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## AVE ATQUE VALE

ONE of the least happy duties which falls to a newspaper is that of voicing to the best of its ability the regrets of those whom it represents, on the occasion of the departure of one who has been a real friend to them all. This duty is ours today, for before the next issue of the MAJORCA SUN and SPANISH NEWS goes to press the retiring Consul General of the United States, Claude Ivan Dawson, with Mrs. Dawson, will be on their way to America, carrying with them the good wishes of everyone who has come into contact, officially or personally, with them during these last five years.

Perhaps the outstanding reason for Mr. Dawson's success in the important post which he has filled here is his steady interest in all things Spanish. At the outbreak of the war in Cuba, in 1898, he was a sergeant in the District of Columbia Volunteers. This was a regiment which did not get to the front, but Sergeant Dawson was determined to get into active service, and the result of his determination was that he was appointed as assistant to the Army's Postmaster, and thus saw some extremely active service in the Cuban campaign, before those joint scourges, fever and 'embalmed beef,' laid him low with a long and serious illness. His account of the battle of Santiago Bay is characteristically modest.

«We saw ships far out to sea, almost hidden in clouds of black smoke, and we could, from our position at Daiquiri, hear the sounds of the guns, but we did not realize fully the extent and importance of what was going on. It was not until afterwards that we heard of the gallantry of those brave Spaniards under Admiral Cervera, and of the fine account our own fleet had given of itself.»

After this taste of foreign lands and the practice of the Castilian tongue, the young law student could not bring himself to return to his studies at Georgetown University, for the call of the Caribbean Islands was strong. 1899, therefore, saw him with the insular government of Porto Rico, in which he served for five years in secretarial and executive capacities. It was during this time, in 1902, that he met and married

Miss Theodosia Brock, who was a visitor to the island. Of the happiness of their married life it is not necessary to speak, since it has been an open book to all who know them and have seen what a true partnership it is. Mrs. Dawson has been by her husband's side ever since, during his service in Washington with the Interstate Commerce Commission and the following years of consular work which began with his appointment, after examination, as Consul at Puerto Cortes, in June, 1910, and are ending this week with his farewell to Barcelona.

Mr. Dawson was secretary of the Peace Conference in Honduras in 1911, a time which he characterizes as the most interesting of his life, when, in order to attend the installation of the new president, it was necessary to spend

years, from early in 1924 until November, 1926, whence he was again sent westwards, this time to Rio de Janeiro. After a short term of service there, he became a member of the Board of Review of Foreign Service Personnel, until his appointment to Barcelona as Consul General. During his term of office here, he had, among many others, the interesting experience of making the first, and so far, the only official visit to the Republic of Andorra in its thousand-year history. For him the mayors of Andorra assembled, each with his key, and the ancient wooden safe was opened in which is guarded the charter given to the tiny republic by the great Charlemagne himself, the ancient rituals were gone through, and the classic garb was worn.

It is much to be regretted that Mr.

Dawson does not contemplate the writing of a book on the Spain that he knows so well. There is need of a book so well-informed and so well-balanced as the one his varied experience of Spain and her daughter countries would enable him to create, but he feels that his time has come to rest, and he and Mrs. Dawson have already begun the building of their future home, in Asheville, North Carolina. There the hospitable latch-string will be left out for the friends they have made in so many lands, as well as for their own widely separated family in the United States,

since their son lives in Oklahoma, a brother in Los Angeles, and a sister in Miami. Mr. and Mrs. Dawson show no need of rest, but there is no question as to their having richly earned it, and we who have profited by their stay among us for these five years should be the last to begrudge it to them. We feel their loss, but we hope that what is loss to us is gain to them, and they have let us feel that wherever they are we shall find a welcome, and that they may again come some day to visit us in this sunny country which is second in their hearts only to the one to which they are now returning. We are glad to have had them with us, and we wish them a hearty God-speed on their journey. May the rosemary that perfumes the Catalan hills grow and flourish in their new garden for many happy years to come.—E. O. D.



