

Good Evening, Everybody:

What weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth there is (in Reno, Nevada, today. The Acting Governor of the State has proclaimed a two weeks' bank holiday. As a result, thirteen of the twenty-five banks in Nevada have *temporarily* closed down to re-open November 14th.) Incidentally, the Lieutenant Governor has also suspended all debts, obligations, and public salaries.

A dispatch to the Pittsburgh Press says this has raised havoc in the gambling halls, ^{beverage parlors} ~~the speakeasies~~, and the other resorts of Reno frequented by the divorce colony. Two of the three banks in Reno promptly took advantage of the moratorium, thus leaving not only the ranchers and the merchants of Nevada, but also the divorce hunters up against the important question "what shall we use for money?" *It's for two weeks -*

Just temporary.

LONDON

A gentleman described by the English newspapers as "the Napoleon of the unemployed", was arrested by the London Bobbies at noon today. A dispatch to the New York Evening Post says he was to have led the hunger marchers in their visit to the House of Commons tonight. It was tonight that the jobless of England proposed to present their petition to Parliament.

The arrest of the Jobless Napoleon is described as part of an effort by the police to forestall serious rioting, tonight.

Incidentally, the jobless Napoleon has been credited with the responsibility for all of the thirty-eight riots that have raged over Great Britain this fall.

The dispatch adds that the Daily Worker, which is the organ of the Communists in England, has ordered its readers to muster in their thousands in *Parliament* Square this evening, ~~in~~ ~~front~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~House~~ ~~of~~ ~~Commons~~. ~~Fighting is liable to occur in many districts all over London.~~

ADD LONDON

Immediately following

~~After~~[^] the arrest of the unemployed Napoleon, a deputation of four from the hunger army reached the House of Commons late today. The hunger delegates were admitted immediately and presented their petition formally to Parliament.

Following this, ^{tonight's} ~~the~~ mass march ~~on Parliament~~[^] which had been planned, was cancelled.

GAME

Today opens the hunting season in several states. In Maine, ~~for one, or Deer, which~~ ^{deer} are reported to be plentiful. ~~in that state.~~ The camps and lodges scattered throughout Maine are occupied by hunters from no less than sixteen out of forty-eight states in the Union.

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In New York, ~~City this~~ ^{update} day opened the season on ducks, rabbits, quail, pheasant, and squirrels.

Farmers are hereby warned to take such means as they can devise to protect themselves. The State Game Commissioner tells me there is no open season on farmers. There's also no closed season on hunters who are bum shots.

Here's hoping they all escape.

DEER

I have an interesting letter/~~here~~ from Hawley, Pa.

Its author is Mr. John C. Dorflinger. Mr. Dorflinger comments on my remarks recently that Pennsylvania leads all the states in the Union as a hunting ground. Mr. Dorflinger says this is particularly true of Pike County.

The other night, he reports, Mr. George Unger of Boyertown, Pa., who has a cabin in Pike County, started out to count deer. Within a distance of ten miles, without leaving ~~their~~^{his} car, ~~they~~^{he} counted no less than 87, just within a distance of 10 miles. This record was broken the night before by a neighbor, who reported having seen 205 deer in a single night.

COP

A marksmanship note from Chicago. Policeman Harry Martin of the Chicago force, ^{saw} ~~xxx~~ some tough looking characters ride, in an automobile, past a stop light. They paid no attention to his whistle, so he fired at them. He fired twice. Each of his bullets landed, one of them in his own thigh and the other in his own ankle. *cough.*

IMMIGRATION

I found a story in the Toronto Star which hardly needs any description. Some four and a half years ago a German painter, ^{an artist,} came with his wife and two sons to Canada. Twelve days ago he crossed over the border to Rouse's Point, New York, to complete a painting which he had started. The Immigration Officers of the United States arrested him. He is now in the county jail, ^{at Albany,} although it has not been established that he had any intention of entering the United States illegally, he just ^{crossed the border} ~~came here~~ to paint a picture.

The idea now is to deport him, not back to Canada where his wife and two sons are. ~~But~~ He will be deported to Germany just to make things easy for him and his family.

