

CABINET RESHUFFLE

A reshuffle in Malta Cabinet posts was announced in yesterday's Government Gazette. In accordance with the provisions of the Malta (Constitution) Letters Patent, 1947, His Excellency the Governor has assigned to the Prime Minister, Dr. Boffa, the duties of Minister for Health and Social Services as from January 10. The Gazette also states that His Excellency the Governor, on the advice of the Prime Minister, has assigned to Dr. Schembri Adami the duties of Minister for Works and Reconstruction as from the same date.

MALTESE CHARGEMAN GETS B.E.M.

For "long and zealous service" in the Boom Defence and Salvage Department, and particularly in regard to the salvage of the old floating dock, A.F.D. 8, Mr. Joseph Portelli, Chargeman of Riggers, aged 44 of Zabbar, was awarded the British Empire Medal in the recent New Year Honours List.



His Excellency Sir Gerald Creasy, the Government Printing Office, Valetta, during his tour of Head of the Ministry departments yesterday morning. Left to right: Major W. Bonello, Colonial A.D.C.; Mr. E. Firman, Private Secretary to the Prime Minister; Mr. J. Muscat Fenech, Printing Manager; Mr. J. Zammit, Printing Office Superintendent; and Dr. P. Boffa the Prime Minister.

Tours by H.E. the Governor VISITS TO HEAD OF MINISTRY DEPARTMENTS

By A STAFF REPORTER

His Excellency Sir Gerald Creasy, Governor and Commander-in-Chief accompanied by Dr. P. Boffa, the Prime Minister, paid official visits to Head of the Ministry Departments yesterday morning.

His Excellency first called on Dr. Boffa who presented Mr. C. Agius Gilibert, Electoral Registrar and Mr. S. Mizzi, Establishment Officer, to Sir Gerald Creasy. Attended by Mr. Mizzi, His Excellency toured the offices and signed the Visitors' Book.

From the Prime Minister's Office the Governor proceeded to the Government Printing Office where attended by Mr. J. Zammit, Superintendent of the Printing Office and Mr. J. Muscat Fenech, Printing Manager, Sir Gerald saw the National Lottery tickets in process of being printed.

At the Approved School, Sir Gerald Creasy was met by Mr. Saliba, Superintendent of the School, who presented his staff to His Excellency. After inspecting a guard provided by the Approved School Scouts, Sir Gerald went round the school talked with instructors and heard the boys reading their English lesson. Finally His Excellency signed the Visitors' Book and autographed a photograph of himself.

After the Approved School visit His Excellency went to

the Police Headquarters at Hamrun where Captain J. Ullo, Commissioner of Police, received the Governor. The Police Band played the opening bars of the National Anthem after which His Excellency inspected a Guard of Honour under the command of Inspector A. J. Lanzon. Then escorted by the Commissioner, the Governor inspected the transport section, the fire brigade section, the C.I.D. section under Superintendent J. Calleja, the Control Room—the nerve centre of the Police telephonic communication throughout the Island—and the Police Officers' Mess, where the Police officers were presented to Sir Gerald. The Governor was later entertained by the Commissioner and Officers to refreshments prior to leaving Headquarters. His Excellency signed the Visitors' Book before leaving the Mess. Sir Gerald showed keen interest throughout the tour.

This morning the Governor will visit the Public Works Department and the War Damage Offices at Valetta.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS AT DE LA SALLE PALACE

By Our Art Correspondent

Mr. Antoine Camilleri, who returned recently from the Ecole des Beaux Arts, Paris, held a successful exhibition of his works at the De la Salle Palace, Valetta, last week.

It is always pleasant to review the work of young artists who have just returned from abroad because, as a rule, besides the change of atmosphere and broadening of horizons which give fresh stimulus to their imagination, there is usually something original which they have absorbed from their new surroundings and which, consciously or not, finds expression in their work.

Mr. Camilleri is no exception and, in his case, it is the sombre greys of the Parisian winter, the sparkle of sunshine on fresh snow and, for a change, the mellow lights and colours of the French countryside which have made the deepest impression on his mind, so far only used to the violently contrasting sunshine and shadow of the Mediterranean scene.

Among the best of the Parisian landscapes are the "Pent des Arts" and "Across the Seine"; and the colour-schemes with predominating blue sky and ripe corn in "Harvest Times" and "Les Champs des Blé" are very nicely balanced. A welcome patch of bright colour is afforded by the picture of boats at Lugano whilst among the portraits the one in profile of "Marie Therese" is the most interesting.

Mr. Camilleri promises well and, if he can get himself to pay less attention to certain trifling details in his pictures and to treat his subjects in a broader manner altogether, there is no doubt that, with his fine chromatic sensibility he will in time develop into a very good landscape painter.

The exhibition is open every day from 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 3 to 7 p.m. until Sunday, January 15, 1950.

CITY AND GUILDS

Spring Examinations

Candidates intending to sit for the Technological Examinations of the City and Guilds of London Institute are informed that registrations will be received by the Registrar of Examinations, Ministry of Education, Valetta, between January 18 and 23, 1950, during office hours.

