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PRIMER FOR PATRIOTS

By N. J.

THERE has been a certain amount but not enough discussion in recent years concerning the difficulties in which the so-called civilization of the world has become involved and the plans of the super-brains for the immediate or gradual overcoming of these difficulties. A few people seem to understand what is being attempted, others appear stubbornly disinterested and some, willing enough to fall into line with those who can see the way to improvement, can neither make head nor tail of the technicalities of the possible solution.

Problems and Answers

When the human race consisted of a few scattered bands it hunted for sustenance until, after a certain length of time, game and fish became scarce and cultivation proved necessary. With the tilling of the soil fixed communities came into existence, making the storing of grain indispensable, while meat was «stored» on the hoof through the maintenance of flocks. The store was a community affair, with the headman in charge of the rations. Actually, it was the first bank, a stronghold with food as the valuable commodity. To obtain the right to your portion of food you had to work, to become a producer in order to be a consumer. Way back in those primitive times the first dim murmur arose of that slogan, «No work, no food.»

Evolution

The community soon outgrew its storehouse, and for interchange of trade with other communities money of various kinds was found to be convenient. In the course of evolution the communities developed into tribes under a headman. This headman needed lieutenants to help with the rationing, armed guards to protect the treasure from neighbouring tribes, and soldiers for foraging and guarding border lines. The threat of «No work, no pay» was maintained over the lot in order to guarantee satisfactory results. This system has worked for centuries, with varying success, and with a varying margin of starvation. Therefore the threat must stand — we must maintain our institutions, or the tribe will

perish. We must guard our grain, hoard it, we must maintain the habit of the fear of starvation, and we must fear aggressive and raiding neighbours.

Surplus

Under this system a great surplus was built up. Enormous nuggets of gold were dug out of the ground, and another great hole dug and lined with concrete and steel for all the gold to be put down into, tightly sealed and labelled «Surplus.» With this surplus in the hole, the tribe was able to devise many labour-saving machines which, in their turn, made a surplus of commodities, intensified agriculture and perfected distribution. The tribe now had a great surplus of food, so had to dig another big hole, this time lined with refrigerator tubes, to put the surplus aside in. The habit of fear had to be encouraged, at all costs.

Now, the headman was finding things difficult. A great number—perhaps another surplus—of ploughboys, cowboys, loomboys, potboys, cabinboys, all kinds of boys came to him for direction. «We have no work,» they said, «but we must eat.»

«You boys all know the rule,» the headman replied. «No work, no eats.» «But couldn't you give us some of the food you put down the hole?» «No, no. That is the surplus. That is locked and sealed by the owners.» «But,» remarked a ploughboy, «I thought you had charge of the rations.» «So I have. But I can only give you things for work done. If I gave you some of this surplus I would be exceeding my authority. I would be extending credit, which happens to be impossible. You would have to see the owners about that, and they have been in conference for several hundred years. They have to be very careful as to whom they extend credit. I take it you boys have no security? But, by the way, the dictator may have jobs for you. We have plans to put a fence around the country, and he expects a spot of trouble about some disputed territory.»

«We all have the habit of fear, your honour,» said the ploughboy, «and we all fear starvation. Death from gunfire may be less painful, but it is just as final.»

«Oh, the dictator doesn't want you to fight,» came the assurance. «We have

trained killers for that job. You see, times are changing. To get along nowadays you must specialize. And that brings me to the point. I would suggest that you become professional diggers. There is a new project coming along that will employ thousands of unemployed. The owners, you see, are a trifle nervous about gas, so they are going to make a modern underground city with speedways and a golfcourse and an artificial lake with a tropical island electrically heated and lighted.»

The ploughboy asked when this colossal project was to get under way.

He excused his apparent eagerness by saying the matter was urgent, as they had been unemployed for several weeks. «And,» he added, «you know the rules.»

Solution

«Under the circumstances,» the headman said, «I will excuse your impetuosity, for I know you to be good, loyal nationals and proud of your country. In what other tribe could you find men free, with the power of choice? You boys who like the open spaces can dig post-holes, while those of you who like inside jobs can work in the excavation. In all fairness, however, I must tell you that, although the two projects are going ahead at the same time, the underground one must be finished before the fencing job arrives at the disputed part. You can readily see that the owners will insist on getting settled and sealed in before there is a possibility of any gas nuisance. Well, you really must excuse me now. But I have saved the best for the last. You will be glad to hear that I have been empowered to give you this dole dollar so that you need not work the first day on an empty stomach. Good luck.»

«Boys,» cried the ploughboy, when they had left the headman, «this is the beginning of the new age. The day that I never expected to see in my lifetime. The beginning of social credit. We are valuable first as consumers, then, after that, we are producers. When there is an over-supply of food, then it becomes necessary to change the slogan. Instead of «No work, no eats» let us cry «If you don't eat you mayn't work!» Now, come on — all together.....»

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Stephen Simkovitch who plans to be frozen into a lump of ice has gone into training for this feat. He is living on soups and other liquids which he feels will put him in shape to be chilled. Dr. Willard, who plans to carry out the revivication of Mr. Simkovitch after this cool bit of work is afraid that the authorities may step in, forbidding it. In which case he says he will take the patient to Mexico. Simkovitch is to be put away at a temperature of 2 degrees Fahrenheit.

Sacrilegious Robbery

Over one hundred objects of artistic and intrinsic value were stolen last Monday from glass-fronted exhibition cases in the Treasury of Pamplona Cathedral. The robbery is thought to have been committed by two foreigners, one posing as a Spanish count, who have been paying daily visits to «study» the treasure.

The police are hopeful, as many of the articles are too well known to be easily disposed of. There is every likelihood that the thieves succeeded in crossing into France, so that the robbery has now become an international matter.

A Rolling Hotel

The limousine, an Isotta Fraschini, which formerly belonged to Ivar Kreuger is now for sale in Paris for a small sum. The car, which was a small hotel on wheels, cost the financier four thousand pounds and was supposed to be the finest car possible to buy. The mudguards and hood are of silver and the interior fittings are of hand-

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wrought iron. It is not unlike the Cadillac in which rode Al Capone, king of Chicago's underworld in his heyday, except that the latter was heavily armoured. It was later sold for junk.

