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## BRITISH SHIP RETURNS

### CAPTURED BY PIRATES

#### IN PARLIAMENT

LONDON, Friday

Captain Anthony Eden, Lord Privy Seal, replied to parliamentary questions yesterday regarding the recent seizure by Chinese pirates of the British steamship Tungchow, with seventy school children on board.

The ship, he informed the house, was due back at Shanghai yesterday. The British Consul General there would conduct a full inquiry into the circumstances in cooperation with the naval authorities and the municipal police.

Captain Eden was asked further whether the Government intended to make representations to the Chinese Government in order that the pirates might be traced to their lair ashore and punished. He pointed out in reply that close practical cooperation for the suppression of piracy in China exists between the British and Chinese navies. The action suggested, he said, would not serve any useful purpose at present.

#### Piracy Increasing

Piracy has been on the increase in China during the last two years, and more than once British ships have been chosen as the quarry. A case which attracted considerable attention in the press occurred last year.

Three British officers were captured and carried off by pirates

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## M. FLANDIN

### VICTORY IN THE CHAMBER

PARIS, Friday

The Cabinet of M. Flandin won its first real parliamentary battle yesterday when the Chamber of Deputies passed a motion of confidence in the Government by 308 votes to 262.

The question arose out of a resolution, moved by M. Brunet, a Socialist Deputy, that all the emergency decrees enacted hitherto by the Doumergue and Flandin Cabinets be examined by a special committee of investigation. The effect of the passing of the resolution would have been to endanger the whole economic and financial policy of the Government.

M. Flandin took the bull by the horns by declaring that the Government not only could not accept the principle of the appointment of such a committee, but was not even prepared to allow the House to discuss the question.

M. Doumergue's retrenchment legislation, the Premier stated, had already resulted in economies amounting to 2,500,000,000 francs. They would shortly be laid before the Chamber for endorsement.

To prevent M. Brunet's motion being debated M. Flandin demanded that the Chamber vote on the question of confidence. After M. Brunet and several other members had addressed the House, M. Flandin's motion was put to the vote, with the result already stated.

The victory of the Government was evident. It is equally clear, however, that many Radicals who disagree with the emergency decrees voted against the Government.

## EMPIRE RADIO LUNCHEON

### SOUTH AFRICAN MINISTERS

#### KING'S MESSAGE

LONDON, Friday

British Ministers and Ministers of the Union of South Africa, 6,000 miles away, delivered speeches at the same gathering when the first radio-telephonic luncheon of the Overseas League was held here yesterday.

The British Ministers were Sir Charles Kingsley Wood, Postmaster General, and Mr. J. H. Thomas, Secretary for the Dominions. The South African Ministers were General Herzog, Premier, and Senator Clarkson, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs.

The luncheon had been arranged in connection with the visit of the delegates to the Imperial Press Conference, now being held in South Africa, to the wireless transmitting station at Klipheuevel, in the Cape Province.

A message received from the King expressed the hope that the great discoveries made in radio telephony would further strengthen the friendly cooperation and understanding between the nations of the British Empire.

#### Doubled Air Mails

Sir Charles Kingsley Wood pointed out in his speech how necessary it now is for the minister responsible for communications to keep abreast of the times and to think ahead. He referred to the rapid growth in radio-telephonic traffic and to the 100 per cent increase in air mails as tokens of greater achievement in the future.

General Herzog spoke of improved conditions in South Africa. He expressed the belief that world economic recovery was conditional upon better understanding and goodwill amongst nations, and the displacement by mutual confidence of the distrust and fear now so largely holding sway.

«The outcome of the recent conversations between Great Britain and France,» added the South African Premier, «seems therefore to me to be a material step in the desired direction, and justly gives

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#### CRICKET

GEORGETOWN, Friday

The test cricket scores: British Guiana 102 and 284 for two wickets; M. C. C. 421.

