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CONFERENCE IN MADRID

PRIVATE BANKS

MADRID, Monday

The meeting of representatives of official and private banks to discuss the assistance to be given to the Crédito Balear was held here on Saturday at the Bank of Spain under the chairmanship of Don Pedro Pan, Sub-Governor of that institution.

«It was agreed,» stated Don José Valero Hervás, President of the Banking Consortium, after the meeting, «to open a subscription among all private banks in order that that may contribute sums freely until the total of assistance necessary is reached.

«A commission, composed of three members of the Superior Banking Council, representing the three banking zones, was appointed to receive offers of support.

«Señor Pan repeated at the meeting his previous offers, without prejudging or compromising the Bank of Spain, and reserving the right to speak officially once the offers of assistance are officially known to the Council of the Bank of Spain.

«Utmost Urgency»

«The proceedings will be continued with the utmost urgency until the matter is settled.

«The final impression,» concluded Señor Valero Hervás, «is that the Bank of Spain will lend the necessary assistance in collaboration with the private banks.»

Señores Ferrer, Fortuny and Ensenat, the three commissioners sent from Palma to negotiate in Madrid for assistance for the Crédito Balear, passed on to the press

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BELGIAN BELGA NO CAUSE FOR ANXIETY

AMSTERDAM, Monday

The prolongation of the Belgian cabinet crisis is intensifying the uneasiness felt in business circles here because the abandonment of the gold standard by Belgium would involve serious losses to Holland, owing to the intimate commercial relationship between the two countries.

According to the *Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant* the volume of merchandise crossing the frontier has already shrunk considerably, this being all the more regrettable since the prospects of Belgium's overcoming the present crisis and maintaining a stable currency depend more than anything else on the possibility of her maintaining or if possible increasing her exports.

The newspaper assures its readers that their anxiety that Belgium might create a «sperr belga» on the lines of the German «sperr Reichsmark» are unfounded at present since, except for the fact that many shares in Belgian companies are held by foreigners living abroad, Belgium has no foreign debts worth mentioning, while foreign deposits in Belgian banks are inconsiderable. Thus from these sources the belga is not imperilled.

The Dutch paper continues that the revised regulations decreed by the Belgian government are prompted solely by the inland capital flight. If Belgium can arrange to increase its exports, then there is no likelihood of the adoption of a «sperr belga» or blocked currency.

The Belgian National Bank, it is believed, for the time being holds adequate gold reserves. Technically the belga's position is comparable with the Italian lira, which is kept at gold parity by means of devised restrictions and

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BRITISH MINISTER IN BERLIN ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT

PROSPECTS

BERLIN, Monday

Sir John Simon and Mr. Anthony Eden arrived here last night for their much-heralded conversations with Herr Hitler, which are to take place today and tomorrow.

The Chancellor is expected to adhere to his demand for parity between German armaments and those of other powers on land and in the air. Inspired comment here however indicates that he is prepared to negotiate for the limitation of armaments.

«I don't expect any sudden results,» said Sir John Simon in conversation at Croydon, just before stepping into the aeroplane that brought him to Berlin. «The problems are too far-reaching and too difficult for that.

«Nevertheless all our powers will be thrown into the struggle to attain the goal we have in view. Our aim is: peace on earth, goodwill towards men.»

Ministers' Meeting

The British Foreign Secretary landed at Schiphol, the air port of Amsterdam, at 12:20 p.m. Dutch time yesterday. Mr. Eden arrived one minute later by special plane from Paris, where he had been taking part in the three power conference with M. Laval and Signor Suvich.

As Sir John stepped from the plane he was surrounded by journalists and photographers, so that the arrival of the Lord Privy Seal was almost unnoticed. The two Ministers greeted each other cordially, and were welcomed by Sir Hubert Montague, British Minister at The Hague.

«All I have to say,» said the Foreign Secretary, smiling, in reply to the pressmen's avalanche of questions, «is that my colleague and I are delighted to meet each other again on friendly Dutch soil. Eden comes from Paris, I from London. As soon as we have lunched we shall continue our flight to Berlin. Please don't ask any more questions.»

