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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

It looks as if the Maritime strike would be averted. That's the late news from Washington tonight. The government has taken over negotiations from the shipping companies, federal officials are dealing with the unions-- and they've drawn up an agreement that the Unions are expected to accept.

There were earlier intimations from Union Chiefs Curran and Bridges that they'd settle with the Government, and the latest is from the shipping companies. A company spokesman states that the terms the government is proposing will be completely acceptable to the Unions. And what about the shipowners themselves. They say that, so far as they are concerned, the government proposal is-- "An edict," which they will have to accept.

## SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court feud flared in the Senate today with the Republican demand for the resignation of Justice Hugo Black. This, ~~of course,~~ <sup>may</sup> follow the denunciation of Black by his fellow Supreme Court Justice, Robert H. Jackson -- who accused Black of insisting on participating in a case in which his former law partner represented one side.

Justice Black was denounced on that score by Senatore Bridges of New Hampshire today, who further attacked the Supreme Court Justice for having spoken at a rally of the C.I.O. Political Action Committee in New York. "I Insist," Declared Bridges, "That if a Justice of the Supreme Court desires to make political speeches in ~~support~~ support of political objectives, he should get off the bench, and I mean -- resign," Said the Justice.

## ITALY

The latest, km just off the wire, tells of a compromise in Italy. King Humbert has agreed to leave Rome. In return, the government will delay the official proclamation of a Republic until the Italian supreme court has acted.

The court is considering charges of election frauds brought by the Monarchists, and must hand down a decree to make the election official.

We are told that Humbert's insistent and stubborn refusal to eliminate himself from the scene has deeply angered the Ministers of the government. Today's news tells how the elder statesmen, Orlando, Bonomi and Nitti had a conference with the King. They were all former Premiers of Italy, and were supporters



of the Monarchy in the election. They are said to have advised him to yield, so that the Republic could be formally proclaimed, ~~but~~ Humbert was obdurate, but finally agreed to the compromise, the news of which has just come.

¶ So tonight Italy is still in the ambiguous position of not knowing whether it's a Republic or a Monarchy, and today the disturbances continued more violently than ever. Last night there was a wild outbreak in Naples, the main stronghold of the Monarchists -- Royalist crowds on the rampage. The same story at the Naval Base at Taranto. Disorders of last night were renewed today at Taranto -- with violent clashes between Republicans and Monarchists, who fought with rifles and hand-grenades.

In Rome today there were pitched battles between rival crowds. In one of Rome's large plazas, mobs numbering a total of eight thousand, Republicans and Monarchists, waged a regular war -- with the police trying to break it up.

Today's casualties numbered twelve killed and several hundred injured -- as Italy goes through



turmoil in transforming itself from a Monarchy into a Republic.

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## MUFTI

The French Government makes an official statement on the escape of the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem from France. The religious head of the Palestine Arabs left France on an American passenger plane, and flew to Cairo. He was under an assumed name, and had a false passport -- which had been issued to him by the Syrian Legation in Paris.

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The confusion extends to the High Realm of International politics. Word from Paris relates how the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem was picked up by French Forces in Germany, when the Nazis collapsed. He had previously fled from the British in Palestine, and was accused by the London Government of having collaborated with the Nazis. In Germany, he tried to help Hitler in the war. So, when the French caught him, they offered to turn him over to the British -- the natural thing. But, they found the British didn't want the Grand Mufti, regarding him, apparently, as some kind of hot potato. Which left the French holding the bag, or rather, <sup>holding</sup> the Grand Mufti.

Now that he has escaped to the Realms of Islam, the British announce they are looking for him. But, at the same time, they have all along refrained from bringing any ~~charged~~ charges against the ~~f~~ Mufti as a war criminal. So what will they do with him, if they find him? The answer lies deep in the dilemma



that confronts Great Britain in the East -- the  
Zionist demands on one side and the dangerous Mohammedan  
world on the other.

Ernest Bevin.

## BEVIN

It's inevitable where the headline stress should be in reporting the statements made by British Foreign Secretary Bevin today. What he said about America and Palestine had a startling sound.

As a background for this, we may note the type of audience that Bevin, the tough outspoken Labor Leader of old, was addressing. He was making a defense of his foreign policy before the annual conference of the British Labor Party. He was talking with the blunt candor he always used at Union Meetings, where tough talking is the rule.

Bevin was speaking of the American demand that a hundred thousand Zionists be admitted into Palestine, and we might as well have a direct quotation of what he said. Here it is; "The agitation in the United States particularly in New York, for a hundred thousand Jews to be put into Palestine -- and I don't want Americans to misunderstand me" -- <sup>said Bevin,</sup> "is because they do not want too many of them in New York," <sup>So</sup> said Ernest Bevin.

*And then the British*

~~So this the~~ Foreign Secretary added: "If

we put a hundred thousand Jews in Palestine tomorrow, I would have to put another division of British Troops there -- and I am not prepared to do it." And his contention was that the admission of a hundred thousand was only touching the fringe of the problem of the Jews in Europe. *He said* It would only be a beginner, with ever increasing problems of immigration into Palestine *to follow.*

All of which might seem to indicate ~~that~~ the British Government is prepared to *do on that* ~~report the~~ recommendation of the joint British-American inquiry -- which proposed the immediate admission of a hundred thousand Zionist immigrants into Palestine.