## SOVIET CONGRESS

### ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENCE

Moscow, Friday

Any expectations of sensational pronouncements in the Seventh All-Russian Soviet Congress which ended Wednesday night were disappointed despite the fact the congress was the first to take place since 1931 and the present session was held shortly after the assassination of Kiroff, the Soviet leader, in Leningrad.

Apart from minor constitutional and electoral reforms, the only item of interest to the rest of the world was the proposal to increase the active Russian army to one million men.

In spite of revelations made in the press during the congress of further discoveries of «Trotzkyist nests» in different parts of Russia, speakers dismissed the idea that there was any serious opposition to the government, stating that there were left «only a few miserable remnants still vegetating in dark corners.»

The Soviet press, led by the government organ *Izvestia*, emphasizes that this congress has proved more clearly than ever that the mass of the population supports the government and thus the party executive.

The Central Executive Committee met yesterday and reelected all its members and officers, as was expected. The campaign to regain confidence following the murder of Kiroff will continue, it is understood.

Despite the assertions of the popularity and solidity of the government and the backing of the people which it is claimed the government has, the shooting of a high Communist leader by another Communist, in a manner which could only have been planned from the inside, has aroused the greatest consternation among party

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## ITALY AND AIR CONVENTION

### OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSAL

#### WAR DANGER

BERLIN, Friday

The Italian Government is reported to have notified the British and French Governments that the result of a preliminary examination of the proposed aerial mutual assistance pact it has certain objections to the form proposed.

The report comes from the Rome correspondent of the *Berliner Tageblatt*, who claims to have ascertained the facts from a trustworthy source. He states that the Italian Foreign Office is now preparing a memorandum setting forth its divergent views and making counterproposals.

The chief of the latter is that all the five powers signatory to the Locarno Treaty should subscribe to an air convention, all of them having the same rights and undertaking the same obligations.

«Opinion here,» says the *Tageblatt* correspondent, «is that Italy is being asked to become a party to a one-sided guarantee of Franco-German security, for which she obtains no equivalent.» He adds that Sir John Simon's argument that «on geographical grounds Italy's interests in the convention are small by no means coincide with Italian conceptions.

#### «One-Sided» Offer

In political circles in Rome it is considered that the air convention plan cannot be treated independently of the general question of security. If any signatory power were required to place its air forces at the disposal of another signatory power attacked, it is pointed out, such action would be equivalent

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## DEATHS FROM MOUNTAIN AVALANCHES

INNSBRUCK, Friday

Twenty victims of the avalanches which are incessantly occurring in this vicinity and in the Tyrol during the last few days have already been reported, and it is feared that this number will be exceeded.

In the Paznauner Valley in the Tyrol alone fifteen serious avalanches have taken place. The valley has been cut off from the outside world since Sunday. In the Arlberg district 300 yards of a 10,000 volt overhead cable were destroyed yesterday by an enormous avalanche, thus cutting off all electricity from more than twenty towns and villages.

Most of the victims of the Tyrolean avalanches have been peasants

living on the slopes of the mountains. No foreign mountain climbers have been reported as being among those caught in the snowslides.

Reports from Continental centres indicate a continuance of unusually severe winter weather, which has resulted in considerable damage and numerous casualties.

Avalanches in the Walser Valley have resulted in four deaths, while many peasants have been isolated for five days.

From Paris it is reported that high seas on the Brittany coast have swept away dykes and the sea has advanced a mile inland.

According to a Berlin message the rivers Rhine, Moselle, Maine, and

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## WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS FROM SAAR

SAARBRUECKEN, Friday

The Saar Committee of Three has now issued definite instructions as to the withdrawal of the foreign troops sent to the Saar for police duty during the plebiscite on January 13 last.

According to the decision of the committee the first detachment of troops to leave the territory will be the Dutch, who will go on Febr. 16.