Mr. and Mrs. Claude I. Dawson

nearly eight days on horseback to reach the capital of the country. In 1912 he was sent to Valencia, and saw for the first time the Spain which had so strongly influenced the countries in which his work had lain until then. More than three years were spent there, until he sailed on Christmas Day, 1915, for Tampico, the first of his various posts in Mexico. Promotion had been rapid, covering three classes in a single year, and he attained the rank of Consul General during his Mexican service, where he made also the acquaintance of H.B.M. Consul General, Norman King, who was destined again to be his colleague in Barcelona.

The only break in Mr. Dawson's consistent record of service in Latin countries was when he became Consul General in Stockholm for nearly three

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

On Monday, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden spoke before a crowded House of Commons. He admitted in his speech that he, as well as the balance of the British Cabinet, shared the anxiety felt by the House in regard to England's immediate future. The course which she follows in the next two years may well be a decisive factor for war or peace in Europe. Once an ardent enthusiast for disarmament, he spoke favourably in regard to England's decision to spend three hundred million pounds in re-arming, insisting that she was doing so in order to maintain peace. His speech was disappointing in some ways, as he refused to reveal what stand he intends to take during the coming week at Geneva in regard to oil sanctions.

## Relieved from Command

Major General Johnson Hagood, in command of the Eighth Corps Area of the United States Army, has been summarily relieved of his command by direction of President Roosevelt. General Hagood recently testified in Washington before the House Appropriation Committee, at which time he criticized the Government and it is presumed that his removal comes as a result of this action. This is in spite of the fact that the War Department issued an order before the hearing freeing the testifying officers from the usual restrictions. The General is due to be retired next year, and may be kept on the inactive list until then.

## Giant Meteor

A huge meteor seen over New York is the latest phenomenon in the United States' strange winter.

The meteor as seen in the night sky looked the size of the full moon, with a long tail of brilliant red and orange tapering away from its bluish white body. The meteor was also seen at North Hatley, Quebec, about 400 miles away.

Dust storms have invaded Colorado, Texas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Kansas. In the past two days 10 people have been drowned in floods following a rise of temperature in the Pacific States.



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## BOOKS

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George W. Houghton  
(Selwyn and Blount)

English-speaking people in Spain who have also known the French Riviera are likely to be very interested in a new book which will be on the market next week. It is «The Adventures of a Gadabout», a tale of the travels and experiences of Mr. George W. Houghton as told and illustrated by himself.

Mr. Houghton is a versatile artist and journalist whose work is well known in Paris, and whose travels have taken him all over Spain and France; for, although his plans when he left England ten years ago were to work his passage round the world, he got no further than the French Riviera for some considerable time. The reason for this was that he was too fascinated with the various faces which the French resorts presented to him to leave them only briefly studied. It is, consequently, not only of the brighter side of the Riviera that he writes. He introduces you to the human flotsam and jetsam that has to find beds in tramway shelters, and with him you venture into Marseilles doss-houses and watch the parade of all nations that is for ever passing in and out of such places.

As editor of an English newspaper in Nice, Mr. Houghton met an extraordinary variety of notabilities. He interviewed King Carol of Roumania, caricatured King Gustav of Sweden, who signed the sketch, and had a memorable dinner with two Manchester businessmen who won 750,000 francs the first time that they played baccarat. Social lights of Monte Carlo, Deauville and Le Touquet are vividly portrayed, and the book includes chapters devoted to Sir Herbert Barker and Mr. George Bernard Shaw, with a self-portrait of the latter which he presented to the author. Of particular interest, perhaps, so far as we are concerned, are two amusing chapters on Majorca, the new «Riviera», which completes a book on popular places and people by an author well trained in artistry and observation.

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# BARCELONA SOCIAL NOTES

The dinner-dance by the American Club in honour of Consul-General and Mrs. Dawson at the Ritz on Saturday last was the success it deserved to be. Some 200 guests attended. Speeches were made by Messrs. Homer Eddy and Carl Long, after which a parchment and a present of some interesting old books on Spanish history were given to Mr. and Mrs. Dawson. After dinner, dancing took place to excellent music until 3 a. m.

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Baron Ranaud de Graffenried-Vilars is back in Barcelona again for a few days. He will leave for the south early next week.