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HOOVER

(I presume most of you heard the important speeches delivered by Mr. Hoover and Mr. Roosevelt last night. So, I'll not give a resume of them.) But here is a side-light.

New York policemen breathed a sigh of relief today when their responsibility for the safety of the President ended. Newspapers tonight are telling about one incident last night which might have been serious. Actually it was a passing incident seen by very few people. As the President's car slowed down, approaching the Waldorf-Astoria, a man rushed from the curb and jumped on the running board. He lifted his hand as if to strike the President. Mr. Hoover recoiled and ^{at} a shout from one of the guards the chauffeur started the car. One of the President's bodyguard caught the stranger around the neck and hurled him to the pavement. The man got to his feet and disappeared in the crowd before the police knew what had happened.

The whole incident passed off almost unnoticed.

(The news in the campaign is that Mr. Hoover's next important speech will be in St. Louis, Mo., Friday night. He will speak at Springfield, Illinois, on Friday afternoon -- and in Minneapolis on Saturday.) His plans thereafter up to election

day, are said to be indefinite.

Dispatches from Washington report that Republican leaders have urged Mr. Hoover to take a definite stand for Prohibition repeal. The dispatch adds that the President has rejected all the pleadings of the G.O.P. leaders, and proposes to stand exactly where he stood when he made his speech of acceptance.

ADD HOOVER

Incidentally, ~~the~~ Senator Huey P. Long of Louisiana, the celebrated ^{king} ~~cat~~fish, somewhat astonished the country today by accusing the President of plagiarizing from him - that is, ~~the ^{king} ~~cat~~fish~~ - in last night's New York speech.

ODDS

The following story is strictly against my principles.

I only tell it because a telegram from Mr. Gilman of Chester, Nova Scotia, asks me to tell what are the Wall Street betting odds on the election.

Appropriately enough, on the front page of the New York Sun I happened to find a story to the effect that in Chicago today forty-eight thousand was placed on Roosevelt at odds of 16 to 5, more than three to one.

Just to make a thorough job of it, I perhaps should add 2-1/2 to 1 is offered that Roosevelt carries California. Anybody who wants this bet can get it up to one hundred thousand dollars, they say. (You can get three hundred thousand dollars at 3 to 1 that Roosevelt is elected. You can get even money that Roosevelt carries California by a hundred and seventy-five thousand majority. You can get even money that F.D. carries New York by 200,000.) You can ^{get} even money that he carries Illinois by a hundred and Fifty thousand. You can get even money that you can't name eight states which Mr. Hoover will carry. But a friend of mine sitting here in the studio says this is all hooley. You can hear

plenty both ways.

I trust that this strictly immoral story will satisfy those who are interested in betting if there are any.

LABRADOR

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Maybe you will indulge me while I send a message to a friend in Labrador. I have a post card received today from Mr. Stephen Loveridge in Battle Harbor, Labrador. It is dated September 22nd. Mr. Loveridge ^{said} ~~says~~ he had just heard our news broadcast of that date. You may be interested to know that he ~~heard~~ ^{by short wave from} it ~~from Station KDKA in~~ Pittsburgh.

Mr. Loveridge adds that he proposed ^d to listen in again on the third and ~~ten~~ ^h on the sixty of October. I'm sorry I didn't get his post card sooner, ^{He sent it to Pittsburg.} but I hope he ~~will~~ ^s receive this greeting and acknowledgment of his message.

