

Good Evening, Everybody:-

1 Last night cutters of the coast
2 guard went out to sea on a search - a
3 search that failed. They were looking
4 for a fishing steamer that had been
5 reported on fire.

6 There was an explosion aboard
7 the Ruth Mildred, an explosion that
8 shattered the trawler and set the wreck
9 on fire. Coast guard cutters scoured
10 far and wide over the murky sea, but
11 could find no trace of the shipwreck.

12 But this isn't a tragic sea
13 story. The failure of the search is
14 explained today, when another fishing
15 vessel put into port and aboard were
16 the Captain and the crew of the ~~Ruth~~
17 Ruth Mildred.

18 Their story, as told by the New
19 York Sun, relates that when the explosion
20 occurred and the ship caught on fire,
21 they took to the lifeboat. The Ruth
22 Mildred burnt to the water's edge and
23 sank. Just then the fishing trawler Ariel
24 came along and picked up the survivors,
25 and so what seemed like another tragedy
of the sea turns into a happy rescue.

1 Serious signs of a revolt in
2 Congress became evident today - that is,
3 a revolt against that sales tax.

4 The New York World-Telegram
5 declares today that fifty Democratic
6 Congressmen have organized an insurrection
7 against the party leadership, and are
8 prepared to fight that sales tax to the
9 last ditch.

10 A meeting of the Congressional
11 rebels was called today by Representative
12 Doughton of North Carolina, and the
13 meeting demanded a showdown on the
14 part of the Democrats who are allied
15 with the Hoover forces in favor of the
16 sales tax. It is pointed out that this
17 may mean trouble for the presidential
18 candidacies of both Speaker Garner and
19 Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of
20 New York. The Speaker of the House
21 is leading the forces that are fighting
22 for the sales tax, and the Governor
23 of New York is in favor of it. The
24 Democratic members who are up in arms
25 constitute a powerful group and represent
all sections of the country, both the
cities and the farming regions.

1 The New York Sun today tells us
 2 that the Democrats are jubilant about
 3 that primary election in North Dakota.
 4 Governor Roosevelt won, of course, but
 5 there's another angle that raises the
 6 Democratic hopes for November. They
 7 say that the registration ~~xxxxxx~~ for the
 8 primaries shows that fifty thousand
 9 Republicans have left their party, and
 10 registered with the Democrats. And

11 this, ^{the Democrats say is} ~~is said to be~~ a protest against
 12 the ^{present Washington regime, and they are} ~~Hoover administration~~
 13 ^{elated.}

1 Well, we are hearing from pretty
2 nearly everybody tonight. ~~I mean all~~
3 ~~the states.~~ Tonight, out of the 48
4 states of the Union, we have 42 on our
5 list, and ^{plus} ~~also~~ the District of Columbia.
6 These 42 states are represented by
7 2,576, 459 ballots. ~~Yes, our returns~~ in
8 the huge Literary Digest Prohibition Poll.
9 ~~The poll has gone~~ ^{have gone} over the 2½ million mark.

10 And ~~the first thing we see is that~~
11 ~~The Drys~~ have made another increase in
12 the percentages.

13 Tonight's totals are split this
14 way, 630,217 in favor of Prohibition,
15 and 1,946,242 against. Putting these
16 figures into percentages we find that
17 the Drys this week have ^{about} 24.46 ^{1/2%} percent
18 of the entire vote. Last week their
19 percentage was ^{about} 23.66.

20 The Wets, with a little more than
21 75½ percent of the vote, have been boasting
22 that the Digest Poll is going three to
23 one against Prohibition. Well, that 's
24 the way the figures stand tonight all
25 right, but the Dry percentage is creeping

up ^{a bit.} ~~slowly but steadily.~~ And if ~~this~~
 keeps up ~~the enemies of Prohibition will~~
 soon be ~~unable to great over any three~~
 to one ~~proportion.~~

But let's go ^{along} to a complete
 tabulation of figures as given in the
 new Literary Digest, which came out
 to day.