They will be followed two days later by the Swedish troops. During the period from the nineteenth to the twenty-eighth of February equal contingents of British and Italian troops will entrain for their own countries, so that on the first of March, the day when the Saar is to be incorporated into the Reich, the last foreign soldier will have left the territory.

The committee is justly proud of the fact the plan for international

policing of the zone has worked as well as it has. There were strong doubts as to the possibility of effectiveness in keeping order in a disinterested manner.

Not until the last minute cooperation gained from the nations which finally sent contingents to the Saar. One of the first contingents approached with the plea of Switzerland, promptly and refused to participate under the circumstances.

It was thus feared that another nation would follow the lead of Switzerland, and for some weeks these fears were well founded. With the exception of a few incidents and quickly adjusted incidents there was no trouble, and the withdrawal went off without disorder and according to the carefully laid plan of the Governing Commission of the Committee of Three.

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**PLACE DE LA CONCORDE**

There were no riots on the Pla-  
ce de la Concorde last Wednesday.  
The day proceeded almost norma-  
lly, like any other day in the big  
historical square, with the ex-  
ception that there were strangely  
large numbers of troops drawn up  
on the square.

Wednesday was the first  
anniversary of the bloody riots in  
the square when people were killed  
and wounded by rifle and mach-  
et fire, when troops and police  
cut their heads, when the govern-  
ment of France nearly lost their  
heads and when the people of Paris  
rose and asserted themselves  
with indignation and disgust with  
their leaders.

The Daladier government did  
not succeed in regaining the quasi-confi-  
dence of the people which French  
governments always manage to get in  
some way or another.

The shots fired on February  
4 in the Place de la Concorde  
did not cease reverberating.  
The day proved that even the  
best people can be driven so far  
as to further by liars and thieves  
the government office. And the men  
succeeded in the places in the  
government left vacant as a res-  
ult of the Place de la Concorde up-  
rising have trod the legislative  
square more circumspectly and car-  
efully because of it.

As a part, the lesson has been  
learned. The handling of the crowd  
on that terrible day last year was an  
lesson which apparently has  
been digested also. If a deputy had  
screamed with fear and ret-  
reated across the Seine to the  
number building, shouting to the  
crowd to fire as he did so, there  
might have been less loss of life.

A police chief who arrived late  
last night had known what  
was going on if the captain of the mount-  
ed garde Republicaine had real-  
ized what it means to use sabers  
on a civilian crowd in peace time,  
doubtful if February 6 would  
be remembered for what it is in  
the future.

The event is past, and less-  
ons are learned, at least in part.  
There were no disturbances this  
morning and that is something.

**ON THE ISLAND**

*By The Wayfarer*

Doctor and Mrs. George Alexan-  
der Alekhine left Palma yesterday  
for Ibiza, where Doctor Alekhine  
will take part in several exhibi-  
tion chess matches. The world  
chess champion and his wife re-  
mained in Palma for a much lon-  
ger visit than they originally plan-  
ed to make in Mallorca, but the  
enthusiastic welcome accorded  
them by the local chess players  
encouraged Dr. Alekhine to prolong  
this stay. During their visit on the  
Island, Dr. and Mrs. Alekhine were  
guests at the Grand Hotel.

**LEFT:—**

Among those who have chosen  
this week for their return to Eng-  
land are the following: Miss C. G.  
Chambers, Miss G. Travers, Mr.  
and Mrs. S. G. Sealy, and Mrs. M.  
V. Carter. They sailed for England  
yesterday on the Durham Castle.  
Mr. L. Wallace also left for his home  
in London this week.

**WATER:—**

There was a bit of commotion  
on the quiet thoroughfare known as  
the Villalonga in El Terreno on  
Wednesday. From a third storey  
flat apparently unoccupied at the  
time came a steady and rather  
disconcerting stream of nice clean  
city water. Occupants of the lower  
flats objected. The water contin-  
ued, however, until Miss Mable  
Buck returned to her home and  
closed the faucet. Repair costs run  
into four figures.