AIRWAYS

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A dispatch from Washington to the Detroit News reports an important development in aerial transportation. The Post Office Department today extended its airmail and passenger service on the transcontinental route. It is explained that this is done to meet increased demands. Under the revised schedule which went into force today, the service will provide three transcontinental ^{plane departures} ~~dispatches~~ daily from New York instead of two. There will be an additional round trip to Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, Columbus, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Kansas City. From Los Angeles to Kansas City there will be two round trips instead of one every day. ^{Then} a dispatch from general headquarters of the Transcontinental and Western Air Lines at Kansas City, Missouri, reports that coast to coast passenger service will be inaugurated on a twenty-four hour schedule. This schedule will be effective November 5th. This represents a reduction of eleven hours from the existing time. It will

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enable passengers to leave Los Angeles after breakfast
one morning and arrive in New York the next morning, with
intermediate stops at Winslow, Albuquerque, Amarillo,
Wichita, Kansas City, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Columbus,
~~Pittsburgh~~ Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, and Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA

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City employees in the City of Brotherly Love were in a tough spot today. The City of Brotherly Love was unable to meet its semi-monthly payroll. Twenty-eight thousand employees should have received salaries amounting to a total of one million three hundred ^{and} fifty thousand dollars. But they didn't get it. No announcement was made as to what will be done.

FLORIDA

A grand jury in Jacksonville, Florida, indicted nine men on a charge of attacking and flogging defenceless men and women in so-called night-riding-raids. Five of the men have been arrested.

A dispatch to the Atlanta Journal points out that the news of these night riding outrages come on top of the revelations of torture practised in the Florida prison camps.

R.F.C.

Here's an item from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in Washington which seemed ~~ed to me~~^s interesting.

A dispatch to the Indianapolis Times relates that the R.F.C. has recently granted seven loans for projects which are self-liquidating. One of them is a program to eliminate slums in New York. The other schemes for which the R.F.C. has lent money are of a similar nature.

TRUCKS

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You didn't know that a war was going on in the United States, did you? It started between the states of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The Keystone State, so the folks say, started it by refusing to allow trucks with license plates issued by other states to operate for hire within the boundaries of Pennsylvania.

When Pennsylvania started this, New Jersey replied in effect: "All right, if you want to get tough, so will we". So New Jersey reciprocated. The Automotive Daily News reports today that the states of Delaware and Maryland have joined the war of retaliation against Pennsylvania. If this sort of thing keeps up, it is liable to make motor travel within these happy states rather complicated.

GALE

The following is an unusual sort of story to report from New York City. ~~The gale~~ A gale swept down on that part of ^{Greater New York} ~~the city~~ which is on Long Island, and no less than eighty bungalows were blown down. Twenty of them were swept by the gale ^{right out} into Jamaica Bay. Some of the houses caught fire and the fire department had a tough job in that high wind. The damage of the gale was increased by high tides.

And by the way my office was in the midst of that breeze. The anemometer — which is high brow for a wind-registering machine, recorded a wind velocity ~~of~~ at the top of the Empire State Bldg., of 105 miles an hour. That's the record since the building was erected.

PIGEON

A fire ~~that~~ started in Milford, Mass. the other day — *a fire.*
~~was~~ of mysterious origin. The state ~~fire~~ inspectors in-
vestigated and, so ~~says~~ a dispatch to the Albany Evening
states that
News, [^] they discovered it had been started by a pigeon.

The pigeon had picked up a lighted cigarette in the
street. With this it flew up into a ~~fire~~ shed and evidently
dropped it. Hence the fire. This may sound like a ~~fire~~
as a Tall Story
fire insurance ad, [^] but it isn't.

TEETH

(1) Now follows the tragedy of a set of false teeth.

A gentleman who hails from County Mayo started out last night in New York City, the very night of Mr. Hoover's personal appearance at Madison Square Garden, to do a little spell binding for Al Smith and Governor Roosevelt. The gentleman started for Madison Square Garden with the pious intention of doing a little high class boogie. The trouble with that was he couldn't get into the Garden. But there were plenty of places near by that he could get into, and did.

Thereafter he started to address several impromptu street meetings. For 10 minutes, ~~the next day~~ he held an audience of several hundred entranced right on Broadway. In fact, the crowd was so large that traffic was held up and an unsympathetic copper investigated. The Law discovered that the orator had no license to speak on the public streets so he was taken to the ^{calaboose.} ~~station.~~ When he faced the desk lieutenant, he was about to give a most satisfactory explanation. Unfortunately, at the crucial moment, his false teeth dropped out and he became speechless.

And my false have just fallen out so I'd better say e-l-u-t-m.