Well, there's one state that's
 going drier and drier, and that's the
 grand old sunflower state of Kansas.
 It looks as if Kansas is on its way to
 a lopsided vote in favor of prohibition.

The figures this evening show that *Kansans*
~~20,101~~ ^{Kansans} turned out and did their
 bit for Prohibition -- while the Wet
 votes total 17,823. That ^{are} 53% Dry and
 47% wet. That represents a slight ~~xxx~~

~~but steady~~ gain in the Dry percentage
 from Kansas. *And the news from Kansas is*
about all there is to break the wet monopoly.

In our last returns we had several
 states with a mighty slender Wet majority.
~~and~~ ^{now} It looks ^{as} though they might swing
 over to the Dry column.

1 ~~One of these states was North~~
 2 ~~Carolina. Last week North Carolina~~
 3 ~~gave us a vote of 12,480 for Prohibition~~
 4 ~~and 14,936 against. Yes, That's close,~~
 5 ~~all right. And now let's see if North~~
 6 ~~Carolina ~~seems~~ seems to be on its way to the~~
 7 ~~Dry column. Tonight we find North~~
 8 ~~Carolina voting 20,499 Dry and 21,922~~
 9 ~~Wet.~~ Last week North Carolina showed a
 10 majority against Prohibition of 2,456
 11 and now that majority has been cut to
 12 1423, ~~it has been~~ reduced by a cool
 13 thousand votes. That makes North
 14 Carolina one of the states for the
 15 followers of the Poll to watch closely.

16 And then take Arkansas. It gives
 17 us tonight a majority against Prohibition
 18 of scarcely more than 300 votes. ~~The~~
 19 ~~figures are~~ ^{5,437} ~~4,888~~ dry and ^{5,775} ~~5,155~~ wet.
 20 ~~It won't take much to wipe that lead~~
 21 ~~out.~~

22 Of course there's plenty of
 23 interest in the trends and tendencies
 24 of the votes from all ~~of~~ the states.

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1 ~~The big Eastern states with their~~
 2 heavy wet majorities show a peculiar
 3 ~~drift here and there.~~ For example,
 4 Pennsylvania shows up with a whole
 5 ~~lot~~ more dry sentiment than New York
 6 and New Jersey.

7 The ~~fixx~~ figures we have on the
 8 Poll have a very significant bearing
 9 on the political struggle ~~that is~~
 10 ~~going on~~ in Pennsylvania.

11 Our list of cities tonight starts
 12 ~~out in a state which is the next door~~
 13 ~~neighbor of Kansas. I mean Missouri.~~
 14 ~~In fact,~~ ^{with} Independence, Missouri, is ~~right~~
 15 near the Kansas line, and it's dry: ~~The~~
 16 ~~vote is~~ 426 for prohibition, ~~and~~ 358
 17 against. *The rest on the list tonight,*

18 ~~And now let's rip through the~~
 19 ~~rest of these communities dotted all~~
 20 ~~over the country. They are all wet. I mean their~~
vote is damp.

21 Kalamazoo, Michigan, 1,242 for
 22 prohibition, 3,001 against.

23 Patterson, New Jersey, 557 ^{dry,} for,
 24 5,565 ^{wet} against.

25 Durham, North Carolina, ,

1 277 dry, 776 wet.

2 Canton, Ohio, 1,353 dry,
3 4,283 wet.

4 Salem, Oregon, 673 for, ~~xxxxxx~~
5 930 against.

6 Erie, Pennsylvania, 701 for,
7 4,125 against.

8 Memphis, Tennessee, 1,188 dry,
9 3,906 wet.

10 Richmond, Virginia, 1,420 dry,
11 6,242 wet.

12 Charleston, West Virginia,
13 1,275 ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ for, 3,296
14 against.

15 ~~We now return to our program.~~

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17 Now lets see what has happened
18 in the Lindbergh case.