Registration forms (the only ones admissible) may be obtained from the Ministry of Education after Monday, January 16, 1950.

Besides the Institute's examination fees, a local fee of 5s. must accompany each registration form.

Late entries will not be considered.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TODAY
5.30 p.m. at the British Institute, Valetta, Junior Philatelic Circle meeting.

TOMORROW
6 p.m. at the British Institute, Valetta, Art Study Circle meeting.

6 p.m. at the British Institute, Gozo, poetry reading.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Philip Truman, a nephew of His Excellency the Governor, arrived by air from the United Kingdom yesterday evening to spend his holidays as guest of His Excellency and Lady Creasy.

Mr. Harold Searle, a Representative of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, arrived by air from the United Kingdom yesterday evening to spend a week at the Hotel Phoenicia. Mr. Searle was met at Luqa airport by Colonel Boyle and Mr. Blackie, Australian Migration Officers.

Professor S. L. Vella has been appointed Junior Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeon in the Medical and Health Department, with effect from December 11, 1949.

Dr. Francis X. Borg, M.D., left Malta for the United Kingdom to take a practical course in Medicine and Surgery.

Members of the Yugoslav F.C. Red Star and the Austrian F.C. Wien, left Malta by air yesterday morning.

Mr. A. Weitnauer arrived by air on Monday from Tunis on a brief visit, and is residing at the Hotel Phoenicia.

BIRTHS

PERRY. On January 10, 1950, to Lita, nee Trapani, wife of Mr. John Perry, twin brother and sister to Tanya and DONALD JOHN and GRETA MARIA. *Deo Gratias et Mariae.*

WISMAYER. On January 6, 1950, to Juliet, wife of Charles Wismayer, a son to JOHN LAURENCE.

REQUIEM MASSES

A Solemn High Mass "De Die Trigesimo" for the repose of the soul of The Right Rev. Mgr. Hon. Can. CAP. ELEAZZARO BALZAN will be sung at the Parish Church of Attard on Saturday January 14, 1950 at 7.30 a.m. by the Right Rev. Mgr. Carmelo Lonnici D.D. and afterwards His Grace Mgr. Sir Michael Gonzi Metropolitan Archbishop will impart the absolution of the catafalque.

Tomorrow Thursday being the third anniversary of the death of MONTEZ AZZOPARDI all Masses said at Jesus of Nazareth Church, Sliema, will be offered for the repose of her soul.

IN MEMORIAM

TONNA. In ever loving memory of Inspector EDWARD TONNA who departed this life on January 11, 1947. His Mother.

VELLA. In fond remembrance of THERESA VELLA who passed away on January 11, 1947. Her Husband and Children.

PERSONAL

In grateful acknowledgment to Blessed Maria Goretti for favour received. M.C.V.

BRITISH INSTITUTE VALETTA ART STUDY CIRCLE

It is proposed to visit the Exhibition of works by Antoine Camilleri (Ecole des Beaux Arts) which is being held at De La Salle Palace, tomorrow Thursday. Accordingly, interested members are requested to be at De La Salle Palace, Kingsway, Valetta, at 6 p.m. on that date.

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TRAFFIC ACCIDENT AT HAMRUN

A military van driven by Anthony Borg of Rabat, and a Birkirkara bus driven by Joseph Refalo of Hamrun, were involved in a collision opposite Hamrun Parish Church yesterday morning.

Catherine Ciantar, aged 82 of Hamrun, and an unidentified man were hit by the van. Ciantar was seriously injured and conveyed to the Central Hospital Floriana, while the man was suffering from shock. Both vehicles were damaged.

ST. EDWARD'S COLLEGE PLAY

Students of St. Edward's College will present "Henry IV", at the College on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, February 13, 14, 16 and 17, at 5.45 p.m.

INTERESTING SALE

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MEDITERRANEAN SEA CRUISE

The Daily Telegraph Shipping Correspondent states that more than 5,000 people have applied in Britain for the first Mediterranean sea cruises to be announced since 1939. Only about 3,600 can be accommodated in the three liners available.

The Orient Line's Arcades (30,000 tons); and the P. & O.'s Himalaya (29,000 tons) and the new vessel Chusan (24,000 tons) not yet completed, will cruise this summer during the Australian "off" season. It is believed that these ships will call at Gibraltar, Malta, Naples and at least one port in North Africa.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. V. Captur, has been appointed Resident Clinical Officer in the Medical Division of the Medical and Health Department, with effect from January 1, 1950.

Mr. A.M. Darmenia has been appointed Chief Pharmacist and Medical Storekeeper in the Medical and Health Department with effect from October 6, 1949.

EUROPEAN RELIEF

A final appeal is made for all kinds of clothing still desperately needed for relief in Europe.

Parcels are to be delivered at the entrance of Admiralty House in Old Mint Street, Valetta (kindly lent by Admiral Sir Arthur J. Power, Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean), not later than January 16.

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Mr. A. Castillo, Public Relations Officer, has resumed his duties.