Fastnet Race

Stormy Weather, an American yacht owned by Philip Leboutillier and skippered by Roderick Stevens, Jr. won the English ocean classic, the Fastnet Race. This is one of the hardest of all ocean grinds, covering as it does almost 600 sea miles, with treacherous and hard weather invariably to be met with. The *Stormy Weather* also won the Newport to Bergen Race across the North Atlantic this year.

Sir Basil Blackett

Sir Basil Blackett, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., met his death on Thursday in a motor-car crash in Germany. The accident occurred at a grade crossing, the car being struck by an express. Sir Basil was a director of the Bank of England and also Financial Minister to India. He was, as well, a director of several communication companies in England.

Market Moves Upward

Headlines reminiscent of the days of '28 and '29 are appearing in the American press. Last Monday Wall Street had its biggest day since July, 1934, and the continued upward surge brought a sale of 2,310,000 shares, and a marked gain in Common Stocks. Undoubtedly improved business is back of the boom, particularly the optimistic tone of the General Motors announcement of its expansion programme.

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Italian Flood

A committee of investigation has been hurried to the scene of Italy's disastrous flood of Wednesday at Ovada. The heavy rain caused a rise of fifteen feet in the level of the water in the lake. This increased pressure broke down one of the smaller dikes which was used to hold water for the hydro plant.

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BARCELONA SOCIAL NOTES

Carlotta, the small daughter of Mrs. Henry Allen, who was badly bitten by a dog recently, is reported to be making excellent progress under the care of Dr. Henriquez. It is believed that no scar will result from the injury.

Miss Laura Jackson, of Mobile, Ala. is staying in Barcelona after a visit to the Spanish Cantabrian resorts.

Mr. T. Amore left for England on Thursday for a short holiday.

An interesting arrival in Barcelona is Miss Victoria Kingsley, who is well known in London for her fine guitar playing. Miss Kingsley, who also sings in six languages, is hoping to add some Catalan folksongs to her repertoire before returning to London for her theatrical and radio engagements. Before leaving Spain she will visit Palma for a few days.

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Mr. Edward L. Mills, who is doing research work in Gothic Architecture in Spain, has left Barcelona for a few days voyage into the hinterland in search of cloisters new and forgotten fanes.

Mr. Pauncefort-Duncombe has returned from a climbing holiday in the Pyrenees. He says that there is a surprising amount of snow still lying on the higher peaks.

Mrs. John Hill, and her daughter, Shirley, have left Barcelona for Antwerp where they will remain for some weeks.

Mr. C. T. Darling, who has been awarded the scholarship of the Comité Hispano-Inglés, is leaving London shortly for Madrid, where he will spend a year.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Enfermeria Evangelica gratefully acknowledges the sum of Ptas. 950 from Mrs. Hughes, being the proceeds of the bridge drive and entertainment given at the British Club at the end of June.

Mrs. Breyfogle and her wee daughter, Joan, have just returned from Canada.

Talk of arranging a series of performances of Wagner's great opera, «Parsifal», to be given in an open-air theatre near Santa Cecilia, Montserrat, still continues in Barcelona, and it seems that before long definite arrangements will have been made to inaugurate this festival next Easter. Certainly no better setting could be found for the story of the Holy Grail than that offered by the site mentioned. With the beautiful Romanesque façade of Santa Cecilia in the foreground and the sheer precipices of Monsalvat as a colossal backdrop, scenic perfection, at least, will not be lacking.

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Mrs. Henderson Rider, who has been visiting Mrs. Alexander and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan at Sitges, is shortly going over to London with her son, Neil.

Mr. Ian Burne, who has recently returned from Scotland, is receiving many congratulations on the birth of an heir. Mrs. Burne and her infant son will not be coming out till the end of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Napier returned from England a few days ago looking very well and fit.

Mr. Barnett is another sufferer from a poisoned foot, but he, too, is better.

Mr. Cheshire, who was so seriously ill here a few weeks ago, underwent an operation shortly after his arrival in England. Friends in Barcelona hear from Mrs. Cheshire that he is doing well.

Mr. Hughes, too, we are pleased to report, is progressing and, with Mrs. Hughes, is leaving for London on Monday.

Mr. Frank Park reports, after a recent visit to the Costa Brava, that Tossa is overflowing with English and German visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Welsch and their daughter, Anita, have left for the Black Forest. Mrs. Baruch, who has been visiting friends in Majorca, returned a day or two ago.

Mr. Gerald Hayward and Mr. Young are also back from their holiday.

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In England

Cricket

A not altogether satisfactory cricket season is drawing to a close and it behoves us to pause a moment and consider the state of the King of Games. Some years ago a parasite attacked the willow and a wail went up that a new medium must be found. Has the canker been stopped? Are the Governing bodies seriously taking thought and steps to check the progress of the disease? What is the prognosis? Let us study the symptoms.

We live in a somewhat «gutless» age, and corporeal punishment seems to be as out of favour as capital. A chorus of hysteria rises when someone is struck by a ball. Brutes! Savages! Where are the «cricket» police? The umpire accustomed to dodging nasty ones at square leg must be stolidly *unamused*. After all, the batsman has pads and gloves to protect himself, and a bat, the use of which is growing a little uncertain. All the *body-line* tomfoolery has resulted in a tender-heartedness which I should prefer to see in the S.P.C.A. or Anti-vivi-section wallahs. The flannelled fool is becoming a reality. Let us clap a mask on him and black his face; he deserves it. No one wants to see a promising young life wrecked by wanton carelessness, but surely there must be a yard stick for occupational risk. Men have been killed at cricket, men have been maimed and scarred, too. What about Rugby and Boxing? A wrenched cartilage or a deflected septum, a right shoulder that hurts when the weather is damp, or a limp that accentuates when one has been sitting on a touch line on some October afternoon, are these not honourable scars? We want everything skittles and beer in Sport to-day just as in Life. Soon the batsmen of England will be a legend like the bruisers.