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Mrs. Dodd, wife of Mr. Eric Dodd of Barcelona, gave birth on Saturday to a daughter, in London.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cox, of New York, are visiting Barcelona prior to making an extensive trip in the south of Spain. Another visitor from New York is Mr. Samuel Sklar, who is making Spanish studies.

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Miss MacPhaden leaves for Palma tonight, where she will spend several months.

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Another traveller to Majorca is Mme. Josephson, who left on Wednesday, with her daughter Lillimore.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Hill gave a luncheon on Wednesday last for Mr. and Mrs. Claude I. Dawson.

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A daughter was born last week, at San Cugat, to Mrs. H.B. Strang.

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We have been requested to state the following:—Mr. Cyril Smith would like to express his regret that owing to very short notice he has been unable to take a personal farewell of all the friends he has made in Barcelona. He has been transferred to Hamburg, and will be very pleased to renew the acquaintance of any Barcelona-ites should they happen to pass through that city.

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Mr. and Mrs. Latta have left for London on a short trip.

Colonel Clifford Harmon has recently added to the attractions of his penthouse home on the Paseo de Gracia with a radio of unusual magnitude and potency. The apparatus is stated to be one of the most complicated yet constructed.

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The two main attractions in Barcelona last Sunday were the Carnival *rua* in the Paseo de Gracia and the international football match in the Montjuich stadium. Both events attracted enormous crowds, the crush of cars in the Exhibition grounds breaking all records. The *rua* itself, though not so picturesque as in former years, nevertheless was more than hilarious, and a good time was had by all. Other Carnival celebrations, such as the Press Ball and the Artistic Club Ball, both in the Liceo, were more animated than usual, more than three thousand dancers crowding the huge floor on both occasions.

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A large number of people attended the Bridge Drive in aid of the Seamen's Institute yesterday, which was held at his home by the courtesy of H.B.M. Consul General, Norman King.

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A baby daughter was born last week to Mrs. Hentzi at the Enfermería Evangélica.

Miss Kathleen Scott left the hospital this week and proceeded to her home in London.

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## Chamber of Commerce

The Board of Directors of the American Chamber of Commerce of Barcelona were hosts at a luncheon given in honour of the retiring American Consul General, Mr. Claude I. Dawson, as evidence of their appreciation for his close co-operation with and assistance to the Chamber during his five years detail as head of the American Consulate General at Barcelona. The luncheon was another indication of the harmonious relations existing between the members of the Chamber and the officers of the Consulate General, and was notable for the fact that the Spanish members present were amongst the leading business men of the community. Appropriate remarks were made by those offering the banquet, to which Consul General Dawson replied in a well chosen and delightful Spanish speech.

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# SPORT

## ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL INTERNATIONAL MATCH

### Germany 2 Spain 1

About 70,000 people went to the Barcelona Stadium last Sunday afternoon to see this important match, the attraction being two-fold, first that Spain had won the encounter against Germany at Cologne last year and wanted to beat them again, and secondly they were feeling a bit sore at their defeat by the Austrians at the Stadio Metropolitano in Madrid last month. For these reasons they went to the Stadium at Montjuich *en masse* last Sunday afternoon full of hope and confidence, as a win over Germany would avenge Madrid.

The Germans employed the W. system, playing the greater part of the game with three forwards, four halves and three backs. This combination was very effective and they soon showed the Spaniards what kind of a team they were. They dribbled very little, with no headwork, but their passing and control of the ball was marvelous and they had their opponents guessing time after time. With little difficulty they got within reach of the Spanish goalkeeper and in the second half completely dominated the game. One can almost say that the German team played a hundred per cent better than the Spanish eleven and their triumph was due to their technique, and to the precision with which they are accustomed to play. In the second half, particularly, we saw a splendid exhibition of football. To counter this the Spaniards adopted tactics called *La Furia Española*, which they had employed with great success against Italy, but they played very poor football, putting none of that enthusiasm into their attacks which they have employed in other International Matches. When Fagh, the German outside left, got the ball from his Captain and beat Zamora with a fast ground shot, the Spaniards got disheartened but, in one of those wild dashes, Luis Regueiro sent in the equalizer after 33 minutes play. The Spaniards then played better football, the German goal having some very narrow shaves. When the referee blew half-time, the score being one all the excitement was tremendous.