Herr von Neurath, Foreign Minister of the Reich, was the first to greet the British Ministers when they alighted at Tempelhof aerodrome here. He was followed immediately by Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador in Berlin.

Sir John Simon immediately engaged in a conversation which to the onlookers bore every sign of warmth and friendliness. Meanwhile the news photographers and newsreel men were working at high pressure.

The personal bodyguard of Herr Hitler was drawn up as a guard of honour, standing at the salute as first the Foreign Secretary and

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LEAGUE COUNCIL CONFERENCE FIRST AT STRESA

PARIS, Monday

M. Tewfik Rushdi Aras, Foreign Minister of Turkey and Chairman of the Council of the League of Nations, has informed the Secretary General of the League in Geneva that he has decided to convene the Council for April 15, according to a message received here from the Turkish semi-official telegraphic agency in Ankara.

The extraordinary session of the Council, called in response to the French Government's appeal against the German Government's decision to reintroduce conscription, will therefore be held after the Three Power Conference. The latter, which is to discuss the results of the visit of the British Foreign Secretary and Lord Privy Seal to Berlin, and at which Great Britain, France and Italy will be represented, will open at Stresa on April 11.

The latter date was revealed in a communiqué issued here on Saturday after the conference between the British, French and Italian representatives at the French Foreign Office. The conversations began on Saturday morning and were resumed after lunch.

«Foreign Minister Laval, Lord Privy Seal Eden and Undersecretary of State Suvich,» says the communiqué, «met on Saturday at the Quai d'Orsay for an exchange of views on the general situation. In the course of the conversation it was recalled that the British Ministers' visit to Berlin is of an informative character, and that the scope and subject of the discussions are to be in accordance with the contents of the London communiqué of February 3, which expressed the views of the British, French and Italian Governments.

«It has been decided that on the termination of the Berlin visit and

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POLAND'S NEW CONSTITUTION

ADOPTED AFTER LONG DEBATE

SCENE IN SEJIM

WARSAW, Monday

Poland's new constitution, which a stubborn political has been in progress during last few years, was passed by votes to 139 in the early hours yesterday morning after hours heated debate.

The Nationalist, Peasant Socialist parties voted against. The National minorities abstained from voting. The debate in Sejim, or Parliament, began Saturday at one o'clock in a crowded house, every seat in visitor's gallery being occupied.

Present for the event were whole cabinet, headed by Pilsudski. The diplomatic corps also crowded. Until the last moment the supporters of Pilsudski were expected to attain their end owing to the gal difficulty of obtaining a thirds majority, which the Pilsudski group cannot command themselves.

The government, however, used to admit the validity of contention, declaring that a le absolute majority was all was necessary.

Jubilant Cheers

When the result of the vote made known the government broke into jubilant cheers. The opposition began noisy demonstrations declaring the unconstitutional because the necessary two-thirds majority had been attained.

The Socialists finally singing the Internationale, upon the government bloc

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END OF LINK WITH PIRATES

LONDON, Monday

One of the most famous landmarks of old London, a link with the stirring days of piracy, is doomed to disappear.

The Turk's Head public house in Wapping Street is to be closed, a victim of the operation of the so-called Redundancy Act. The latter is an old law which the licensing authorities set in motion from time to time when it is considered desirable to reduce the number of public houses in any district.

Every year a list of houses deemed «superfluous» is drawn up. This year has come the turn of the Turk's Head, the famous old tavern in the East End, near the docks.

The Turk's Head has been moistening the dry throats of seamen and dockers for more than four hundred years. Moreover it for-

merly possessed an ancient privilege which brought it fame, for hardly a criminal novel of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries fails to mention the house.

The landlord of the Turk's Head was allowed to hand a jug of beer to every pirate condemned to death as the culprit passed on his way from the condemned cell at Newgate Jail to the gallows at Execution Dock. Tankards from which the condemned men drank still adorn the walls of the Turk's Head taproom.