**ARRIVALS:—**

Recent arrivals on the Island

from England include the follow-  
ing: Miss Mallaney, Mrs. J. E. Mil-  
ne, Mr and Mrs. D. D. Morton, Re-  
verend and Mrs. O' Flaherty, Mr.  
and Mrs. G. Ormerod, Miss H. J.  
Ostler, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Patter-  
son, and Miss B. E. Pearson. The  
above named all embarked in Li-  
verpool on the last Henderson line  
steamer.

**NOTED VISITOR:—**

A notable arrival of the last week  
is Admiral Nelson Ward who arrived  
in Palma on the Kemmendine. He  
will spend a short holiday on the  
Island.

**PRIZES:—**

During the month of February  
the anniversary of Tito's will be  
celebrated in that caravanserai.  
There will be special galas and spe-  
cial attractions for them, and dur-  
ing the month there will be a cover  
charge of three pesetas on Gala,  
Thursday, Saturday and Sunday  
nights. A portion of the cover charge  
will be put aside for a cash  
prize to be awarded on the spin  
of a wheel to a lucky customer  
each night. That, Mr. Bennett Fey  
points out with pardonable pride,  
means that the more customers  
there are, the bigger the prizes  
will be.

**WE HEAR:—**

From an unofficial source it is  
being said that Mr. John Dos Pas-  
sos will soon visit the Balearic Is-  
lands. Mr. Dos Passos, it is said,  
will include the Islands on his regu-  
lar visit to Spain. The author of

numerous well known books in-  
cluding «The Soldiers», «1919»,  
«The 42nd Parallel» and «Manhat-  
tan Transfer», Mr. John Dos Pas-  
sos is one of America's leading  
writers.

**HERE AND THERE:—**

Friends of Mrs. Maude were hap-  
py to see her on the tennis courts  
the other day, completely recov-  
ered from her recent illness. Mrs  
Maude is staying at the Hotel Al-  
fonso.

Mr. Arthur J. Pasley of Vancou-  
ver, Canada, left Palma for Bar-  
celona this week. He has been on  
the Island for several months whe-  
re he was a guest at the House  
Cecile.

The Mallorca Junior Club expects  
to enter the publishing field with a  
school paper to be called «Mallor-  
ca Calling». The new publication  
will be edited by students.

**MOON:—**

The Wayfarer is sorry to have  
to report that his favourite and  
so far infallible weather prophet  
predicts a change for the worse  
with the next quarter moon. The  
latter is a reminder that Mr. and  
Mrs. Murray Rosenstein of Sault  
Ste. Marie, Ontario, are expected to  
arrive in Palma within a short time.  
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by HARRY GALLAND

If I am any good at all in for-  
seeing events, then the prophecy  
I am about to make will come  
true within a very short time. And  
my prophecy is that Boojums will  
rise up and slay a certain girl,  
and the Criminal Investigation  
Department will sally forth in cars  
and afoot from Scotland Yard to  
solve the latest horrible murder and  
apprehend the criminal.

They might save themselves a  
lot of time—this is just a friendly  
tip—if they come straight to me  
and ask me what I know about  
it. For I am not only a great de-  
tective (there are those of my  
friends who substitute an «f» for  
a strategic position when I apply  
that term to myself) but I can also  
solve crimes before they are even  
committed.

Lest you think I am spoofing or  
have winged beasties in my belfry  
or both, let me explain at once. I  
know who Boojums is, and I know  
why he is going to commit this cri-  
me of slaying a woman. And fur-  
thermore, I don't in the least  
blame him.

Now a Follies or Cochran chorus  
girl who is beautiful can be and  
generally is excused if she is dumb.  
But Boojum's girl has never even  
seen the Follies from the front of  
the house, and Mr. Cochran never  
considered her worthy of a place  
among his bevy of beauties. You  
gather that Boojum's friend is all  
right, but they aren't taking the  
Venus de Milo out of the Louvre  
because of her.

