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## NAVY DAY

This is an important anniversary in the history of Uncle Sam, for today is Navy Day, the anniversary of the date on which the Continental Congress created the American navy. Every naval station in the United States and all the navy yards, in fact everything belonging to the Navy Department, was thrown open to visitors.  Appropriate<sup>ly</sup> enough, this is also the seventy-fifth anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt. His successor, the present president, sent a wreath of flowers to be put on T.R.'s grave.

## ZENGER

Tomorrow <sup>also</sup> ~~also~~ is the anniversary of a great date in the history of the country, for on October 29th, two hundred years ago, a famous election took place on the village green outside St. Paul's Church at East Chester, New York. This election marked the publication of the first anti-government newspaper in America, the newspaper of John Peter Zenger, who goes down <sup>in</sup> the pages of history as the <sup>father</sup> ~~founder~~ of the freedom of the press. In the first edition of his paper, Zenger started a staunch and outspoken campaign against the wrong-doings of the British government. The government arrested Zenger and put him on trial for libel. It was one of the most sensational trials, not only here but anywhere in the world, and it resulted in the verdict of acquittal of Zenger. That was the trial which established freedom of the press.

Outside that same St. Paul's Church at East Chester tomorrow there will be great celebration <sup>of</sup> ~~for~~ this occasion. Among the speakers will be Colonel Robert McCormick of the Chicago Tribune, Kent Cooper of the Associated Press, Carl Bickel of the United Press and Congressman Beck of Pennsylvania.

FORD

An exchange of compliments is taking place between the N R A administration and the Ford Company. The N R A people are shaking the big stick at the Ford Company because the latter have they say declined to furnish information concerning the wages they pay, the hours their men have to work and the cost of operation.

So much for the government's attitude towards Mr. Ford and his Company. Now for the Ford retort to General Johnson. It reads as follows:- "Mr. Johnson's vocabulary has got him down again. Before assuming the airs of a dictator he should fortify himself with evidence that Henry Ford has refused compliance with government requirements. The public has known the Ford Motor Company for thirty years and is not dependent on Mr. Johnson for information concerning it." The statement then continues:- "It is an act of injustice for Mr. Johnson to intimate that any refusal has been made of any proper demand on the Ford Motor Company, especially since Mr. Johnson knows that even his original signers have not yet had time to file the report which he charges this company with refusing. We suggest a code of fair publicity for Mr. Johnson's interviews."

*bat!* That's hot stuff right off Mr. Ford's

## GOLD

The price that Uncle Sam is paying for newly mined American gold <sup>has gone</sup> ~~went~~ up again ~~today~~. In fact, it went up even more than it did yesterday. The figure announced by the treasury today is \$31.76 an ounce; ~~which is~~ 22¢ higher than yesterday, and 74¢ more than the ~~one~~ <sup>ation</sup> quoted on the London market.

## BUILDING

( Uncle Sam is perfecting plans to spend a considerable portion of the three billion, three hundred million dollar public works allotment on housing projects. The Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Ickes, who is Administrator of the Public Works Program, announces today that a new body, called the Federal Housing Corporation, is going to be established under the laws of Delaware.) This corporation will be for the purpose of financing housing projects, houses to be build at low cost, principally apartments. The elimination of slums is a part of the purpose of this program.

## LIQUOR

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The government is also making plans by which grain farmers will derive a direct benefit as soon as the prohibition amendment is repealed. Inasmuch as this will mean a hugh increase in the manufacture of distilled liquors, the government is preparing marketing agreements to govern these transactions. Under these agreements, the distillers will pay the farmers pre-war prices for all the grain they use. This plan is part of the administration's program to benefit agriculture.

## SEADROME

One important project which is to be decided in Washington next week will be the scheme for building eight giant seadromes in the Atlantic Ocean between the United States and Europe. This is the project of the Seadrome Ocean Dock Corporation <sup>of</sup> ~~at~~ Wilmington, Delaware, which I mentioned some weeks ago. These seadromes will make rapid airplane transportation ~~for the~~ over the Atlantic for both passengers and mails an ~~accomplished~~ accomplished fact. These seadromes are <sup>to be</sup> nothing but huge steel floating landing stations which will be fastened <sup>to</sup> ~~at~~ the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean. The Seadrome Ocean Dock Corporation has asked the Public Works Administration for a loan of thirty million dollars to accomplish this project. The request will come up for hearing on Monday before the technical board of review of the Federal Works Administration.



GENEVA

An unexpected bit of information comes from Geneva. **That** Disarmament Conference was scheduled to resume discussions on December 4th. However, Arthur Henderson, the British Labor Leader, who is President of the Conference, suddenly decided to call it to order ahead of that date. Consequently, the next meeting will begin next Friday.