Execution days used to be celebrated as public festivals a hundred and fifty years ago. The Turk's Head was always crowded on those occasions with revellers who facetiously drank the health of the condemned man.

Lovers of strong sensations still

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A SEA-GOING POST OFFICE

The Gripsholm, cruise ship of the Swedish-American Line which called at Palma on Saturday, has a feature which is unique on ships of its type. It is not the swimming pool, nor the lift, nor the extremely wide decks. It is a Sea Post Office, in charge of a philatelist.

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cruise postmarks for letters mailed on board on the high seas between ports, they are all three an ordinary cruise, such as the one which brought the ship to Palma. There are 19 postmarks and a special cachet. Postmaster Nilson receives requests for covers supplied with them from all over the world, but chiefly from the United States and Great Britain.

On one typical trip, Mr. Nilson says, there were requests for more than a thousand covers. He handled them all. He handled the request of the Princess Feodora of Russia, who sent him a letter of thanks, with the same cover and efficiency with which he handled the same favour for people known to him.

In 1925, when the Gripsholm was commissioned, he made his

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AN ILL WIND?

The anxiety that it's an ill wind that blows nobody any good may be annoyingly hackneyed, but it nevertheless seems to work out in international affairs.

Herr Hitler's decision to tear aside the veil and take openly for Germany the equally which she claims in the matter of arms may turn out to be an ill wind, or it may not. The pother which it has aroused, however, seems likely to have the unexpected result of easing the troubles of the Emperor of Ethiopia.

Italy has at last yielded to the Emperor's request that the dispute between Ethiopia and Italy be submitted to arbitration. It is early yet to say whether this means the end of the quarrel, but it is at least permissible to regard it as a step in that direction.

The Duce's sudden decision to admit, after more than three months of wrangling, that the African monarch is entitled to be heard before he is condemned is reported to be due directly to France's desire to bring Germany on the carpet at Geneva. It is now hoped that Ethiopia will withdraw her appeal to the League of Nations, and thus leave the Council free to devote all its attention to the Franco-German argument as to who broke the military clauses of the Versailles Treaty first.

Apart from the incidental benefit to Ethiopia, it is difficult to see exactly what France expects to gain by her action. It has already been agreed between Great Britain, France and Italy that the military clauses must be replaced by an arms convention into which Germany is to enter on equal terms, and Herr Hitler has done nothing more than to define those terms and so clear the air for the coming discussions.

It all looks unpleasantly as if M. Laval and his colleagues, after preparing the way for Sir John Simon's visit to Berlin, were anxious for his mission to fail. If that is so, they will succeed, for no agreement worth having can be reached without the sincere cooperation of all the major powers, including France.

ON THE ISLAND

By The Wayfarer

The flock of one-eyed motor cars driving tourists around the city last Saturday was not carrying a new variety of Governmental permission on their head lamps. The slip of paper which covered the lamp bore the word «Gripsholm» and it was the name of the white vessel that anchored in Palma bay all day Saturday. This vessel is one of the Swedish American Line's cruisers, and she was here on her return swing around at Copenhagen, Southampton and Gibraltar before entering the Mediterranean. Her cruise is a long one that included many Near Eastern ports. Her call here was to be followed by a call at Malaga and then at Southampton. She came to Palma from Villefranche and carried about two hundred and fifty tourists.

VAN DYKE:—

The other white vessel in port on Saturday was the Lamport-Holt liner, Van Dyke. Her cruise began in Liverpool and included Cadiz, Naples, Sardinia and Lisbon. Palma was her second port of call on the out-bound journey. Some three hundred tourists, mostly English, spent the day seeing the Island. They divided into three

groups, some going to Soller, some to Porto Cristo, and some staying in the city and driving to Bellver and Génova.