Rugby

The All Blacks are on their way to England, and we are looking eagerly forward to their coming. They have apparently renounced heresy but the fixation of each forward in the scrum is a debatable point. The old system of «first up, first down» has been superseded by the hooker and wing forwards with a solid middle. We have watched

with increasing irritation the frantic efforts of the scrum-half to put in the ball. *Why doesn't the referee do it?* someone murmurs offside..... Modern Rugby has become a faster game, with more open play and less Tom Brown tactics. Weight, speed and passing ability have interchanged their order when examining the pretensions of a forward. They are perhaps forgetting to wheel and dribble. Is there a grander sight in the world than a side, penned in to their own «twenty-five», breaking away with the ball at their feet? The tense frown on the face of the full-back as he prowls up before throwing himself in front of the lumbering feet, to pick up off the toes of a Buchanan, to twist and dodge like a frantic eel and to achieve a neat kick before a heavy hand crushes him down! May the Gods preserve Rugger from Sporting Politicians!!! Also from the Sport Lawyer who makes rules that cannot be played to and that the referee cannot apply.

In Spain

Pelota

I have been turning to this in my decrepitude and with the enthusiasm of a convert ask if it is not very good fun, with the rueful reservation that it is a bit hard on the hands. Sitting enthralled in the Fronton and even forgetting to bet, I ruminate players must be caught young. However, one wonders how it goes down in England and what the Spanish reaction would be to cricket. Is the latter game impossible to the Latin temperament, or does temperament matter a hoot in sport?

Surely it ought to be confined to the opera stage and the movies!!

Personally, I think there is no nationality in Sport, and that the Englishman will be forgiven his many crimes for the broadcasting of games. We need more playing of games, and more playing the game in this smouldering ash heap of a world. Who will found the Society of Sport and will it go the same dismal way as the League of Notions, of which the Palace was finished the other day??? So was Solomon's Temple, and not by the chap who started the idea either.

The Mystery of Elche

In the little alicantino city of Elche, the most African in appearance of any town in Spain, there is presented every year, in mid-August, an ancient mystery play, one of the few such still unspoiled by the almost universal commercialization of Passion Plays and their like. The subject is the Death and Assumption of the Virgin, which take place on two successive days in the church of Santa Maria, and the actors are people of the town, carefully chosen for both their acting ability.

It is a musical play entirely, the music being of even greater antiquity than the text, this latter having been revised into the form still used during the XIVth. century. The characters are the Virgin, two attendant Marys, the Apostles, a group of Jews, and various angels, with a group of the Elect who act as chorus. Costuming and decorations are the work of the devout of the parish, and have followed the same models for countless years.

With great wisdom, the Spanish Government has declared this performance a National Monument, thus ensuring, so far as possible, that it will remain unchanged and unspoiled for many years to come. Modern influence caused it to be broadcast over the radio this year, and television is suggested as a future possibility.

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Beauty

A few points to remember.... for better or worse!

If you want to wear a backless evening frock, but your shoulder blades protrude thinly, put them in the shade by rouging them very lightly, with a rose or coral rouge.

When applying or removing cream, stroke *upward*, never downward. Apply the cream by making little circles with the cushions of the fingers, starting at the chin, and working upwards towards the temples. Then gently spread the cream until your entire face is covered.

One of the greatest aids to beauty is the complexion brush, if used properly. It's grand for working in that nourishing cream. After having spread it on, take the brush and brush your face lightly, following the same motions that you would with your hands, if you were massaging.

If you hate polishing your nails, there's a new polisher which has just come out. It not only saves time but suppresses that wearying scrubbing movement with a buffer. This polisher revolves, and has little chamois leather slots for all your fingers. All you have to do is fit your hand into it, turn it round two or three times, and your finger nails are beautifully bright.

Many beauty experts claim that the white of an egg allowed to dry thoroughly after having spread it over face and neck, then removed with a towel dipped in warm water, is one of the finest beauty masks that can be used. Following this tightening treatment for the skin, the face is rubbed for three minutes with ice.

Before applying rouge to your cheeks, study your face carefully. If your face is triangular, rouge the cheekbones a bit more than the rest of the cheeks, but blend it so that one has to look twice to realize there is a higher colour. If your face is oval shaped, apply the rouge lightly all over. With a half-moon face use high colouring, but blend toward the temples.

If eyebrow plucking is painful to you, try using a hot application before you begin to pluck. Press a wad of cotton

soaked in hot water over each brow for a few minutes. This opens the pores, and makes the very tedious job of eyebrow plucking a cinch.

Recipes

Two traditional, and very popular Russian dishes:

Piroshki

These are meat-filled patties, usually served with soup.

The dough is made of the yolks of two eggs, a quarter of a pound of butter, two tablespoonful of cream, half a pound of flour, a teaspoonful of sugar and a dash of salt. This dough is rolled out and cut in small uniform pieces with a cookie-cutter. A teaspoonful of filling is placed between the two pieces, which are pressed together, brushed with a coating of egg and put in the oven to brown.

The filling consists of half-a-pound of veal or chicken, chopped, two hard boiled eggs, chopped, and minced parsley. A little gravy is added, and the mixture is cooked for ten minutes. Small pieces of crisply cooked bacon mixed with minced fried onion can be alternated as a filling for the piroshki.

This amount is enough to serve six people.

Bitki

Two pounds of top round steak are diced and browned in a pan. A little water is then added, and the meat is simmered for half-an-hour, when it is mixed with a pint of sour cream, salt and pepper to taste, and half a pound of mushrooms, which have first been chopped and browned with onions. The dish is covered with a gravy of sour cream, flour and butter, then baked in the oven till a crust is formed on top. This must be served in its baking-dish.

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Questions should be addressed to Mr. Harris, of THE SPANISH NEWS AND MAJORCA SUN, enclosing a stamped and addressed envelope.

The correct solution of the following problem will be given in our next issue.