*Why all the rush? We'll hear about that next week.*

N. B. C.

PALESTINE

( Rioting has broken out again in Palestine, rioting between Arabs and Jews. It seems that the Arabs had become incensed because the ascension to power of the Hitler government in Germany has brought about a considerable immigration of Jewish people into the Holy Land. ) The streets of Tela vio, Richon le Zion, and the new city outside the walls of old Zion are crowded with newcomers these days. All this brought about more bloodshed on the streets of Jerusalem where blood has flowed almost continuously for thousands of years. A wireless from the Holy City, which comes to me by way of London, carries the information that there was rioting all day between Jewish and anti-Jewish forces. It was not until five people had been killed, including two policemen, and a hundred and fifteen wounded, that the British authorities succeeded in restoring peace in the City of Peace, where there seldom is peace.

NBC

PARIS

The new French Cabinet of Premier Sarraut has been announced.

It includes the resigning prime minister Daladier and twelve of his colleagues. One of the first things the new government did was to

~~announce~~<sup>proclaim</sup> the determination to stick by the <sup>good old</sup> gold standard.

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## LINDBERGH

When Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh took off in their plane from Scotland yesterday, they were exceedingly mysterious about their destination. Today they bobbed up in Paris quite unexpected, by anybody but themselves. They landed at the same airdrome where the Colonel came to earth after his history-making solo flight across the Atlantic in 1927.

A dispatch from Paris, by way of London, has it that the Colonel rather "got the goat" of the Parisian newspaper men. He was curt to the reporters and both he and Mrs. Lindbergh were camera shy. One French paper declared: "the reticence, secrecy and shyness of the Lindberghs was even worse than that of Greta Garbo."

From which we may infer that the Colonel did not give the boys much stuff.

Mrs. Lindbergh said she was homesick for her baby! As for flying home, nothing doing they are coming home on a boat.

N.B.C.

T. W. A. - AVIATION ITEM

Trans-continental and Western Air, the Lindbergh line which is associated with the Pennsylvania Railroad, is getting ready to put an entirely new fleet of giant planes on the trans-continental run. I have just seen one and it certainly is a leviathan of the air. Beautifully stream-lined, with super-charged motors that develop fourteen hundred horsepower. Its cabin, for the first time in the history of aviation, has room for passengers to stroll around instead of being limited to a narrow little chair.

And by the way, one of the executives of TWA is Lieutenant Leslie Arnold, who was a pilot on man's first flight around the world; And these new giant air-liners were designed by Donald Douglas, the same chap who designed and built the plane in which the first world flight was made.

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INDIANA

The Indiana authorities are taking intensive precautions against riots and bloodshed in case of further labor troubles. A new force has been organized of some five hundred enlisted men and seventy officers of the National Guard. The purpose of this new corps is to reinforce the state police in the various counties.

5- These national guard soldiers are being sworn in as special deputies and will work under the State Superintendent of Police from certain strategic points. These strategic points are being kept secret.

However, this force will not be used <sup>exclusively</sup> ~~only~~ in case of labor troubles.

It is to function against crime in general.

N. B. C.

## FOOTBALL

The football season is becoming particularly keen and interesting, especially after those dramatic upsets of last Saturday. Several *more* crucial <sup>*games*</sup> ~~plays~~ are going to be played tomorrow. For instance, the Army will play Yale at the Yale Bowl: - thirty bus loads of cadets will leave West Point for New Haven tomorrow morning. Then, at Cambridge, Harvard will entertain the big green team from Dartmouth. Another game in the east will be that between New York University and Georgia. In the middle west Notre Dame will stage another battle with those Pittsburgh Panthers, <sup>*and there are many other equally important.*</sup> while Ohio State meets Northwestern, <sup>*and*</sup> On the coast the principal games will be between California and Southern California, and Leland Stanford will encounter Washington. *Of course* the game you are going to will be the most important one of all!

CITIZENS

Here's something <sup>else</sup> of interest in the sporting world. Jimmy McLarnin, the world's wel<sup>er</sup>weight champion, became an American citizen today at the Federal Court in Los Angeles, and with him his manager, Pop Foster. Jimmy, as all box fight fans know, was born in Belfast.

An observer advises me <sup>of an ironic incident which occurred</sup> that while these proceedings were going on, ~~The~~ sister of Jack Kearns, who managed Jack Dempsey, so successfully for so many years, was the principal figure in another court. She pleaded guilty to having stolen eight hats from the counter of a department store.



## FARMS

The farm holiday movement seems to be losing ground. There are evidences today that ~~considered~~ a considerable section of the farmers in Iowa are out of sympathy with the movement. Several "anti-holiday" groups have been formed ~~x~~ in the vicinity of Des Moines and other parts of the state as well.

I learn that there's practically no picketing of the highways in Iowa <sup>now</sup> ~~today~~. The farmers are not selling much, but that's because they are waiting for higher prices, not because they're joining in the strike.

