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4 GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY:

5 From all parts of the nation
6 expressions of sorrow are comingⁱⁿ this
7 evening. In the world of finance, and
8 the world of politics and the affairs
9 of state, yes, and among thousands of
10 folks in the ordinary walks of life,
11 they are saying what a loss the country
12 has sustained. ^{For} Senator Dwight W.
13 Morrow of New Jersey, died this afternoon.
14 ^{Sen. Morrow} ~~He~~ passed away at his home in Englewood,
15 New Jersey, at fifty-two minutes past
16 one, *this afternoon. He was 58 years old.*

17 He had one of the most brilliant
18 careers of any man during the past
19 decade. His record is fresh in the minds
20 of the public, how Dwight W. Morrow was
21 a partner in the banking house of
22 J. P. Morgan and Company, how he became
23 American ambassador to Mexico, and then
24 United States Senator from New Jersey.
25 He was an important figure in most of

the large affairs of statecraft that have confronted our country during the past few years. And of course, he was the father of Mrs. Charles Lindbergh. This after the news was flashed to the Lindberghs in China who, the International News Service informs us, were on the British airplane carrier "Hermes" coming down the Yangtse from Hangkow to Shanghai.

Perhaps if their plane had not been smashed they might take wing to fly back in a hurry across the broad Pacific. Because that ^{the} same broad Pacific has been flown at last. And that fact is a great milestone in the history of aviation. Hugh Herndon and Clyde Pangborn did it. After all their grief - they did it. Those two flyers who, a couple of months ago, made a trans-Atlantic flight and did some great aerial jaunting across Europe and Asia and then ran into trouble in Japan -- well, those two dauntless dare-devils went ahead and did the biggest thing of all. They started on a non-stop flight from Tokio to Seattle - and, as the International News Service relates, they made it. That is, they didn't make Seattle -- they passed over it, ~~and~~ then

went on and landed a short distance away.)

They circled over the Seattle air-field three times, but it was stormy and foggy and they didn't dare attempt a landing.

The United Press explains that on their long dash across the Pacific they found that their landing gear was causing too much air resistance. They had a way to drop that landing

1 gear, and so they pushed the ^{button}~~bottom~~
2 or pulled the lever, or whatever it was
3 -- and the landing gear went hurtling
4 down through space. And so they flew
5 on without anything to land on, ^{except the}
6 ^{tummy of the plane.} That meant that when they came
7 to earth they had to do some clever
8 maneuvering to set their plane down
9 safely. No, you don't want to try that
10 in storm and fog. And so with a bad
11 weather at Seattle, Pangborn and Herndon
12 flew on.

13 Near the town of Wenatchee,
14 Washington, they found a chance to make
15 the glide to earth. Yes, it was kind of
16 bumpy when they hit the ground. Without
17 any landing gear they slid along the
18 earth bumpety-bump for about 50 feet.
19 Then the plane tipped over on its nose,
20 but settled back again. And that was the
21 end of a magnificent flight. Pangborn
22 got a small cut over one eye in the
23 rough landing, and the plane was damaged,
24 although not badly.

25 The Associated Press comments that

1 the two ^{New York} flyers had good weather all the
2 way from Japan, except for a bit of
3 fog over the Aleutian Islands and then
4 that storm and fog in the neighborhood
5 of Seattle.

6 Well, tonight the old Pacific
7 Ocean must be a bit subdued. That vast
8 body of water was one of the great
9 enemies for flyers to conquer. And now
10 the Pacific has been licked by Pangborn
11 and Herndon.

1 Word of an interesting plan comes
2 from the city of Basel, in Switzerland.
3 It tells of a scheme to establish a world-
4 wide currency -- international money.

5 The New York World-Telegram quotes
6 Swiss newspapers as expressing the belief
7 that the United States and France intend
8 to call an international conference on
9 money. They say that this conference is
10 scheduled to meet not long after the
11 visit which Premier Laval of France is
12 going to pay to President Hoover in
13 Washington.

14 The big meeting of financiers will
15 get together and lay plans for that
16 international money. One billion dollars
17 will be put up by the United States and
18 France. The United States will ^{take over} ~~kick in~~
19 ~~with~~ two-thirds, and France ~~with~~ one-third.
20 The billion dollars will be the gold
21 reserve for all that international money.