CRUISE HOME:—

The crowded condition of the Otranto, which called on her way to England last Saturday morning, resulted in about fifty bookings on the Swedish liner Gripsholm, from Palma to Southampton. Mrs. Derville left the Majorica Hotel for her home in England, sailing on the Gripsholm, as did Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Dobson, both from the Villa Thea. Don Salvador Marcel and Señora de Marcel, wealthy Catalan residents, landed in Palma from the Swedish ship, but only for a few hours. At the last moment they decided to continue the cruise and had their luggage returned to the vessel. They will go to Southampton and will then return to Barcelona and Palma.

VISIT:—

Fortunately for her many friends in Palma, Miss Ruth Wise is not leaving for good. Her proposed trip to the continent will probably only last for one month, after which time she will return to Ma-

llorca. She expects to live in Cala Ratjada on her return. Miss Wise will take her Ford car (the smart one with the New York licence plates) to France and will motor from Marseilles to Cagnes, on the French Riviera. During her absence she will retain her present apartment on the Calle de la Salud in El Terreno. Miss Wise has lived in Europe for some time, and is well known in Paris among members of the Anglo-American colony there.

FATHER LEAVES:—

Mrs. Bennett Fey's father has returned to London after a short visit here with his family. He expected to remain in Palma for two months but he became ill soon after his arrival and decided to return to London so as to be under the care of his regular physician.

HERE AND THERE:—

Miss Behm left Palma for Barcelona last week. Before her departure she was the guest of honor at a tea given by Mrs. Sommers.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rose will give a bottle party tonight at their new home in La Portassa. They are living at the Villa Ave Maria.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyte left for England on Saturday. They are travelling to London via Barcelona and Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Gunn are returning to England by the same route. They also left on Saturday night's mail boat.

GOOD HOSTS:—

The officers of the Swedish cruiser last Saturday proved good hosts to a large number of Island residents who visited the ship during the course of the afternoon. The small boats were busy taking visitors to the vessel until nine o'clock in the evening, when the cruiser left for Málaga.

BY HOOK OR BY CROOK

The news message from Athens reporting that M. Pericles had joined the Government of General Tsaldaris as Minister of the Interior caused considerable bewilderment in the editorial office of The Palma Post, which is staffed exclusively by men whom it is not easy to bewilder.

All the members of this practically omniscient staff, it appeared, had been under the impression that the eminent Greek statesman was dead. Several of them even went so far as to say they thought he had been that way quite a long time.

Our Reference Book, dragged from its position under the short leg of the second sub-editor's uneasy chair to throw light on the mystery, agreed with this view of the case. «Pericles» it read. «Athenian statesman and orator. 499-429 B. C.»

«Rot» said the Senior Reporter, with his characteristic brusquerie. «Pericles was a sculptor.»

The office Boy developed yet another theory. According to him, Pericles is the name of a horse which would have won the Grand National last year if only. . . .

In view of this regrettable divergence of opinion I was told off to investigate the real truth about Pericles.

I naturally applied immediately to my learned friend, Doctor Astigmatizmos of Athens (on whom be peace). The famous scholar, whom I found engaged in rolling cigarettes out of contraband Macedonian tobacco with strips of first-century papyrus, agreed in part with the Reference Book's account.

Pericles, he revealed, was in truth the celebrated statesman who was born in Athens in 499 B. C., and who founded the naval and colonial power of his native city. He also found time, as leader of the Democratic party, to bicker patriotically with Cimón and have Thucydides ostracised.

What is not true, according to Doctor Astigmatizmos, is that Pericles died in 429. His obituary was indeed published in the newspaper *Chronos Athenaios*, but that was merely a manoeuvre to cover the retirement of the able politician, who had withdrawn to Crete for a rest cure.

Greece's Elder Statesman has emerged several times from his retreat under different aliases, the last occasion being a few weeks ago. The name he adopted this time was Venizelos.

Asked about the Pericles who has just taken Cabinet rank in Athens while M. Venizelos is a political refugee, Doctor Astigmatizmos (o. w. b. p.) declared that he was two other fellows.

Doctor Astigmatizmos, of course, is the author of that learned treatise proving that the poems of Homer were not written by Homer, but by another man of the same name.