Problem No. 4

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H-Q, 7.
D-A, 8.
C-----

NORTH
W E S-8, 4, 2.
H----- A H-----
D-Q, 9. S S D-5.
C-10, 8. T T C-Q, 6.

SOUTH
S-K, J, 7.
H-----
D-6.
C-9, 5.

Hearts are trumps. South leads. Can you (South) make six against any defense?

Solution to Problem No. 3

South leads a trump, North discards heart jack. South leads a heart to the king. North leads a club, South discarding a diamond. West now must lead either a club or a diamond, and either play allows South to win and cash his remaining trumps, thus squeezing West in both suits. East must discard his high diamonds, so as not to be forced into the lead.

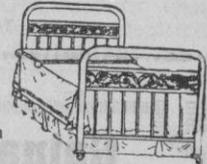
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London Letter

It would be interesting to be able to watch the moves made behind the scenes when rebuilding proposals are greeted with a storm of protest, the protests die, the scheme is (apparently) forgotten, and is quietly transformed into factual reality before anybody has had time to wake up to what is happening.

This is the situation of the Adelphi rebuilding plans. When the scheme was first mooted some time ago, protests from organizations and individuals rose to unaccustomed heights, the favourite expression of the protestants being «vandalism.» The promoters of the scheme waved their hands in vague, conciliatory gestures, and the matter stayed as it was. As it was is right, because tenants of Adelphi Terrace and John, Robert and Adam Streets have just received notice to quit.

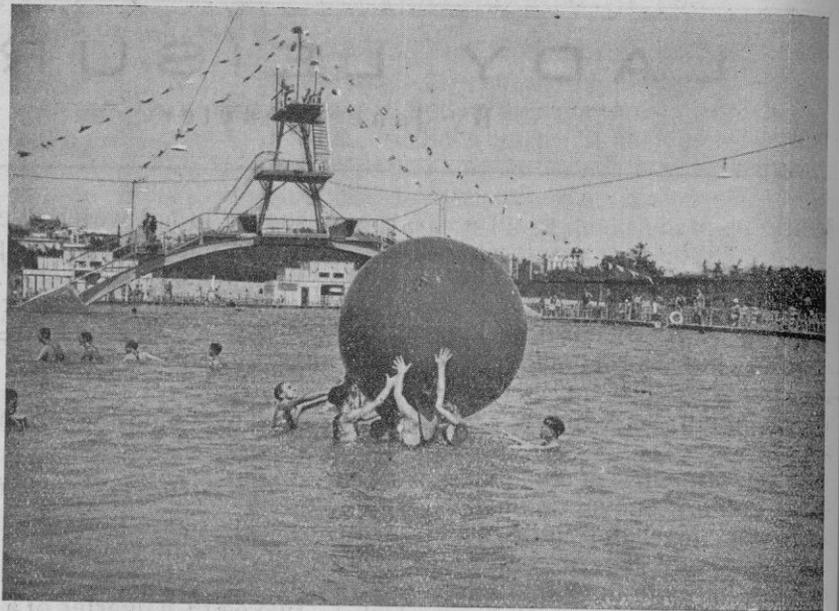
The quiet beauty of the Adelphi is to be transformed, in the name of progress and dividends, into a block of flats which, it is proudly said, will equal the Savoy Hotel in height, which must be quite an achievement. To be fair, the flat-building project is, at least, drawing attention to the Embankment, which must surely be one of the most neglected highways in any European capital, with a view on the opposite side of the river as ugly and depressing as you will find anywhere.

The face of London is being lifted pretty thoroughly these days, and you won't recognize it soon. Oxford Street is in the throes of rebuilding, with a new, modern and enormous store for D.H. Evans which will probably make the rest of the street look a little dowdy and faded; the quiet gentility of Sloane Square is being violated by riveters and plate glass experts who are going to give Peter Jones that 1935 look—which means something grimly modern; while even in Wapping, the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries are being shouldered aside to give a chance to we moderns.

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These festivities, which are so popular a feature of Barcelona's August, are more brilliant than ever this year. Lasting well into next week, with dances, cavalcades and general ebullition, they constitute the big moment of the people of Gracia. Foreigners who are in search of the *typical* will find it here—the women of Gracia, strange though it may seem, have quite different features from their sisters in the rest of the city. The great balls, which take place nightly in the Plaza del Sol where a gigantic and sumptuous tent is erected, complete with an acre of thick carpet, boxes and a first-class dance band, are a sight for the Gods. Here foregathers all the youth and beauty of the district in a flash of colour and perfume. The band plays on well into dawn, whilst the serried ranks of sleeping chaperones snore an oblivious accompaniment. As a hint to intending visitors, it should be remembered that the women must dress, and that entrance to the tents for the dance costs some three pesetas.

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"WE SHOULD ALL TRY TO BE...."

An Interview with Mr. Sydney S. Horen

«We should all try to be», said Mr. Horen, when asked what was his motto for success, «welcome guests in a foreign country. That is the attitude I have always adopted, and I hope that other foreigners will try to do the same thing.» That Mr. Horen's methods have been crowned with success is obvious. During his many years of interesting and interested work in Spanish-speaking countries he has acquired an enviable reputation for straight-shooting, fair dealing and a none-the-less enviable store of good friends.

Without any desire to rhapsodize over Mr. Horen, I should like to say that he seems to me to be almost the perfect type of businessman. Quick on the uptake, always to the point and never wasting time, he sits behind the vast acreage of his office table and answers questions with a smile. That, one might think, is not unusual, but contrasted with his big-business efficiency Mr. Horen also has time for the arts. In fact that is probably one of the reasons for his success, since his interest in Spanish literature has brought him into contact with many writers and poets whose work has been, and will be, translated to the screen. Mr. Horen's office, too, does not differ from any other, with its complement of telephones and labour—saving gadgets, except for the fact that upon its walls hang several excellent oil paintings of the modern Spanish school, and upon its shelves a corner is reserved for literature. Emil Ludwig's «Hindenburg» stands out bold amongst State Department records.

