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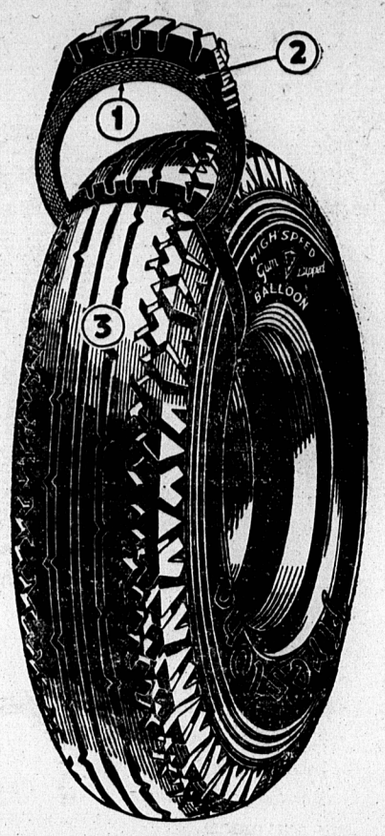

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MARTIAL LAW DECLARED IN MADRID

Rioting Was Directed Chiefly Against Religious Institutions—Former Spanish Dictator Arrested.

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MADRID, May 11—The Republican Government, born amid riotous scenes just a month ago, resorted to martial law tonight to end disorders arising from clashes between Republicans and Monarchists. The rioting was directed chiefly against religious institutions, due to recent Republican charges that the church indirectly was aiding the Monarchist party which is seeking restoration of the Throne. Religious buildings were attacked and burned. Troops were stationed throughout the capital and were ordered not to tolerate continuation of the disorders.

Twenty-six persons were arrested, including the former Dictator, Gen. Damaso Berenguer, who faces "grave charges." Arms and amunition said to have been hidden by Monarchists were seized. The stock exchange was closed in all cities.

The rioting, which began last night and extended to Barcelona and Cordova, resulted in the firing there of seven religious buildings, most of which were destroyed or severely damaged. The mobs attacked eleven other church buildings, but were repulsed by troops and police. Three persons were killed and about a dozen others injured, and several of them seriously. One priest was beaten by rioters. The mob shouted threats against Monarchists, called on the Government to inflict the death penalty on Berengher; cheered the Republic and quickly attacked persons who raised their voices in support of the exiled King Alfonso XIII.

"I have been informed of the origin of the disturbances in Madrid," the Minister of Interior, Miguel Maura, announced. "The plot is perfectly clear. All details coincide to indicate a marked Monarchical and Communistic tendency in plotting. "The directors of the railways even told employees to strike. Some of the employees obeyed, went to Socialist headquarters and learned that no strike had been ordered. "On the contrary the Socialists ordered them to avoid any incidents or stoppage of work. "This movement is the result of the suicidal attitude of the Conservative captialist class." Maura said absolute order existed throughout Spain, although "exalted elements" had attempted in vain to stir up trouble and provoke strikes in some villages.

Meanwhile the Government arrested Galo Ponte, who was Minister of Justice under the Dictatorship of the Late Gen. Primo De Rivera. Orders were also issued for arrest of the officers elected yesterday by the Monarchical circle, an organization made up of various Monarchistic groups.

Two tanks and platoons of infantry relivel cavalry tonight in guarding the scene of rioting. President Alcala Zamora said that "everybody is sorry for what happened today." "But the Government cannot be blamed, since we did our best to stop the disorders," he said. "The fault lies with the Monarchists and the Extremists and is a result of the Monarchist gathering yesterday."

At Cordova, religious buildings were attacked when news of the Madrid rioting was received there. Crowds stoned several newspaper offices, the Bishop's Palace, a Seminary, a Jesuit residence and a Convent. At Barcelona a group of men fired shots at Montjuich Castle and sentries returned the fire. Civil guards dispersed the attackers.

Madrid police were unable to halt the rioting this morning when a taxicab strike, joined by other transportation workers, inaugurated a Republican protest against Monarchist activities. Although troops were summoned to aid the police, there was no energetic effort to restrain the crowd. The rioters themselves were not in a violent mood. The good-natured temperament of the Spanish people was never more in evidence. There was merely a determination to "get rid of the Jesuits and Carmelites"—other convents were not attacked—and the city was tranquil except in the centres of disturbance. In the Plaza De Spana, near the Royal Palace, where a Carmelite Convent was burned, a gardener went around reminding persons not to trample on the grass and they politely accepted his request. On the benches in the shade, laborers were dozing through their siestas as if nothing unusual were happening a few steps away. Occasionally a fervently religious woman would break into tears, but there were few instances in which emotions reached a high pitch.