*to* Bevin was equally forthright in *to* talking about Soviet Russia. The Left Wing of the Labor Party has been agitating bitterly against British opposition to Soviet expansion. Bevin, in most vigorous terms, defended his policy down the line. He accused the Soviets of deliberately blocking efforts to make peace arrangements in Europe, and he declared: "I say no



nation is going to keep me in a state of war forever with other countries".

He tackled still another touchy subject -- Franco Spain, and stated that the British Government is not going to support a break with France ~~or any~~ <sup>and has</sup> <sup>no</sup> idea of taking <sup>any</sup> action against the Spanish Government.

The result of it all was an overwhelming victory for Labor Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin. Various motions to censure him were withdrawn, and then the Labor Party Conference gave him a vote of confidence by a huge majority.

This was followed by a vote on the subject of the British Communists. As usual, the Reds made an attempt to affiliate with the Labor ~~Party~~ Party -- Communists wanting to get inside the official ranks of labor. The motion was defeated by a majority of two million, six hundred thousand to four hundred and sixty-eight thousand -- Labor Party delegates voting according to the number of constituents they represent. Not only that -- the conference today voted to amend

its constitution, and this new amendment provides that any affiliation with the Communist Party is forbidden. That ban now is in the Labor Party constitution.

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MAX EASTMAN

*There's* An old truism that some things are so simple and obvious that we seldom do them - such as taking a look at a book in which a dictator states his policy. Remember how few people bothered about "Mein Kampf", in which Hitler told in open and brutal terms what he intended to do.

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So it's easy to take a look - and that, Max Eastman points out, is the thing to do if you want to gain some understanding of that ominous world puzzle - the international policy of Soviet Russia.

He proceeds to quote a basic statement that Stalin makes in "problems of Leninism". The statement is as follows: "It is inconceivable", Stalin writes, "that the Soviet Republic should continue to exist for a long period side by side with imperialist states; ~~at~~ ultimately one or the other must conquer". *Those are Stalin's words. And* ~~that~~ that does seem to tie in with current propaganda out of Moscow, denouncing the United States and Great Britain as capitalist and imperialist.

Likewise, it's in line with the traditional Soviet ideal <sup>A</sup> world communism.

We know how correctly Hitler's "Mein Kampf" revealed what Hitler intended to do. So, how far can we find Soviet intentions in "problems of Leninism" by Stalin?

## LONDON

We Americans are usually out in front of the British when it comes to snappy modern entertainment, but there's one form of high-jinx <sup>for</sup> ~~in~~ which staid old England displays a remarkable gift - the detective story, the mystery thriller. Well, after all, it's the land of Conan Doyle and Sherlock Holmes.

London right now is having a crime wave, and this gives British journalism a chance to apply detective story ideas to actual news <sup>and do it</sup> in a big way.

One headline crime is a jewel robbery in fashionable Mayfair, with crooks getting into the apartment of a nephew ~~xxxxxxx~~ of Field Marshal Viscount Alexander, the Governor General of Canada. They escaped with Fifteen Thousand Dollars worth of loot.

But the crime that produces the richest kind of detective story notions is the murder of a movie theatre manager whom the news dispatch calls "handsome Parrington Jackson". He was shot to death in his theatre in such fashion that something really

remarkable is suspected. The shots ~~xx~~ should have been heard, but were not, which leads to the surmise that they were timed with the ~~xx~~ sound of shots in a film on the screen at that moment. In other words, the killer, to hid<sup>e</sup><sub>^</sub> the sound, fired - just as a pistol was banging in the movie. I seem to have read a detective story in which that clever trick was used.

With that idea for a starter, London newspapers are providing rich embellishments in the slaying of "handsome" Parrington Jackson. Suspects in the case are being given the fanciest of ~~xx~~ murder mystery names. "The-man-with-the-puzzled-lips," "the-agitated-blonde," and "the-small-man-in-the-dusty-suit." The latest mentioned is - "the-man-with-the-long-slender-fingers."

Well, the British may be a bit stuffy in many ways, but they do have a flair for detective story twisters.



## LOS ANGELES

There was a wild scene in the downtown business district of Los Angeles today - when one businessman chased another business man down the street shooting at him and bringing him down with bullets. The victim is reported to be in serious condition in a hospital tonight.

The story is one of a feud between two merchants, David Klor has a jewelry store, and half a block down the street is Kenneth Temple's shoe store. The jewelry merchant says the shoe store proprietor made it a habit to go in to the jewelry store and make nasty remarks about the merchandise., saying the diamonds, pearls and rubies were no good and urging customers not to buy, which would certainly seem to be most unbusinesslike.

Klor relates that today Temple, as usual, walked in and made the usual remarks -- the jewelry was no good and anybody who bought any of it would be stuck. Then he went back to his shoe store. Whereupon Klor telephoned to him and made remonstrances -- a

hot old argument on the phone, as it would seem. After which the shoe merchant went back to the jewelry store, picked up a watch and walked out. Klor grabbed a gun and went after him. The shoe merchant, seeing the pistol, took it on the run -- the jewelry merchant chasing him and blazing away, while crowds of shoppers along the street ducked to safety.

Well, business is business -- but what kind of business was that?

And now Hugh what kind  
A business from you?