I congratulated Mr. Horen on having been honoured by the Spanish Government recently—he has been made an *Oficial de la Orden de la República Española*. «Well,» he said, «it came as great surprise to me. I knew nothing about it until it was announced at the banquet of Hispano-Fox Films.» Surprised he must have been, and pleasantly, too, but I felt that one could not have knocked him down with the classical feather. He is too sure of himself for that, and,

besides, he must have known, within himself, that he deserved it.

Anyone who has watched the increase in film production in Spain and the development of Spanish-spoken talkies generally, will realize how far Mr. Horen has been instrumental in raising the tone of this section of the industry. We have seen many films of a very mediocre type, unnatural, forced and devoid of



Mr. Horen (centre window) at the Hispano-Fox Films Banquet.

interest, usually. Most of us, also, have long realized the enormous possibilities of Spain and its people in connection with the film world. Mr. Horen, unique perhaps in this, has never been contented with a slipshod version of a Spanish story. The best has never been too good for him. The works of Martinez Sierra, and many other famous Spanish writers have been sought out by him. Recently he has chosen a work which should be an enormous success in this country—«Angelina, or the Honour of a Brigadier,» by Spain's Aldous Huxley, Jardiel Poncela.

«In March,» announced Mr. Horen, «we shall open our Spanish studios and work will start at once. We have an excellent programme, and everything about our films will be authentically, (and not in the touristic sense of the word) Spanish, from the actors down to our technicians. Our Spanish Movietone News, made in this country, is very popular and we shall, of course, continue it and enlarge its field. This week a film is being made of the *Misterio de Elche*, which is one of the most picturesque and important things of its kind in Europe. It will be distributed by Hispano-Fox Films through Spain and also abroad.» «What is your opinion on the future of the Film industry?» I asked him. «Enormous, of course, and the most important factor at the present moment is the Spanish side of the question. The great South and Central American markets have to be fed, and there is only one way of doing it. Marking movies in Spain with Spanish elements.»

As I left, I asked him about the war and the possibilities of making films of it, should it break out.

«War,» he exclaimed. «I hope not—I was in the last one and that was quite enough.» I asked for details and got them. Thus I learned how Shavetail Sydney S. Horen, of the 17th. Field Artillery, came to be honoured by the Spanish Republic. His whole record is one of intelligent understanding of the people with whom he comes into contact—and a grand sense of humour.

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Tossa de Mar, showing commencement of the Corniche

fairs. Don't try this road if you are nervous, or if you are not a good driver, but if you are neither of these things then do it, by all means, and take your bathing things. There are hundreds of curves, and the road runs at a mean level of some four hundred feet above the sea. Every now and then one catches a glimpse of tempting little coves, where the sea is the palest green above the sand, and where the breakers show white upon the jagged rocks. The mountains are covered with cork forests (one of Cataluña's main industries) and between the orange trunks of the barkless trees, yellow gorse grows in profusion. I hope that nobody ever builds a house on this tract. It will be wonderful for them, but the virgin beauty of this corniche will be spoiled for ever.

The Santander-Mediterráneo Railway Co.

At a recent meeting of the shareholders of the Anglo-Spanish Construction Co., who control the Railway Co., mentioned above, it was stated that while the deficit on the exploitation amounted to considerably less this year than on former occasions, there were still more than one million pounds outstanding as due from the Spanish Government. The Supreme Tribunal at Madrid has admitted the legitimacy of this claim, which is supported by the British Government. Coinciding with this comes the statement in the Spanish Press that the Supreme Tribunal has decided to quash the case against Don Alfonso de Borbón and others, in connection with the concession for the Ontaneda-Calatayud Railway, the exploitation of which was conceded to the Santander-Mediterráneo Railway Co.. The charges were of bribery and prevarication which prevented the operation of the Calatayud line. Through lack of concrete evidence, made all the more difficult to obtain owing to the change of régime in 1931, the judges have decided not to enforce the penalty of imprisonment on Ex-King Alfonso and the other persons concerned.

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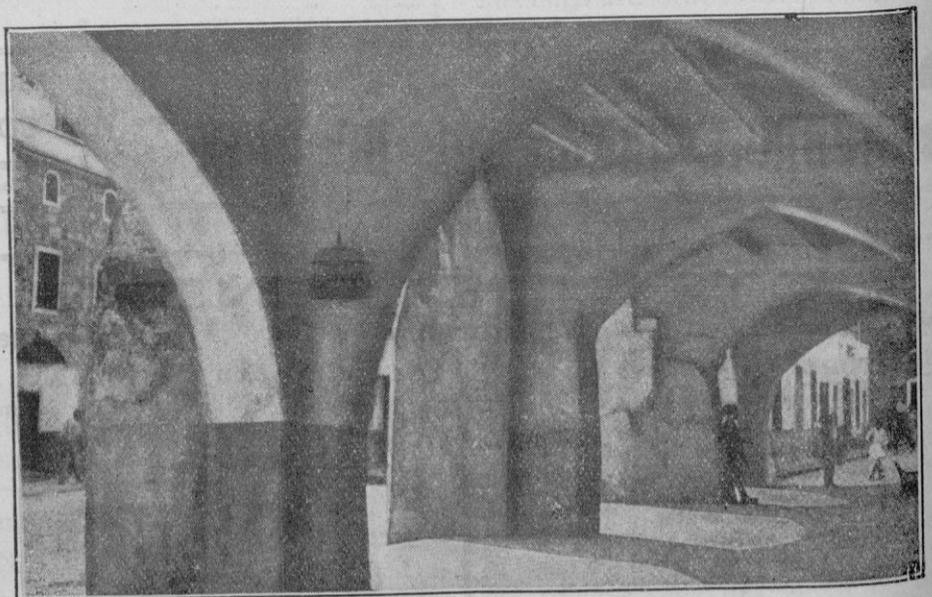
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Mr. Harry Fawkes returned to the Island early in the week after being away more than a year. He is here on business and does not expect to remain long. He is staying with Sr. and Sra. Alvaro de Urzaiz at their home out at Paguera.