El Gancho

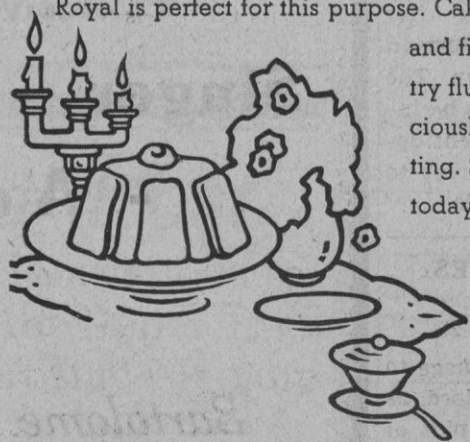
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BYRONIC TRAGEDY IN GREECE

ATHENS, Monday

The shadow of Lord Byron, the English poet who met his death in trying to assist the Greeks to win their freedom, broods today over a desolate hillside in Macedonia, where an unmarked grave holds the victim of a tragedy linked by the ties of blood and history to his own.

Helen Kekrupolos, a direct descendant of the Romantic bard, is the occupant of the grave. She was buried secretly the other day in the most abandoned spot that could be found in the Macedonian mountains, and the news of her death has only now leaked out in the capital.

The girl, who was eighteen years old, committed suicide on the collapse of the Venizelist revolution by stabbing herself in the breast with a dagger. The weapon formerly belonged to her ancestor, Lord Byron, and had been preserved as a family heirloom.

Helen's father was killed fighting on the side of the Allied Powers during the Great War. Her mother, who served as a nurse in Salonika, died there.

Helen herself, from an early age, showed a remarkable aptitude for athletic activities and warlike affairs. She held an air pilot's licence and was a fencing champion.

When the revolt broke out she immediately joined the rebels and became the chief of a body of amazons, at the head of whom she fought bravely against the Government troops. She had sworn to win or die, and when the Venizelist movement collapsed she fulfilled her vow by killing herself.

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WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Monday

Arrangements for floodlighting Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, the Horse Guards Parade, the National Gallery and many public buildings during the Jubilee celebrations have been completed.

The Maharajah of Kashmir, who is coming to London with other Indian princes, is bringing his state polo team, which will play in all the principal tournaments.

NEW DELHI, Monday

The Indian Communal Award Conference decided yesterday that Indian Moslems would work for the reforms based on the Communal Award, and urged the Hindus to adopt the same attitude.

The Legislative Assembly passed a motion for adjournment moved by Mr. Guaba in connection with

the riots at Karachi by sixty-seven votes to fifty-two, Independent and Congress leaders pressing for an inquiry. Mr. Guaba contended that the authorities should have prevented the assembly instead of allowing the situation to develop, making necessary the calling out the troops and firing.

ADDIS ABBABA, Monday

The Emperor of Ethiopia has ordered all provincial governors to return to their posts in readiness for any emergency arising from the frontier dispute with Italy. No mobilisation has yet been ordered.

GENEVA, Monday

Italy's sudden acceptance of the Ethiopian arbitration proposal is connected in international politi-

cal circles with the summoning of the League of Nations Council to consider the French protest against the German conscription law. It is pointed out that if Italy had continued to refuse the Ethiopian Government would have the right under Article Fifteen of the Covenant to demand that the Italo-Ethiopian conflict be placed on the agenda of the special meeting of the Council.

MOSCOW, Monday

Forty of the hundred fishermen recently reported adrift on an ice floe in the Sea of Azov were sighted by airmen on Saturday and brought to safety yesterday. No trace of the rest has yet been discovered, and little hope is now entertained that they are still alive.

BRITISH MINISTERS IN BERLIN

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then the Lord Privy Seal stepped out of the aeroplane. The commanding officer then stepped forward and addressed a few words to Sir John, explaining the presence of the troops.