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1 The hunt for the ~~Lindbergh~~ baby
2 has swung ^{back} to Connecticut. The New York
3 Evening Post reports that three members
4 of the Bomb Squad of the New York Police
5 have been making a search of rooming
6 houses at Waterbury, Connecticut. The
7 detectives say that they are on the trail
8 of three suspects--two men, a woman and
9 a child, who travelled from New Jersey
10 to Bridgeport, stayed at Bridgeport
11 Monday night and then went on to
12 Waterbury.

13 Well, this new clue crops up when
14 just about all the other leads in the
15 Lindbergh case have failed.

16 Colonel Schwartz~~ko~~of, Superintendent
17 of the New Jersey State Police, declared
18 today that the suspicion involving two
19 former servants in the New Jersey
20 household, ~~have~~ ^{has} come to nothing. One
21 supposed clue was the disappearance of
22 the chisel, which it was thought might
23 be the same one found ^{outside below the nursery window} ~~in the Lindbergh~~
24 But the chisel which was supposed to
25 have disappeared, has been found.

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This leaves the Lindbergh case still
a blank mystery--unless the new Connecticut
clue means something.

here's something that is not for

1 Well, you grown-up folks, ~~might as~~
2 ~~well shut your ears for a minute. I've~~
3 ~~got a few words for~~ ^{*this is for*} the young ^{*chaps.*} ~~fellows.~~
4 Last week I had something to say about
5 the junior salesmen for the Literary
6 Digest, and told how when I was a boy I
7 sold newspapers and magazines in the
8 town where I was raised, the old Colorado
9 mining camp of Cripple Creek. That's the
10 way I earned spending money when I was
11 going to school.

12 Well, I've been swamped with
13 hundreds of letters from boys, those
14 sturdy young chaps who sell the Literary
15 Digest. They tell me about their
16 experiences as junior salesmen. I
17 haven't been able to answer all of them
18 as yet -- there are so many. But you
19 can bet your life I'm reading those
20 letters, and I'll send a reply to every
21 one. Meanwhile, I ~~just~~ want to thank
22 ~~these~~ boys for writing and telling me how
23 they're making out. And I want to
24 congratulate them on the way they're
25 tackling their jobs. The Junior Sales

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1 Division Manager of the Literary Digest
2 tells me that you young fellows are
3 doing some ~~mighty fine~~ ^{great} work, ~~and he~~ Well,
4 ~~added that~~ there are a lot of you who,
5 when you grow up and become ~~busy~~ ^{Captains}
6 ~~of Industry~~ ^{executives} or something like that --
7 ~~well, you may~~ ^{will} get a big thrill yourselves
8 from reading letters sent you by
9 youngsters, who ^{tell of their hopes and ambitions,}
10 ~~are just starting in and~~
11 ~~doing their bit.~~

1 They say that a whole lot of
2 Germans were all set to receive a sad
3 message. That message was supposed to
4 read: "Grandmother died - Max."

5 But this wasn't any ~~mere~~ case of
6 family bereavement. The report is that
7 the melancholy message was intended to
8 be a signal for a revolt.

9 The United Press, in the New
10 York World-Telegram, tells that the
11 Prussian police made a series of raids
12 today. The German cops shouldered their
13 way into the headquarters of the various
14 branches of the Fascist party. They
15 made these raids on the information
16 that Adolf Hitler and his cohorts were
17 all set for a scheme to seize the
18 government by force. It is charged
19 that Hitler's revolutionary plot was
20 complete even to the detail of a
21 pre-arranged password. That message
22 about grandmother was the secret
23 command. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ it was supposed
24 to tell the stalwarts of the Fascist
25 party that the moment had come for an
armed uprising. *But somebody spilled
the beans.*

1 More trouble is reported from
2 the much troubled land of Manchuria.
3 They say that a hundred thousand Chinese
4 rebels are marching on the city of
5 Mukden. They are in revolt against the
6 new government which the Japanese have
7 established, a regime headed by ~~XXXXX~~
8 Pu-yi, former ~~the~~ the boy emperor of
9 China.