On the resumption of play, it was clearly seen that the home eleven were a tired and beaten team and the Germans then gave us another fine exhibition. After twenty-three minutes Fagh scored the winning goal. Szepan, the Captain, and Lanz and Fagh were the most conspicuous of the German side. On the Spanish side the only men who played well were the backs, Zabalo and Aedo. In the first half particularly they did some very good work, especially the former, who distinguished himself many times. The referee was the Belgian, Langenus, and the game was played in a very sporting manner.

W. W. P.

**OLYMPIC GAMES: Winter Section.** The General Classification resulted as follows:

1 Norway	103 V.	8 Switzerland	20 V.
2 Germany	46 V.	9 Canada	9 V.
3 Sweden	40 V.	10 Hague and Czecho-slovakia	7 V.
4 Finland	37 V.	11 Belgium	5 V.
5 U.S.A.	33 V.	12 France and Holland	4 V.
6 Austria	23 V.	13 Italy and Japan	3 V.
7 England	22 V.	14 Poland	2 V.

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## MARDI GRAS IN NEW ORLEANS

by Alvin Allen Shannon

If one happened to land in New Orleans on the night of the Comus parade (which was last Tuesday), he would surely think himself abroad in Hades one moment and the next be inclined to believe himself stranded in paradise. For here, in this glamorous old French city, it is *fiesta*. This is *Mardi Gras*. Topsy people, shrilling whistles, gourdes fashioned into weird music-makers, a river boat anchored at the foot of Canal Street toot-tooting to its boiler's content, shadows of light, laughing people in crowds or singly filing down the street, little lost marionettes looking wistfully into eyes of gay-hearted strollers. Some lose the crowds and seek the *Vieux Carré*, the picturesque quarter of the city, seeking some purple adventure or absinthe house—for to drink absinthe on *Mardi Gras* is to the drinker the best of luck. *Vieux Carré* is the oldest quarter of New Orleans. The section has changed very little in the last hundred years, and the spirit of the French and Spanish still lingers in every nook and cranny. New Orleans, ever since the beginning, liked to smile, to laugh, to sing. And this is the season one waits for to indulge in all those little things one has wanted to for, oh! so long.... willing to pay for one's sins with the forty days of fasting that follow in the Lenten season.

Down Rampart Street, on *Mardi Gras*, is the real music, the real dancing. This is the negro and mulatto section. They, too, have their king—he is King Zulu, and smokes huge black Havanas and 'totes' a silver flask, which usually caresses his lips just enough to make him sincerely gay. He is followed by a retinue of negroes dressed as American Indians, savages and in other odd attire, generally accompanied by some rip-roaring jazz band. (This year everybody is singing «The Music Goes 'Round and 'Round!») It is the habit of King Zulu and his followers to give to the spectators lining the street some token, and so out into the crowd they hurl bananas and cocoanuts. One year they tossed hot catfish! The king's bodyguard are big, black giants, carrying on their shoulders stuffed white roosters. They dance and sing throughout the whole season. Surely no section enjoys *Mardi Gras* so thoroughly as the negroes.

Year after year visitors flock to the green, purple and yellow-festooned «Pelican City.» If you—or you—or you are looking for adventure, come to New Orleans when *Mardi Gras* comes around again...

## Kinda Mean Column

Overheard at the George Washington Dance at the Ritz last Saturday:

One of the most fleet-footed of our Colonists was explaining to his partner the intricacies of civilization's latest achievement, *The Music goes 'Round and 'Round*. «When the horn tootles,» he explained, «it comes out here.»

«What does?» said the lady languidly.

«The music.»

«Oh,» she replied, «the music.»

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We like the story of the lady living in the wilder parts of Sarriá, whose life has been pestered recently by the frequent visits of a gentleman anxious to sell her tea. This commercial activity was put an end to last week, we think, when said gentleman arrived just as the lady was sifting ashes on the roof. «I just poured them on his head,» she told us, «and said 'Go away.' His tea was only dust, anyway.»