Miss Aileen Wall leaves during the coming week for a short visit to England.

On Wednesday evening the Newhalls took out a party of friends on the *Picotee* for a supper picnic and moonlight sail. The supper, the sail and the moon were all that could be asked and it was late when they finally tied up at the moorings in front of the Yacht Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Paul arrived during the week at Ibiza for a long stay there. Mrs. Paul, the former Mrs. Flora Neal, is a daughter of Mrs. Dixie Re-wardt and was long a resident here in Palma. Her small son Millo and his nurse arrive on the 30th. of August.

We were lucky enough to be present at the Florida Bar out at the Hotel Playa, Camp de Mar, last Sunday evening when Mr. and Mrs. «Archie» Giddes sang. It was a real treat. They both have fine voices and when singing together are delightful to hear. They have a great selection of old folk songs and negro spirituals.

Mr. H. Tate, of Puerto Pollensa, left last Saturday for Capri, Naples and Rome.

The *Fleur de Lys*, Admiral Cumber-lege's yacht, is at St. Jean de Luz with Michael Cumberlege and Miss Nan Wooler on board, as well as Lady Norah and Mistral.

Saturday last at the Catalonia Hotel there was a gay dinner party arranged by Sir John Dunn, at which Captain Kane presided. Besides Sir John and the Cap-tain there were Mrs. T. P. Leaman, Mrs. Anne Bowman-Burns and Mr. Harry Galland. Afterwards some of the party moved on to Tito's for a last round or two.

Mrs. Marian Thompson Morse, of Puerto Pollensa, was in town early in the week. She was a recent hostess at a dinner party which she gave at C'an Anet in the Puerto. She had as her guests Countess du Coudrey, Baroness von Behr, Mr. and Miss Harris, Major Chanter, Major Johnson, Captain and Mrs. Tatten, Miss Bailey, Miss Jean Hutchinson, Sr. and Sra. Seguí, Miss Leonard, Miss Freece, Mrs. Massey, Mr. Hamilton and Miss Mercedes Weston.

We haven't been able to learn of any foreigners who were lucky enough to have any *decimos* of the winning number of the last lottery, the first prize, or *gor-do*, of which came to Palma. It was sold in the little shop on the Calle Sindicato near the Banco Hispano-Americano. We can think of lots of good schemes for anyone who may have won and wishes to invest the money.

Thursday was a day of mingled emotions for parents. The summer camp of the Ecole Internationale closed that day and all the youngsters came back under their parental roofs. How nice it is to have the children home again but how nice and quiet it was while they were away. They all came back tanned a dark mahogany and started at once counting the days until next year's camp opens. Mr. Ogden, we imagine, will be going away shortly for a rest, but we doubt that it will be to a camp.

Mrs. Pers, mother of the dancer whose residence here is in Pollensa, passed through Palma on Wednesday last on her way home to Copenhagen. She is going there to sell her house, and once this is accomplished hopes to return to Mallorca, possibly at the end of September.



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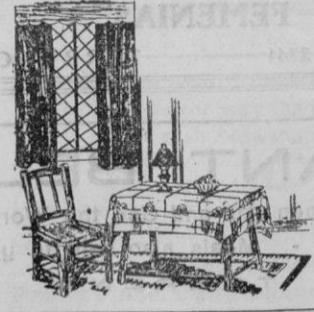
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There will be many who will be disappointed to learn that the Rev. J. B. de Forbes, pastor of the English Church here, is not to return this fall. He has been transferred by the Bishop, to Palermo, Italy. His successor has not as yet been chosen. Rev. Forbes had become almost an institution here, and at the Hotel Victoria where he stayed his absence will also be felt. It must be particularly disappointing to him to be transferred at this time as he had worked very hard toward raising money and planning the new quarters of the English Church in Terreno, which is now one of the most charming places of Protestant worship in Spain. It is possible that the Bishop of Gibraltar, influenced perhaps by a certain part of the British protestant community here, has decided that a younger man is needed. All hope that his successor will be at least as kindly a soul as Rev. Forbes.

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Mrs. Pauline Leser's many friends will be glad to learn that she is slowly regaining her health. She is in the clinic of Dr. Valdés.

Ode to Orthography

Each week, when we write
Our notes of the folks
Who go out to wine and dine,
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Just how to spell
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You wise guys say,
«And also an E and an R.»
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You can have either way,
But Bealey is harder by far.

Now, should it be U?
Is there one E, or two?
And is there a call for an A?
Well, let's let it go—
(He's a grand chap, you know,
And *perhaps* will have nothing to say.)

Mr. Wilkens with E,
And MacCormack with A
Are easy compared with Forsyth.
But what gets us down
To near quitting town
Is Natacha Rambova Urzaiz.

Dreibergs and Gorskas
And Brenda Dean Paul's are
Names that we hash every day,
While out at Andraitx
There's a name with a catch,
It's Nimmo, or Nemmo—*no se.*

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newhall belong to that fortunate tribe of people who not only possess a yacht on which to tour the blue Mediterranean, but also a delightful home overlooking same. Their cool terrace in Bonanova was the scene of a cocktail party on Thursday last, to which quite a crowd were invited, including Mr. and Mrs. Talcott Camp, Mr. Peter Owen and his sister, Mrs. John Lowry, Mr. and Mrs. Mather, Mrs. Bowman Burns and Miss Aileen Wall. Some of the guests stayed on for supper, and a swift game of poker put the finishing touch to a most successful party.

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The Rev. C.M. Stotherts, Vicar of All Saints, East Clevedon, and his brother-in-law, the Rev. E.B.M. Sheppard, of St. Paul's, Maidenhead, have been staying at the Marina de la Playa.

Miss Jessie Williamson expects to leave for England about the 23rd. of this month, but hopes to return.

Mr. David Kenworthy, son of Commander Kenworthy, has left the Villa Margarita and is staying at the Puerto.

Several yachts have taken refuge from the angry seas here recently, one of them being, we believe, the *Martinetta*. The weather is much cooler now, and those who happened to be suffering from the heat are visably reviving.

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To:—The Editor.