10 This huge force of Chinese
11 revolutionaries is reported to be
12 destroying the flag of the new Manchurian
13 state whenever they run across any of
14 these emblems in villages that they have
15 occupied.

16 *It looks like storms ahead*
17 *for Pu-yi.*

1 Well, I've been celebrating Saint
2 Patrick's Day in ~~an~~ appropriate fashion.
3 I mean, I spent a couple of hours
4 reading several chapters of a book, but
5 it was an appropriate book.

6 The other day I was talking to an
7 Irish author, a man who has written a
8 whole group of scholarly volumes. His
9 latest book, called "Frail Anne Boleyn,"
10 which tells of the times of Henry the
11 Eighth, has been a recent ~~success of the~~
12 ~~best-seller, class.~~ But what is more to
13 the point today is the fact that
14 Benedict Fitzpatrick is the author of
15 two volumes which tell us of the great
16 part that old Ireland has played in
17 Western civilization. One volume is
18 called "Ireland and the Foundations of
19 Europe." The other -- "Ireland and the
20 Making of Britain."

21 Well, Benedict Fitzpatrick told me
22 some ~~mighty~~ interesting things about how
23 in the Dark Ages Ireland held aloft the
24 torch of civilization and sent her
25 teachers and missionaries to the rest of

1 Europe, with messages of scholarship and
2 Christianity.

3 ~~Well,~~ That got me interested, and
4 I've been snatching spare moments in the
5 office and reading that book, "Ireland
6 and the Foundations of Europe." It
7 certainly has put me into the right mood
8 for Saint Patrick's Day. It makes me
9 feel what a lucky thing it was that the
10 good Saint converted Ireland and made it
11 the Island of Saints and Scholars.

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13 The weather in these parts has been
14 simply miserable all day -- chilly and
15 rainy. But that didn't keep the annual
16 Saint Patrick's Day parade from marching
17 its sturdy way up Fifth Avenue. And all
18 over the country Irishmen and men of
19 Irish descent celebrated the day with
20 the usual enthusiastic turn-outs.

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22 And now let's go on to a Saint
23 Patrick's Day story. In Philadelphia an
24 Irishman selling shamrocks went to the
25 house of Mrs. Gladys Tompkins and tried

1 to sell her a shamrock for 15 cents.
2 Mrs. Tompkins wanted to buy one, but she
3 had no change -- only a 20-dollar gold
4 piece. The Irishman said he'd get change
5 ~~for the 20-dollar gold piece,~~ and leave
6 his big bunch of shamrocks for security.
7 Mrs. Tompkins said ALL RIGHT. The
8 Irishman left the shamrocks, worth about
9 2 dollars, and went off with the 20-
10 dollar gold piece.

11 The United Press tells how Mrs.
12 Tompkins waited for an hour, and he
13 didn't return. And she thought that was
14 a mighty mean trick for a gael to play
15 on Saint Patrick's Day. So she phoned
16 the police, and a detective appeared and
17 smiled a cynical smile when the indignant
18 Mrs. Tompkins told her story.

19 At this point a man came dashing
20 breathlessly to the door. It was that
21 same shamrock salesman.

22 "Here's your change, lady," he
23 panted in a rich Irish brogue. "I had
24 a divil of a time getting change for a
25 20-dollar gold piece. *Sure, and I did.*"

1 And when he was told that they
2 thought he wasn't coming back -- well,
3 that got his Irish up.

4 "Do you think," he stormed, "an
5 Irishman would do a thing like that on
6 Saint Patrick's Day?"

7 And so he took his large bunch of
8 shamrocks and departed, ^{saying loudly in Gaelic} ~~with an indignant~~
9 SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.