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An enterprising young man blew into town this week in search of a Castilian family who, for the price of five pesetas a day, would give him board and lodging, daily baths and use of grand piano. He said he had been told in Paris that this was the regular price in Spain. Not to be discouraged by the cynical remarks of those to whom he told this tale, he set forth and actually found what he was looking for, with modern furniture thrown in. Readers need not bombard us with letters of enquiry about this paradise, as we are are moving in ourselves to-morrow.

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We have all been mystified lately by the sudden appearance of a large clock built into a pavement on the Via Layetana. Several wags have explained it as being for the benefit of drunkards, air-men, or men mending the sewers, but those theories have not been accepted. We think it was put there by some charitable soul for the benefit of those little boys who improve each sliding hour upon its face.

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From Madrid comes an election story, which may (or may not) be true.

A lame gentleman in the Puerta del Sol was seen chasing two others. When they took refuge in a shop door, he belaboured them with his crutch, using some of the less current epithets in the Spanish language.

«If you vote for the Left,» he said, «you are pigs.»

«No, no,» they pleaded, «the Left Party will give us work, so that we may feed our wives and children.»

«Ah,» said the aggressor, «during the last Left Party *régime* I got a job in a factory. That is how I lost my other,» and, thoroughly outraged, he stumped away on his right leg.

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### New Governor Arrives

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### New Callers for Palma

Yet another line of vessels is to make Palma a regular stop. The Bibby Line has completed arrangements for a weekly call here of its ships on their way to and from England and Burma. The first to drop its anchor in the Bay will be the *Worcestershire* on April 16 on her outward voyage. This will be followed two days later by the *Derbyshire* homeward bound. These «Shire» ships are all motor vessels of the latest type and noted for their comfort and the excellent service extended to the passengers by their staffs.

### Accident

On Monday night Sr. Rafael de Lacy, Vice President of the Gas and Electric Company and father of Dr. Rafael de Lacy, well known among the foreign colony, was in a dangerous automobile accident in Palma. While hurrying to the Barcelona boat with his brother-in-law, Sr. Dezcallar, his car struck a tram pole. The collision was almost head-on, and threw the two occupants of the car forward with such force as to break the steering wheel completely. The men were taken to the emergency hospital and treated for shock.

### Harder Number

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To:—The Editor.  
Dear Sir,

In reply to the letter last week from a Mrs. Curwen Thomas, deploring the «continuous references» in your up and coming paper to the Spanish *mañana* habit, may I suggest that perhaps, for one thing, this lady rather jumped to conclusions after reading your reproduction of Mr. Alan Mickle's poem, *And to Summertime in Catalonia*? It is the custom of some northern races to look upon what others might consider philosophical calm as unforgivable laziness. This, of course, is a great mistake; but surely it is a worse mistake to take for granted, as apparently Mrs. Thomas does, that all mention of the ageless, fatalistic *manana* tendency must, without deeper study, immediately be classed as detrimental? When some *extranjeros* are trying to get a door mended, or a garden weeded, and find it takes several days even to get the job started, they smile and say, «This *mañana* business!» But it gives them a feeling of slight superiority which is quite harmless, and I doubt if anybody really takes it as seriously as Mrs. Thomas implies. Anyway, how many of us actually do today what we would rather put off until tomorrow, given the chance? And why should we? Which is what I got out of Mr. Mickle's delightful poem.

I'm open to argument today or *mañana*.  
J. Calvin Watts.

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### Dundas Recovering

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The Float of the Ideal Laundry, which attracted much attention during the «Rua» in Palma last Sunday. It is shown here with the staff in front of their establishment in Santa Catalina. (Tel. 1011).

### Majorca Society of Arts

The meeting last Sunday of the Majorca Society of Arts was attended by more than fifty people. The first half of the programme was taken up by Señor Daniel Arnau, whose haunting Hawaiian songs to the guitar were warmly received. Followed some delightful songs from Captain and Mrs. Milnes.

To-morrow, Sunday, Mr. James Lindo-Webb will give a lecture entitled «Walks and Walking.»