Dear Sir,

Your comments on a recent case I read with much satisfaction. They were solid; they were convincing and eloquent; and they ought, on the spot, to have produced that effect which they cannot possibly fail to produce here after.

If someone falls foul of the law and goes to prison, it is right and proper that his interests should be protected by his country, and I am far from denying the right of fair criticism in the Press. At the same time I deplore the campaign of exaggeration and hysteria which arises automatically after every fracas between «celebrities» and the local authorities.

It is the obligation of every foreigner to respect and support the law of the country in which he is a temporary resident. If the law be harsh or unjust, or if its application be vigorous, and to our own eyes a little stupid, the same exists in every country.

The worst of the matter is this — a misinformed, vapid and reckless London paper publishes the most absurd stories which vilify the country whose guests we are and create a hostile feeling in the breasts of its citizens. I therefore appeal to you to continue in your campaign of fair criticism and comment, and further, Sir, to denounce those so-called foreign correspondents who — no doubt anxious to please their lords and masters — spit venom and splatter mud on the floors of their hosts.

It is doubly galling to those of us who work side by side with Spaniards to hear and see this great country traduced. Spanish hospitality is proverbial and always extended to those who merit it, so it needs no defence. The present state of political and financial crisis makes tolerance, good fellowship and respect for the law more than ever binding on all decent people.

Drunken tourists are not the only cross that a country has to bear (though Spain's quota seems to be unusually heavy — a drunken Spaniard is a rarity) and if anyone smacks a policeman or wantonly criticizes his hosts, I say «Let the law take its course.» These outsiders have the Consuls to protect them, and my sympathy goes out to those unfortunate and unfailingly helpful Officers, and not to some silly idiot whose ignorance of the law and nit-wit bad manners land him in trouble.

May I conclude by a further protest against a certain section of the British Press that paints Barcelona as a hot-bed of thieves, bandits and apes? The great city in which it is my privilege to live is neither a Cinema Chicago nor a modern Sodom and Gomorrah. It stands second to none in its hospitality to tourists (one of the local sports is to go down to the quay to see the drunken English tourists

embark or be embarked), its tolerance for their eccentricities in clothing and manners, and its desire to maintain law and order. Martial law is applied with a wisdom which astonishes me by its clemency.

I venture to hope that you will find space for this protest against the injustice, scurrility and virulence of the frail and hysterical London Press. Blessed be not the complaining tongue, but blessed the amending hand. I admire Spain, a sportsman's country, whose only defect is that in her humanity she is too tolerant of the attacks which are levelled upon her by sensation-seeking journalists.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

«Observer.»

To:—The Editor.

Sir,

I wonder if any of your readers could explain to me the mystery of the Spanish tambourine? I have noticed that so many tourists provide themselves with them before leaving Spain, but they are mostly sold in shops that cater only for travellers. They usually have painted on them, none too well, the most horrifying of bull-fight scenes, and the prices asked are quite exorbitant. During the number of years I have spent in Spain, I have never seen a tambourine in use by a Spaniard, except once when a Gipsy danced with a very large one at the Kursaal in Seville. I am inclined to believe that the Spanish tambourine is a myth, invented by the tourists and supplied by the astute tradesmen, on the principle of demand creating supply. Would anyone tell me if there is any other explanation possible? Congratulating you on your paper, which is so welcome to us all here,

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«In order to examine the progress of Spiritism in this country I recently attended the seances of a private Spanish circle. For a few months I witnessed no phenomena which did not easily admit of explanations other than the hypothesis adopted by the Spiritists. On July 27th., however, I attended a session during which results were obtained which I think quite worth recording.

The circle had been experimenting with the table, obtaining responses which were relevant enough to appear intelligent, but not sufficiently accurate to constitute «evidence», when a big, fat, rather ugly woman went to sleep (let us call it) and, in a peculiar voice, made statements which amounted to the following:

She (he) was a boy of sixteen who had died three months ago, and he was very sad because he could not understand what we were trying to say to him, and also because he had lost touch with his parents, and particularly with his father. A member of the circle approached the medium, but she pushed him away, saying, «You are not my father.» Then somebody suggested that the real father of the boy, who was present, might speak to his son. This he did, with extraordinary results.

At the first word the woman jumped from her chair, and with a look of delighted recognition on her face which was quite memorable (though her eyes were completely closed in the hypnotic sleep) called out, «Padre, quiero volver a casa contigo.» (Father, let me go home with you.) If some members of the circle had not held her this large woman would have thrown herself on her beloved «father.» Due, however, to the efforts of those present to prevent such an embarrassing situation, she woke up.

What made this case of real interest was the fact that I ascertained to my satisfaction that the medium was not acquainted with either of the parents. The father told me that the peculiar way of speaking, and even the gestures, corresponded very closely to the speech and movements of his son, who had died three months previously. The mother said that a fortnight after his death her son appeared to her. This, of course, if it were an isolated incident, would have no evidential value, but in combination with the other data it is not without interest.

If, however, this case is to be taken seriously it seems obvious that the *spirits* are almost as limited on their side as we are on ours, for it should be observed that the deceased did not know that his father was present until spoken to by him.

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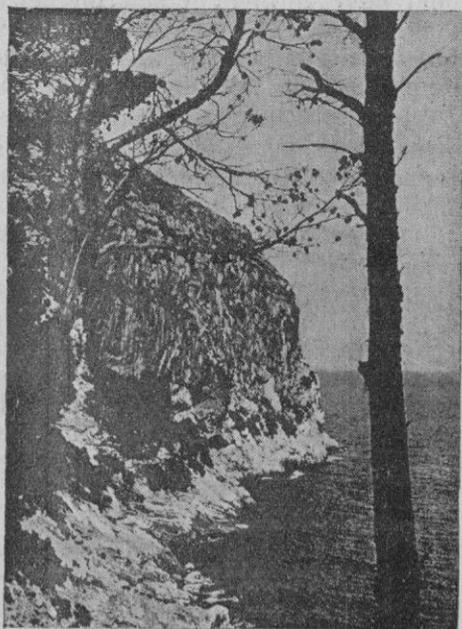
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Lieut.-Commander Alan J. Hillgarth, and the Hon. Mrs. Hillgarth, whose beautiful home, *Son Torrella*, is located near Santa Maria, are giving prizes for the winning costumes and the best pair of dancers.