22 At any rate, that's the rumor that
23 comes from Basel, Switzerland.
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1 They have been counting votes in
2 the South American republic of Chile.
3 And I suppose there are a good many
4 people down there along the border of the
5 Andes who are quite a bit relieved, and
6 maybe a bit astonished.

7 It was not so long ago that Chile
8 was having a lively Communist disturbance,
9 with a mutiny in the Navy and a bombard-
10 ment of ships by airplane, and all that
11 sort of thing.

12 Well, they elected a President
13 yesterday, and you might have thought
14 that the Communist candidate would have
15 made a large showing. But, as the United
16 Press relates, it didn't work out that
17 way at all. The Communist candidate
18 received only a few thousand votes.

19 The new President of Chile is Juan
20 Esteban Montero, leader of the Conserva-
21 tive party, ~~who received over 183,000~~
22 ~~votes, as compared with 100,000 for his~~
23 ~~nearest rival, Arturo Alessandri, the~~
24 ~~representative of the Liberal party.~~ It
25 was a wild election day. There were
disturbances in various parts of the long
narrow republic that occupies the fringe
between the Andes and the Pacific Ocean.

DIGEST

Well, just for one minute I am going to stop being the Radio Voice of the Literary Digest. Just for a few words I am going to make myself the radio voice of the White Fireman. And who is the White Fireman? Well, I'll tell you.

In this week's Literary Digest you will find that the first article is a discussion of the recent angles of the British Financial situation. No, the White Fireman hasn't anything to do with the British Budget, or the gold standard or anything like that, although they could probably use a fireman - to put out the fires of ~~the~~ discontent. But, opposite that leading article in this week's Literary Digest you will see the White Fireman.

. This week is Fire Prevention Week from coast to coast. And there's a bit of interesting information behind that. Next Friday is the 60th Anniversary of the great Chicago fire. That's the historic blaze which is supposed to have started when Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over the lantern.

Well, that Chicago fire was so important that recently, each year, the week in which October 9th occurs has been designed

by Presidential proclamation as Fire Prevention Week.

But let's get back to the White Fireman, who reminds us how much the stock fire insurance companies are doing to fight the peril of fire. Those stock fire insurance companies conduct a ceaseless campaign telling us how to minimize the damage and the danger of the raging flames.

And so this week, the White Fireman calls our attention to Fire Prevention Week and tells us of practical ways for observing it. He calls our attention to our cellars. He tells us that in the average home the most dangerous part of the house is the cellar.

Well, what can we do about it? The White Fireman tells us to wait not an hour, but to go right down into the cellar and throw out all rubbish, empty boxes, old furniture, and all other stuff that is liable to make a blaze. He tells us to go over the heating plant, have the flues examined and the chimneys also.

Inspect the electric wires, connections and insulation.

Yes, and don't forget the ashes. Don't have hot ashes lying around. Provide metal receptacles for the ashes -- good old-fashioned ashcans.

Yes, that's what I have to say as the Radio Voice of the White Fireman - and now I'll change over and become the Radio Voice of the Literary Digest again.

Joe Fisher.
re Singapore

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INTRO. TO JOE FISHER

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When I came into the studio a moment ago I was startled to find an old friend waiting for me.

Many years ago I lived on the other side of the world, on the Equator at Singapore. And out there I knew Joe Fisher, one of the moguls of the East.

Well, what has happened to Singapore, Joe.

1 Well, Lowell, I wish I could
2 correct the general impression of
3 Singapore. It has been created mostly,
4 I suppose, by the motion picture. Most
5 people seem to think it a city of
6 lawlessness, crime and vice.

7 Well, to begin with, Singapore,
8 is situated at the most southerly point
9 of Asia, and believe me it's one of
10 the most beautiful spots in the world.
11 It's well governed, has real hotels,
12 excellent schools and colleges, and has
13 one of the finest docks in the world,
14 which handles an average of fifty
15 ocean-going steamers per day.

16 Yes, and believe it or not,
17 Singapore has seven excellent golf
18 courses and fine theatres, in fact I
19 have one out there on the Equator that
20 is about as fine as any on this globe.

21 Here is something that will
22 be of interest to the ladies of America,
23 or most anywhere I suppose. We have an
24 average of fifteen men to every woman
25 in Singapore. This of course applies

1 to the white population. I say, it's
2 quite a difficult problem for employees
3 requiring the services of stenographers,
4 nurses and so on. Why, within a very
5 few weeks of their arrival, there is
6 almost always an announcement of an
7 engagement and a very early marriage.