Thus the girl has no real ex-  
cuse to be as dumb as she is, unless  
it is love. At the moment, however,  
Boojums is not completely in love  
and therefore not blinded to the  
girl's stupidity. Follow closely,  
please, and note that I have noth-  
ing up my sleeve. It isn't so ele-  
mentary, my dear Watson.

All right. You have the stage  
set and the motive, or part of it,  
for the crime. We now come to the  
provocation, which is Section D on  
page 14 of Lesson V in «How To  
Become A Great Detective.»

The girl loves Boojums. She is  
satisfactory but not ravishingly  
beautiful. She has therefore no  
right to do what she has done.  
Boojums is angry with her to beg-  
in with. And what does the girl do?

Why, she inserts a notice right  
spang at the top of the Agony  
Column of the «Daily Telegraph»  
for all the world to see, telling  
«Boojums» she is sorry and won't  
he come back. When he finds she  
is using that name for him, and  
using it in public for all the world  
to see, he will rush right around  
and shoot her—if he is any sort  
of man.

It is all very simple. When the  
crime is committed in a few days,  
I hope to be of service to the C.  
I. D., and I hope they won't for-  
get my address so the reward  
doesn't go astray. But I recom-  
mend mercy for Boojums. His crime  
is justified.

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## SPAIN'S NEW STAMPS

MADRID, Friday

The Asociación Francisco de Vitoria has addressed a petition to the Academies of History and of Fine Arts, asking that the names of Vitoria and Suárez be included in the list of worthies whose effigies are to appear on future issues of Spanish postage stamps.

The portrait of Francisco Vitoria, the founder of modern international law, is suggested as a design which should be reserved for the stamp used principally for foreign letters—fifty centimos at the present rate of postage. The Association states in its petition that it is acting on the suggestion of several different societies and prominent people, both in Spain and abroad.

It will be recalled that the Ministry of Communications recently announced its intention to prevent the choice of portraits destined to figure in the Republic's stamp designs from being dictated wholly or mainly by political considerations. The national Academies of the Language, of History, of Fine Arts and of Science were asked each to draw up a list of notabilities in its own sphere of study, from which the final candidates for philatelic commemoration will be selected.

GERONA, Friday

Several ancient tombs containing human remains have been found in a place called Fontajau, near this Catalan city.

The position in which the skeletons lie has led to the belief that they date from the earliest period of Christianity in Spain. The supposition is corroborated by the fact that other Roman remains have been found in the place, which the historian Señor Botet identifies with a country seat owned by a Roman governor of Gerona, named Ruffinus.

## THEATRE GUIDE

### TEATRO PRINCIPAL

**La Dolorosa**  
with  
*Rosita Diaz and Agustin Godoy*  
3:30 6:30 9:30

### TEATRO LIRICO

**El Novio de Mama**  
with  
*Imperio Argentina & Miguel Ligerio*  
3:30 6:30 9:30

### SALON RIALTO

**Caravan**  
with  
*Charles Boyer, Annabella Conchita Montenegro*  
3:30 6:30 9:30

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## WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

FLEMINGTON, Friday

The twenty-seventh day of the Lindbergh baby murder trial was uneventful and ended with the probability that the case will go to the jury and a verdict will be returned by Tuesday.

LONDON, Friday

The death is announced of Mr. H. G. Ponting, Polar explorer and photographer with Scott's last expedition. Mr. Ponting died of heart trouble at the age of 64.

WASHINGTON, Friday

The Department of Justice is taking action against sixteen Clev-

eland steel companies under the anti-trust laws. It is alleged there are interlocking directorates among the companies, and the Federal Court is being asked to dissolve the relationships.

PARIS, Friday

The Chamber yesterday debated the most crucial question of French domestic policy, the reduction of official salaries and pensions, and although many radicals were opposed, Premier Flandin was awarded a vote of 318 to 262.