### Majorca Society of Arts

Sunday, March 1st. 5 p.m.  
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«Highways and Byeways of Mallorca»  
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## THE NEW SPANISH GOVERNMENT

### A PEACEFUL CHANGE

#### Complaints of British Reports

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The frenzied alarm and the incursions into the future of certain London papers misrepresenting a peaceful and Parliamentary change of Government in Spain as a «Red reign and the breaking down of law,» are being read here with amazement and annoyance by both British and Spaniards.

Readers of *The Times* will realize that the election has returned to power Señor Azaña, who, only two years ago, was effecting in Spain the only construction that has anywhere yet been realized by Parliamentary procedure and by democratic development; that since his fall this progress has been suspended, the peace seriously disturbed, and the old corruption is creeping back; that neither Señor Azaña nor his Ministers are Socialists and that they have the support of the propertied Republicans and Reformists as well as the proletariat revolutionaries; finally, that in spite of incipient civil war and class fronts between the well-to-do and the workers the change has been constitutionally and peacefully carried out.

Some provocation there has been and some panic. For the last we are not truly without responsibility. Gibraltar hotels owe much gratitude to the B.B.C. for broadcasting on the night of the election that some of the Madrid police had joined in Communism. As *The Times* reported, the police had checked an officer who was exceeding orders and were acclaimed by a grateful crowd.

If this Left Government are not rebellious Reds, no more are the Right Opposition irresponsible reactionaries. The Right Opposition parties are showing both public spirit and political common sense. For example, the Permanent deputations of the Cortes, where the Right have

a two-thirds majority, have unanimously passed the Amnesty Bill of the Left Government.

You, Sir, could not spare us space to deal with all the misrepresentations by which the relations of two friendly peoples and the interests of our own country are being prejudiced. It is enough to point out that the previous Right Government was, if not reluctant, certainly reticent in associating itself with our action in support of sanctions in the Mediterranean, whereas the new Left Government declares itself unreservedly on our side. Again the Right Government had to rely on the incessant activity of the police, that considerably incommoded British tourists. The previous less repressive régime of Señor Azaña will now be restored. Indeed, British property-owners in Spain, like ourselves, are welcoming an event which confirms our faith in progress by democracy in Spain.

We are, &c.,

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FEMINA—*Peter*, with Francisca Gaal. United Artists.

MARYLAND—*Sweet Adeline*, with Irene Dunne, Donald Woods. Warner Bros.

TIVOLI—Friday, March 6th, premiere of Chaplin's *Modern Times*

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Regrettable is the mildest of the adjectives that could be applied to the hair-raising accounts of recent doings in Spain appearing in certain sections of the British Press. In these days of rapid communication and increasing culture it seems incredible that Spain should still be classified as a sensational topic. The large numbers of tourists who are finding this country delightful to visit at all times of the year surely hand the lie direct to the scare-mongers. It is a pity, too, that newspapers of repute should depend for their Spanish news upon people whose knowledge of Spanish politics, history, social questions and language would appear to be nil. It is easy to write an article on the subject of communism in this country, but it would be very difficult for any of these correspondents to prove such a hypothetical statement. Anybody who has lived in this country for any length of time can realise the harm and injustice of these wild reports. Sr. Azaña's Government has proved that it will stick by the Republican Constitution, and public order will be one of the first considerations. In reply to those who earn their living by defaming this country, it should be said that one swallow does not make a summer.

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BALEAR—A successful National film, *Los Claveles*, with music by Maestro Serrano.

BORN—The great Warner Bros. First National film, «*A Midsummer Night's Dream*,» produced by Max Reinhardt, music of Mendelssohn, and ballets by Nijinska (in English). Well worth seeing.

NOTE:—As this is a long film, it is suggested that the public arrive punctually.

LIRICO—Joan Crawford, and Robert Montgomery in *¡No Mas Mujeres!* with Franchot Tone, Charles Ruggles & Edna May Oliver (in Spanish). SHORTLY: *La Voz que Acusa*, and *Acorazado Misterioso*.

MODERNO—*El Agresor Invisible*, featuring Bill Boyd & Wynne Gibson. Also Paul Muni & Bette Davis in *Barreras Infranqueables*, (in Spanish). MONDAY: Sylvia Sydney & Frederic March in *En Mala Compañía*, and Charles Ruggles with Mary Boland in *Viaje de Placer*.