The buildings set afire include the Jesuit church and adjoining residence both of which were destroyed after the buildings had been looted by a mob. Sacred objects were carried to the streets and destroyed. Firemen merely prevented the spread of the blaze. A civil guard was wounded by a shot fired from the church, when it was attacked and the crowd shouted: "The Jesuits are trying to kill us." Cavalry and troops patrolled the scenes of the fires, but firemen were able to do little because of the determination of the crowds to permit the buildings to burn. Thousands of persons gathered around each burning building, shouting: "Down with the Jesuits" and scrawling such slogans as: "Justice of the people"—these are condemned for being robbers", on the walls nearby. The firemen, who were warned by the crowd to remain away from the burning buildings, fraternized with the rioters. Residents of the destroyed buildings were permitted to find refuge in the homes of friends, but furniture, clothes and other objects from the buildings were thrown in the streets and destroyed.

One Jesuit Father was injured when attacked by a crowd in front of the Royal stables, where he attracted attention by shouting: "Long live the King", The mob attempted to lynch him, but was dispersed by troops who rescued the Priest. The Government suspended the Jesuit newspaper, El Debate. The Provisional Cabinet was in session practically all day and late into the night.

During the day there were various indications of hostility on the part of some Republicans toward the civil guards, but for the most part the crowds cheered the appearance of troops and cavalry squads. Wide resentment against Berenguer was expressed, many shouts of "we want the head of Berenguer" being raised. The Cabinet ordered dismissal of all members of the Supreme Council of War and Navy. The Council of Ministers also announced its determination to halt the rioting and promised "Justice for all." The crowd was sympathetic towards the Government at all times, even raising shouts of "viva la Republica" when the declaration of martial law was read in the Puerto Del Sol. Airplanes flew over the Capital, dropping manifestoes in which the Government and the Labor Union urged the people to return to work and obey orders. There were small groups of Extremists circulating through the streets at various times, forcing small shops to close and otherwise agitating violence. They intimidated persons on the streets and obliged most of the city's taxicabs and street cars to stop running.

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BUDGERIGARS AS BRIDAL GIFTS

MONTREAL, Que., May 13.—(By The Canadian Press)—Fashion will do much to enhance the price of an animal says Andrew Wilson, who is a visitor in this city. For instance, when Prince Takamatsu, of Japan, took back a Budgerigar, a kind of love bird, as a present from England for his bride to be, some time ago, it became the fashion to present such birds to future brides in Japan, with the result that the demand put the price of these birds up to a fabulous extent. From $50 a pair the price jumped to $975.

Mr. Wilson had many interesting things to say about these budgerigar. There is a Budgerigar Society which has members from all parts of the world. King George is patron, the only royal patron of a naturalist society in the world. Mr. Wilson happens to be the chairman of this society for 1931. From the original birds of two colors the members of the society, by experimenting on the basis of the Mendelian laws, have produced a variety of budgerigars including many colors, and, when a new color species is established, the value of these is very high, he said.

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The many friends of Mrs. Earl Warren, Head of Hillsborough, are glad to know that she is much improved, after being confined to her home for some time, owing to illness.

Mrs. W. MacEwen, who for the past few years has resided in the U. S. A., has returned to her home at Bristol, and recently spent a few days visiting her sister, Mrs. Fulton Douglas, Savage Harbor.

Miss Edith Cameron, Stanhope, spent the week-end at the home of her paretns, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Cameron, Head of Hillsborough.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Leard of Mount Stewart, on the birth of a bonnie baby.

Miss Sadie Farquharson, Bridgetown, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farquharson, Canavoy.

Miss Marion L. Coffin, Mount Stewart, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coffin, Morell.—X. Y. Z.

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BRITISH WEST INDIES WANT REPRESENTATION AT OTTAWA CONFERENCE

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad, B. W. I., May 13.—(By The Canadian Press)—"That it is desirable that the British West Indies and British Guiana should be directly represented at the Imperial Economic Conference to be held in Ottawa in August of this year" is the gist of a resolution passed recently at a meeting of the Trinidad Chamber of Commerce. To accomplish this the support of the Legislative Council is being sought. The resolution was moved by the President of the Chamber of Commerce J. Forbes, who said: "These Colonies are the oldest possessions of the Overseas British Empire, and having developed considerably in recent years it seems hardly fair that Colonies with such an old record should be lumped without qualification in the category of Crown Colonies, many of which have only come under the British flag in recent times."

CANADIAN ALPINERS TO MEET

BANFF, Alberta, May 13.—(U.P.)—In the Hokumm Creek district, some three miles from the head of Prospector's Valley, 6,600 feet above sea level in the Kootenay Park section of the Canadian Rockies, the Alpine Club of Canada will hold its 26th annual camp from July 20 to Aug. 3, 1931.