BERLIN, Friday

A consignment of a German specific for the treatment of malaria was rushed by airplane to Ceylon yesterday in answer to an emerg-

ency order. The remedy is required for fighting the malaria epidemic which is now raging throughout Ceylon.

WASHINGTON, Friday

Addressing the Agricultural Committee the economist and banker, Mr. Vanderlip, expressed the opinion that all countries will shortly abandon the gold standard and will not readopt it. He advocated the adoption of the British system of managed currency.

LONDON, Friday

Sir John Simon will fly to Paris today to attend the annual banquet there of the British Chamber of Commerce as the guest of hon-

## TRIPLE MURDER CONFESSION

MADRID, Friday

Pedro Bautista, a twenty-year-old shepherd, has confessed killing Ambrosio Cudero, shepherd, Juan Escobar and Toriano Cudero, also shepherds, a hut on the Navalluncosa three kilometres from Alde Fresno, near Navalcarnero.

Ambrosio was found dead with the other victims dying in the burning shepherds' hut, the thatch of which prevented a tempt to remove them. All men had been struck on the head with an axe.

Bautista, who had been sleeping there with them, told his neighbours who hurried to the hut that he had forced his way in with a crook through the wall, throwing loose stones, finding it impossible to get out by the doorway. He noticed, however, that his clothes were not singed, but were covered with blood, and that the fire had time to take a firm hold of the hut before he went for help.

He was therefore arrested and attempted to divert suspicion by accusing Jesús Marco, «El Colorado», all of them shepherds near Navalcarnero, who he alleged had quarrelled with Ambrosio Cudero. Investigations by the Civil Guard however proved all three men had alibis.

They were released, and the remaining prisoner was told he would be faced with thirty witnesses to their innocence, and that Don Luis de Rozas, the acting magistrate, intended to reconstruct the crime on the spot. He then confessed the crime, admitting that he killed Ambrosio Cudero in self-defence in order to prevent the other two in order to prevent their laying information against him.

Other witnesses however testified that Bautista had quarrelled several times with the head shepherd, whose situation he was anxious to obtain for himself. He suggested that he decided to overcome the obstacle to his desire by killing him as he stooped through the low doorway of the hut.

## ITALY AND AIR CONVENTION

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ent to a declaration of war on the aggressor.

A war confined to the air alone is unthinkable. All other military and naval forces of the states concerned would automatically become involved once their air fleets went into action.

The report suggests that M. Laval's attempt to bring Britain into his agreement with Mussolini for a joint European policy may have the opposite effect to that which he intended. The British Government's sole concession to the French thesis of security by means of mutual assistance pacts seems likely to scare off Italy and weaken the link forged in Rome on the occasion of M. Laval's visit to that capital.

## BRITISH SHIP RETURNS

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who boarded their ship. They were forced to lie in junks in unfrequented river reaches for twenty days, in constant danger of death, and were finally released after British seaplanes had flown over the district and bombed the pirates' haunts.

Two other officers were captured in similar circumstances two months later. Their captors however were afraid to risk a naval attack by keeping them, and they were soon released.

## EMPIRE RADIO LUNCHEON

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rise to the fervent expectation that practical common sense and neighbourly goodwill will once more come into their own as deciding factors in international relations.

## SOVIET CONGRESS

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leaders. For that reason the dreaded OGPU immediately began another reign of terror under orders from Moscow, and the end has not yet come. Exactly how many people were summarily shot without trial is not known, but it is believed that the figure is in the hundreds—all as the result of the one attack on Kiroff.

## MOUNTAIN AVALANCHES

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Nette are swollen by snow water with the highest level recorded in 27 years.

Villages and railways in the Rhine river district are under water, and extensive damage has been done to crops.

Thus far the severe weather has not reached Spain, which is recovering from the extreme cold of two weeks ago. A cold wave is believed, however, to be sweeping over Europe and will soon hit the Pyrenees.

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