PRINCIPAL—Herman Brix, the Swimming Champion of the Olympic Games, in *Las Nuevas Aventuras de TARZAN*, with Ula Holt and a strong supporting cast.

RIALTO—Willy Forst third production *Mazurca*, starring Pola Negri and Ingeborg Theek. Fox Newsreel (in Spanish), *La India Fantástica*, and musical shorts.

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Mr. Tony Wheeler returned to England yesterday. Although the announcement has not as yet been given to the English papers, we have been informed that, in July next, his marriage to Miss Edith Dawkins, daughter of Lady Bertha Dawkins, Lady-in-waiting to Queen Mary, will take place.

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Mr. Austin (Billy) Parker, playwright and aviator, is due to arrive for several weeks vacation on the Island at any moment. His last play, «Week-end», produced recently in New York, was the usual strain to its author that most successful plays are, but Mr. Parker hopes to recuperate quickly in Cala Ratjada.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Watts paid a fleeting visit to the Island early in the week. They were here but two days while they changed ships before going on to Germany and then England. Mrs. Watts will be remembered as Miss Monica Seed. Since her marriage she and Mr. Watts have been in Kenya.

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Mrs. Martha Fell was hostess at a gay dinner party on Monday evening at her home in Calle Villalonga. Among her guests were Mrs. Phyllis Harvey, Miss King, Mr. de Rosa, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Lionel Wastie.

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Choosing the coldest day of the year, on Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carson, with Mr. Carson's mother and Mrs. Phyllis Harvey, went house-hunting to Pollensa. They saw a number of houses, but so far are not completely sold on the idea of leaving Palma.

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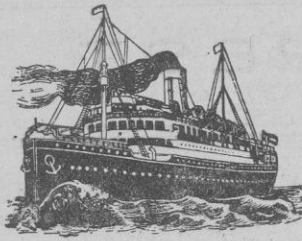
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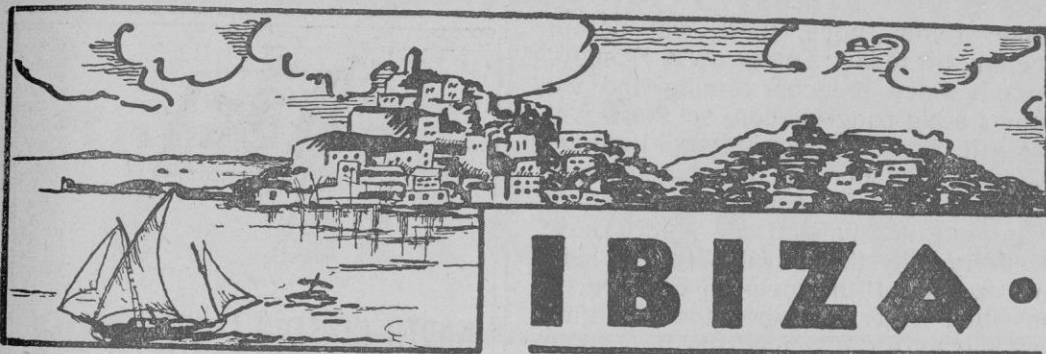
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The girls who own a little property, or have any claim to wealth at all, wear handsome gold chains and crosses on their bosoms, with perhaps gold buttons on their sleeves; and those who are already betrothed will wear gold rings with pendant hearts, keys, and so on, on every finger of both hands. Most of them will have a male escort, others will walk in little groups. Sometimes sisters dress alike.

At every café facing on to the *Paseo* there is a large extension of the customary line of chairs and tables outside, every one of which will be occupied, summer and winter alike; the difference in seasons is only marked by the sign that in summer the girls carry fans, and in winter small, coloured handkerchiefs. In summer there is a second evening parade.

When everyone has strolled up and down at least half a dozen times, and everybody has seen and admired everybody else, then—back into cart and camion, and so home to bed.

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On Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace gave a farewell cocktail party to Major and Mrs. Chanter, who left the next day for their annual visit to England. The party was also a farewell to Dr. and Mrs. Trautner, who, when they move into Palma, will be greatly missed here.

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Sir Samuel and Lady Smyth left here Monday for Pollensa.