A large number of distinguished personalities had awaited the British Ministers' arrival since the early afternoon, the visitors terrace being filled to the last place. Among them, besides Herr von Neurath, Sir Eric Phipps and the whole Embassy staff, were the Chancellor's personal representative, Doctor Meissner, State Secretary in the Presidential Chancellery, Count Bassewitz, Chief of the Protocol, Secretary of State von Buelow and Ministerial Director Dyckhoff of the German Foreign Office, Herr von Levetzow, Chief of Police of Berlin, Ministerial Councillor Dahmann of the Reich Air Ministry, and Major Carganico, commander of the air port.

BELGIAN BELGA

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the introduction of the «sperr li-ra.»

The ability of German money and investment markets to withstand the strains of the anxiety over the belga without any signs of commotion is taken as testimony to the confidence with which the future is viewed. Even the unfavourable foreign trade returns for February caused no repercussion, and the turnover of fixed interest securities is unchanged.

SEA POST OFFICE

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trip aboard her, and has been with her ever since. He has crossed the Atlantic 274 times. He is fast becoming, through his philatelic activities, one of the best known men afloat, and a unique and excellent means of publicity for the company he serves.

POLAND'S NEW CONSTITUTION

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with the «Song of the Legionaries» the war hymn of Pilsudski's National Liberation Troops. The Sejm was at last cleared by orderlies.

Until a late hour last night there were street demonstrations, the crowds wildly cheering for Marshal Pilsudski. In leading articles in special editions of the papers published last night the adoption of the new constitution is hailed as «an important historical event.»

The semi-official *Gazeta Polska* says that Premier Koslowski through the new constitution, gains strength and the power to resist home and foreign difficulties. The opposition press complains that the constitution has not yet been legally adopted.

LEAGUE COUNCIL

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the further British visits to Moscow, Warsaw and Prague (in which the French and Italian Governments wish the British Ministers every success) the British, French and Italian Foreign Ministers will meet at Stresa on April 11.

Italy, according to reports from Rome, was stunned when Signor Mussolini's order calling a further 160,000 men to the colours after the announcement of the German conscription law was known. The Duce's action is reported to be inspired by fears that the recent developments offer a new threat to the independence of Austria.

LINK WITH PIRATES

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have time to make a pilgrimage to Wapping and ask the landlord, as a favour, to serve them a pint of half-and-half in one of those «pirates' mugs». It is doubted, however, whether there are enough of them with the courage of their convictions to agitate and save the Turk's Head's licence.

THE GOBIERNO CIVIL

H. E. Don Juan Manent, Civil Governor of the Balearics, has issued a notice inviting offers of premises to be hired as a temporary substitute for the present Gobierno Civil, pending the erection of a new permanent building.

The notice is a repetition of one previously issued, but reduces the period during which offers will be received to ten days. The Governor has thus made use of the authorisation to speed up the transference of his offices, which was granted last week by the Home Office.

Señor Manent has also drawn the attention of the Home Minister to the offer of a site for a new Civil Government building made by the Palma City Council. The proposed site is described as being magnificently situated.

The lease of the temporary premises is to be for five years, renewable from year to year thereafter. The state however reserves the right to cancel the contract on four months notice whenever it is decided to transfer the offices to a building belonging to the state, the province or the municipality.

The temporary building must be suitable for the installation of the offices of the Civil Governor and his subordinates, living quarters for the Governor and his Secretary, and the central police station, which serves as headquarters for the Cuerpo de Vigilancia and Guardia de Seguridad. The maximum annual rent is fixed at 19,000 pesetas a year, of which 13,000 are to be paid by the Home Office and 6,000 by the Dirección General de Seguridad.

Señor Manent expressed the hope that suitable premises may soon be found, and that the principal Government offices in Palma may be able to make a rapid transfer from their present inconvenient quarters.

HELP FOR CREDITO BALEAR

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the statement of Señor Valero Hervás. They added that they would have more news to give on Thursday.

Señor Valero Hervás' statement was intended particularly for the Mallorquin press, in view of the anxiety felt in Mallorca to know definitely what can be done for the Palma bank which suspended payments in December. The cities of Palma and Inca and the town of Sóller in particular are full of creditors of the bank, whose credits have been frozen since its doors were closed for current account business.

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