STORM

You'd better batter down your hatches and lash your chicken coups firmly tonight. <sup>(I wonder if my prophesy will be correct this time?)</sup> The coast guard stations all along the Atlantic seaboard have been notified to be ready for any emergency within the next twenty-four hours, so all the boys are sleeping tonight with one eye open. The reason is that the weather sharks have spotted a terrific storm which they say may develop into a <sup>real stem-winder</sup> ~~regular tropical~~ hurricane. It is blowing northward at a rapid rate and at five o'clock this afternoon ~~it~~ was only three hundred miles southeast of Cape Hatteras. <sup>Maybe</sup> it's whistling around some of your ears right now.

MOONEY

America's most famous prisoner, Tom Mooney, is going to make another appeal to the United States Supreme Court. The partner who was convicted with him, <sup>convicted of</sup> ~~Warren K. Billings~~, in the bombing on Preparedness Day, <sup>in San Francisco,</sup> ~~sixteen~~ <sup>Warren Billings</sup> years ago, has put in his plea for a ~~back~~ parole. ~~pardon,~~ <sup>Tom</sup> But Mooney has refused offers of either pardon or parol. He demands complete freedom and absolution because he sticks to his claim that he is innocent.

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## BOY AND MORTGAGE

A twelve year old Trenton N.J. boy listened to the President's address Sunday night in which Mr. Roosevelt said:-

"If anyone is in danger of losing his or her home, just telegraph to the Home Owners Loan Corporation at once."

A small boy, named Adam Schmidt, wrote to the President:

"I am 12 years old and am going into Eight Grade. Please, sir, President Roosevelt, I feel sorry for my mother. Mother cries day and night because we are going to lose our home. The man is going to sell the house on the 30th of August and take an action on our furniture. Because my father can't pay the mortgage. There are seven in the family, counting me. The oldest brother is 22 years old and is married. When he had his job his wife was with him. When he lost his job his wife went away. My brother Joe was 19 years old and died. My brother Bob is 17 years old and had an operation. I am 12 years old. My sister is 7 years old. My mother is 50 years old and had an operation, this all happened in 6 years. My father is 53 years old, worked his lifetime for our home. My father is willing to sign his name for the home and not the furniture.

Please Sir President Roosevelt I always worry that something

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might happen to my mother. I lose everything what I got. Please can you do something for our family? I am willing to sleep under a tree but I feel sorry for my mother, and my father, my sister and the rest of the family. Please help us do something. Thanks a thousand times.

Yours truly

ADAM M. SCHMIDT  
118 Dayton Street  
Trenton, New Jersey

P.S. Do not write to my parents or me. My father and mother were always good citizens.

Well, the president turned the letter over to the proper board with his initials on it; and today the New Jersey Home Loan Board made its first loan by granting the boy's father a loan to pay off the mortgage!

**BARBERS**  
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A new specimen of N R A chiseling has been unearthed in Los Angeles. A complaint has been sent to the N R A Administration in California that the boss-~~barbers~~ <sup>been</sup> have <sup>ing</sup> described their shops as barber schools and their workers as students. This <sup>has</sup> enabled them to violate the State Code. For the customer it is not so bad, because these schools sell haircuts for 25¢, <sup>-two-bits-</sup> while the California code says that a barber may not charge less than 65¢.

## ELECTION

The race for the mayoralty stakes in New York City is coming into the last lap, and a bitterly contested race it is. Never have Bronx bouquets been thrown from candidate to candidate with a more lavish hand.

While these sour compliments are being exchanged, the semi-final returns from the Literary Digest Poll were made public. They show that Joe McKee gained on his most formidable adversary, ex-congressman and Major LaGuardia. However, the major is still in the lead in all five of Father Knickerbocker's boroughs. The total of the vote counted in this poll so far is 452,738. Of these, 217,599 were for LaGuardia, while McKee got 169,715. Mayor O'Brien has only 51,562.

As analyzed by the editors of the Digest, this means that the Major has 48.06% of the total, Judge McKee has 37.49% and the present Mayor has 11.39 percent. So Mr. McKee has gained.

The Digest reports another interesting feature of the latest returns in this poll. That is, that McKee has been gaining notably in the last few days, ever since the tempermental



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major made public an accusation against Judge McKee was quickly shown to be without foundation.

LITERARY DIGEST

SUNOCO ENDING

Mary Johnston of Connellsville, Pennsylvania, sends me an item, about her niece, a wee little girl named Minerva Ann Pearl, four years old. Her aunt called upstairs to her and said:

"Minerva Ann Pearl, you hurry down here and get ready for school!"

To which little Minerva replied: "I can't hurry. I'M just out of Blue Sunoco."

I'm not out of Blue Sunoco, but I've run out of air for this week. So -- SO LONG UNTIL MONDAY.

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