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The new York Bar was crowded out on Sunday. Visitors from Palma included Captain and Mrs. Evan Freer, Mr. Harry Firbanks, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Whyte and Mrs. Trace. In the evening the famous variety artists, «Minuto y Conchita,» gave their successful act, followed by numerous Spanish dances played in honour of «Miss Baleares,» who arrived with a large party. Another party was headed by Señor and Señora Estades, and at other tables were seen Mr. and Miss Dean Paul, Baron Ompteda, Señor Nicolás Casellas and many others, mostly in carnival costume.

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Tomorrow, Sunday, the Rev. F.G.H. Knight will hold his monthly service at the Hotel Ferrocarril at 6 p.m. Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m. on Monday.

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Dr. Gwynn, Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, with his wife and daughter are staying at the Mar-i-cel for a few weeks.

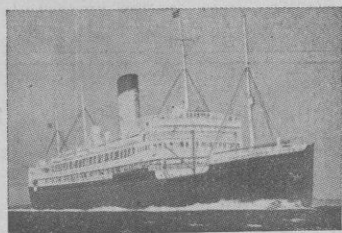
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The farewell party at «Traut's» bar Wednesday was attended by the Puerto *en masse*, and was only equalled by the fancy-dress dance at «C'an Anet» last week, which was the usual great success.

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Mrs. Pers and her daughter, Ula, have returned to their house in the *huerta*, from Denmark.

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come: «Now, boys, there will be no beetling off today. Tomorrow is Sunday, there is a new preacher coming and we expect a big congregation, so there will be little work. We must get a lot done today. I was not satisfied with the job you did on pew 21 at all, and I want you to go back and finish it up. Lady Dewsenberry-Dewsthorpe will surely be here and we want the pew to collapse, if possible. You remember the last time she was here she stepped on your little cousin Archie and killed him. Let's go!»

But let us leave the beetles to their beetling, and think for the moment of the congregation itself. Golf and motoring are bound to suffer, and the great country houses will be empty on Sundays as the guests leave the warmth of the one fireplace to seek the more modern comfort of central-heating. Yes, we believe we can safely predict a gradual increase in church attendance, if not in faith, throughout England.

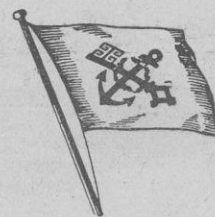
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**There Ought To Be a Law —**

«... the Bishop of Exeter recently suggested that modern methods of heating buildings are likely to cause the beetle as well as the congregation to be comfortable and multiply.»—*Church Paper.*

It seems as though things had come to a pretty pass when the Church of England must plan on heating its edifices as a means of increasing its congregations. Where are the stern pillars of the Church that existed not so long ago? The cardinals and bishops who underwent beheading for their faith? Have they all become soft along with their flocks who must be coaxed from their homes by the promise of warmth?

And if this attitude is allowed even to include the beetles and other insects that inhabit churches, where is it all going to lead? There couldn't possibly be a nicer spot for beetles than a big, quiet church. There they could continue their burrowing activities practically undisturbed all the week and how they could multiply. Sextons are notably absent-minded persons, and are far too preoccupied as they go about with their dust-ers to notice any increase in the family Coleoptera, which could simply go on burrowing and multiplying and multiplying and burrowing in the nicest possible atmosphere.

You can just imagine a great old grandfather beetle calling his clan to him and directing them in the day's work to

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## BALEARIC ISLANDS

1. The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in Shorf's Tea-room—Terreno on Saturday 14th March at 10.30. a. m.
2. Resolutions, which must be in writing and accompanied by the name of the proposer, must be received by the Hon. Secretary not later than Saturday, 7th March.
3. Members willing to serve on the Committee are requested to send in their names to the Hon. Secretary not later than Saturday 7th March.
4. Members are reminded that annual subscriptions (Pts. 5) due 1st. January last must be paid before 31st. March; otherwise membership lapses. Subscriptions can be received at the Office of the Association, daily between 11 a.m. and noon. If sent by post, stamps will be accepted.

**Agenda**

1. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.
2. Presentation and adoption of Report and Accounts.
3. Election of Committee.
4. Resolutions.