain at dinner tonight and those whom she has invited to usher in the new year in the approved fashion are Mr. and Mrs., Donald Newhall, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gavett and Mr. Walton Blodgett. After dinner she plans to take her guests to see the celebrations in other parts of town.

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Major Percy Bailey left for England Saturday, with plans uncertain, but it is possible that he will return here later in the season.

The Morisco plans great gaiety on New Years Eve, and they will feature as an amusing high spot of the evening the raffling of a tender, succulent young pig.



Dec. 31, 1933

Englishman Who Forgot Passport Sent Back to Barcelona

Held All Day in Police Station Despite Efforts of British Vice Consul and Friends to Persuade Authorities to Let Prisoner Spend Holidays in Palma

In travelling about Spain, the foreigner should always have his passport with him. That rule has been honoured in the breach for years, but the new regulations governing the admission of foreigners to the Balearics seem to have made the authorities in Palma strict. A young member of Barcelona's English colony has found that out, and has described his experience as a warning to those as heedless as he used to be.

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He was going to Palma to visit friends there for the Christmas weekend, but he left his passport at home. On arrival, this explanation left the officials unmoved and they took him to the police headquarters, where he was held all day, and sent back to Barcelona on the same night's boat.

At the station he waited until eleven in the morning for the chief of police to arrive and take up his case. Meanwhile his friends had appealed to the British Vice Consul, Commander Hillgarth, and he arrived to vouch for the visitor. But since the young man had no official documents of any kind to identify him, neither the Consular request nor the statements of several residents, Mallorquin as well as English, would suffice. The prisoner was allowed to go out once in the company of a guardia, but was refused this favour upon a second request. He was not allowed 'to telephone, but could send out for his meals. His friends kept him company, as did two other prisoners, a Cuban tramp and his daughter, who shared the Englishman's misfortune in the matter of documents—and his dinner.

His suggestion that he be allowed to telegraph Barcelona to have his passport sent after him was denied by the authorities and he has returned to Barcelona resolved never to forget the document again.

Cabinet Considers Petition

The petition signed by various associations in the Balearics against the Madrid regulations concerning foreign visitors to these Islands is now being considered by the Cabinet, having been taken to the capital by one of Mallorca's Deputies to the Cortes. It is believed in Palma that changes in the decree will be made before the date on which it was to be enforced, Jan. 4th.

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