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Santa Maria is but a short distance out of Palma on the Pollensa road, and the festival starts at 9 p.m.

Local Laureate

The old Terreno bard has been kind enough to give the SUN his latest work, for which we are most grateful and take great pleasure in printing. (Copyrighted in all languages, including the Scandinavian.)

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Cecil Aldin's Exmoor

A book has been recently published by Witherby entitled «Exmoor—The Riding Playground of England,» written by Cecil Aldin. It will possibly come as a surprise to the many friends and admirers of the late Mr. Aldin, not only to those here in Mallorca, where he spent so much of his time, but all over the world, for it shows a lesser known side of the famous artist.

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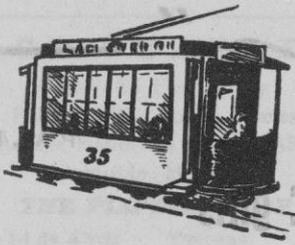
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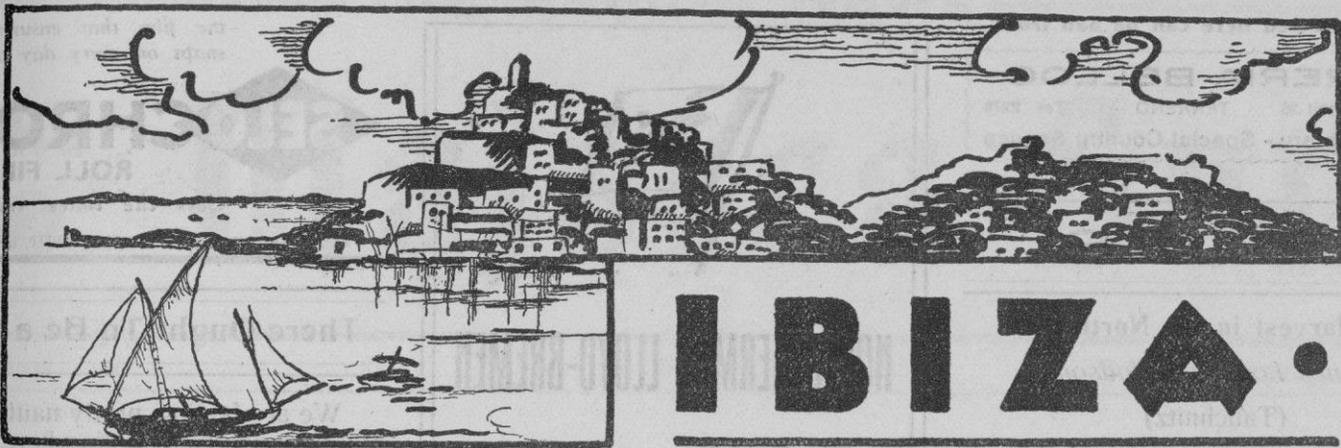
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Last Sunday was a great day, thanks to the interesting regattas organized by the Club Nautico of Ibiza, under the supervision of its President, Señor Costa. We could stand more of this sort of thing any time.

The parado de Valldemosa brought a larger audience than usual for the week-end *verbena* here. There was one very young couple who particularly distinguished themselves by their light and graceful movements. Modern dancing was kept up until the early hours of Monday morning.

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As an example of true north country speech and philosophy, take the following:

'«I see 'em goin' i' their fur-coats to draw t' dole an' they're off to Blackpool every 'oliday...»

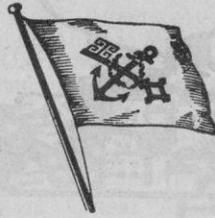
«Blackpool be jiggered. Why, dost know what I live on? I buys a peck of p'atoes and a dozen o' oatmeal an' that's aw I get. I'm frettened t' death I'st slip down t' rat-holes. Cat's had me on t' door-mat twice this week...»

«Aye, an' when things get better,» he said, «it'll be automatic looms for our firm,» he said. I said: «That's no bloody good to us.» «Naw,» he said, «I know it isn't...»

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We are feeling pretty nautical at this point, having been sailing here and there with friends for the past three or four days. It's a great sport, this sailing business. One must quickly acquire a brand new vocabulary and learn to call all sorts of ordinary things by funny names. Immediately upon setting out you become mixed up with a collection of ropes of all sizes, which aren't, you learn to your surprise, ropes at all but sheets and halyards and stops and goodness knows what.

And if you think that after descending a pair of stairs you are, by any chance, downstairs, don't kid yourself. You are below, and you had better make up your mind to that or you get into plenty of trouble. You always go sailing with people that have been before and they put you right very quickly. You will be quietly sitting on deck when the captain will yell at you to make something fast. This quaint phrase has, you will learn, nothing to do with being in a hurry. You are supposed to grab the end of some piece of rope lying about and tie a knot in it around one of those things that they put around on decks to trip over. These gadgets are called cleats and boat designers apparently vie with each other as to who can put the greatest number of them in any given deck space. The man who drew the plans for our ship won a first and two honourable mentions.

When it's time to go to bed (it is always quite late because it's nice sitting around on deck in the moonlight) you go downstairs and the captain points out a place and says that's yours. If you had expected to find anything that looked in the least bit like a bed, with feet and springs and all, you'll be completely fooled. There is nothing there at all, when suddenly, by untying a couple of ropes, a thing swings down from the wall and there you are. It's called a pipe berth and is a cross between a stretcher, and a hammock with a trace of mortuary table thrown in. These things, we imagine, are the reason for saying turn in when you mean go to bed because once in one of them there is no turning at all.

And privacy— don't mention it. The gold fish in its bowl leads the life of a hermit compared to existence on a boat. But it's all a great life and it keeps you out in the open air, and we're going again soon, thank goodness.

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