8 From my observations here in the
9 States, the servant question in our
10 part of the world - out in Singapore -
11 is like Paradise compared to yours
12 here in America. We get an excellent
13 cook - or chauffeur, who will work
14 for the equivalent of \$15. a month -
15 feeds himself and only requires ONE
16 day a year off - which is Chinese New
17 Year. What a contrast to the conditions
18 here with your Thursday and Sunday
19 afternoons off, every week. Great
20 Scott!

21 It may be of interest to those
22 who picture Singapore as an underworld
23 dive, to know that no such state of
24 affairs exists. All hotels and places
25 of entertainment must close at midnight

1 and only in exceptional instances will
2 the Government give extended licenses
3 to one or two a.m. such occasions being
4 on New Year's Eve or the King's
5 birthday.

6 There are no opium dives, as
7 opium, in very small quantities only
8 is sold under strict police supervision
9 and the quantity is being reduced every
10 year so that it is hoped that it will be
11 entirely eliminated within about ten
12 years.

13 At/^{the}present time a huge Naval
14 dock is being constructed at a cost of
15 50 million dollars which will accommodate
16 the biggest ships in the world. Further,
17 an aerodrome is now being built at a
18 cost of 8 million dollars which will be
19 one of the finest of its kind in existence.
20 It is to be noted that Singapore is the
21 gateway of the Far East and also on the
22 direct highway to Australia.

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1 Here's a story of pirate gold.
2 Yes, that's an old romantic dream, finding
3 a horde of hidden treasure.

4 At Windsor, Ontario, two 13-year-
5 old boys were playing pirates on the
6 outskirts of the town. They were
7 dodging in and out of a clump of brushwood
8 when they noticed a white rag tied to a
9 sapling. It was waving something like a
10 flag.

11 "Gee whiz, I'll bet it's buried
12 treasure," shouted the boys.

13 No, it wasn't even buried. On the
14 ground below the white cloth the kids
15 found two cigar humidors.

16 "Oooo," exclaimed the boys as they
17 opened the humidors, "Look, it's pure fine
18 brass."

19 Their eyes glittered as they looked
20 at the heap of yellow metal. They
21 figured that brass would be fine stuff
22 to play with.

23 The United Press tells how they
24 took it home and showed it to the father
25 of one of them. And he said it looked

1 like first-rate brass.

2 The boys played around with their
3 pirate gold for days. ~~It was four days~~
4 ~~after they discovered it that~~ ^{then} somebody
5 thought it looked awfully good for
6 brass. The police were informed, and
7 took away that brass. They made tests
8 and found that it was pure gold -- 4,000
9 dollars worth of the precious metal.

10 The treasure is believed to have
11 been hidden away by a man who has been
12 illegally selling gold across the border.
13 He was arrested, but recently he jumped
14 bail. The police believe that he has
15 been waiting for a chance to sneak back
16 to that clump of bushes and get his gold,
17 but the boys beat him to it.

18 No, the two lads won't get the
19 benefit of the gold they found. There's a
20 Canadian law which says that if anybody
21 finds a horde of precious metal, why
22 that precious metal belongs to the
23 government. *And that's a sad story mates.*

BATH

Let's mark this next one down on our list of strange law suits.

J. R. Warfon of Kansas City, Missouri, is suing the city for a thousand dollars because his little boy won't take a bath.

The story comes in a round about way. The New York Sun quotes it from the Boston Globe. And I suppose that when a man sues the city because his son won't take a bath, why it's odd enough to be worth passing on.

The father says it was the city's fault that the boy was caught in a stalled automobile in a flooded street, and ever since that experience the boy absolutely refuses to go near water especially the water in the bathtub.

And so the father is suing the city for one thousand bucks.

1 That seems to be about all *tonight,*
2 ~~except~~ of course, ~~for~~ the baseball
3 game. Those St. Louis Cardinals ~~that~~^s must
4 be feeling mighty cockey. ~~tonight.~~ That
5 was a smashing five-to-two victory they
6 turned in today, and now they are
7 leading the supposedly invincible
8 Athletics by two games to one.

9 Well, that world series isn't
10 over yet by a long shot. But ~~these~~
11 nine innings of ~~the~~ news ~~is~~ are.

12 And so long until tomorrow.
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