

Good Evening, Everybody:-

No doubt

~~I presume~~ you heard the President's address last night, ~~over this network. As usual it was brief and to the point.~~ One unheard of thing about it was that he asked for a half hour on the air and only took twenty minutes.

Well, the fruits of that speech are pouring into the White House. A telephone message from Washington informs me that the Executive Mansion, last night and all day today, was not only figuratively but literally flooded with messages congratulating the President, and assuring him of cooperation.

This morning the staff of the White House tried to make a count of these messages and got as far as five thousand.

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By that time so many more were pouring in from all parts of the country, from employers large and small, that the White House attaches had to give up the job.

To all this the President vouchsafed no public comment, but it is known that he was delighted with the reception given to his address, and with the pledges of collaboration.

Of all the messages received only one was made public.

That was from Governor Albert ⁺Richie of Maryland, ^{who} ~~he~~ declared the people of his state would unanimously do their part, ~~in promoting a campaign to increase the purchasing power of the nation by increasing wages and lowering working hours.~~

Several people called on the President to congratulate him in person and tell him how inspiring they considered his words over the air.

Newton D. Baker of Ohio, President Wilson's Secretary of War, ~~exit~~ was with Mr. Roosevelt in the White House when he spoke last night. Mr. Baker's comment was: "The speech will

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unify the ~~people~~ nation behind the President for industrial recovery as ^{would} nothing else ~~would~~ that I can imagine." And one visitor at the White House today was Senator Davis of Pennsylvania, our old friend Puddler Jim.

Later in the day the messages were ^{all} wrapped up and sent over to General Johnson, Administrator of NIRA. And I heard they almost needed an army truck to carry them. ~~all~~.

N.B.C.

ROOSEVELT

The purpose of Mr. Baker's visit to the White House ~~last~~
~~night~~ was to talk to the President about relief service. ~~Mr.~~ Newton D.
Baker, as you ~~may~~ know, is chairman of the 1933 Mobilization ~~for~~
Human Needs. With him was the Executive Director of the Community
Chest and Councils.

Well the President promised his hearty cooperation in
these activities and also promised to help do everything he could
to help raise the one hundred million dollars which will be needed
for community welfare funds this year.

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LONG

for Colliers

One of the visitors at the White House today was Senator Huey P. Long, the ~~well-known Kingfish of Louisiana~~. This visit was particularly interesting because of the situation regarding Federal patronage in the Kingfish's state. As you doubtless know, at any rate those of you who read those articles in Collier's know, there is the deuce to pay in Louisiana. The Kingfish has enemies aplenty and what they say about him and his goings on at home ~~are what~~ make vitriol seem like baby food.

There has been considerable speculation regarding the attitude of the Administration towards the squabble between the Kingfish and his enemies. The Kingfish's delegation was counted "in" at the Chicago Convention last year because that delegation was for Roosevelt.

On the other hand, ^{none} ~~not any~~ of Senator Long's friends ^{have} been appointed to any Federal job^s in Louisiana. When Mr. Long left the White House, he was asked whether he was satisfied with the patronage situation in his state. He replied "I will be satisfied whatever way matters go. I don't care what is done with patronage in my state." To that, another questioner asked "Will you be satisfied even if the Administration appoints your enemies?" And the Kingfish replied "That won't hurt me." NBC

SPAIN

News from Spain, by way of Paris, indicates that that uprising which had been planned, in what use^d to be King Alphonso's realm, was on a much larger scale than we thought. Frank Schoonmaker, *who is representing me as a Sun newsgatherer* ~~who has just arrived~~, in Europe cables me that the round-up by the secret police of the Spanish Government has landed no less than twelve hundred Communist, and Fascist, plotters in the cooler.

As the news gradually comes out it shows how exceedingly efficient the secret police of the young Spanish Republic must be. You may recall how effectively they nipped in the bud that Royalist conspiracy, *some months ago.* Well, the Fascist plot had been schedule to come to a head August 1st, for that day a huge uprising had been planned all over the Iberian Peninsula. But the Spanish political police obviously were hot on the job.

Schoonmaker.

BERLIN

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While this was going on in Spain things were happening in Germany. The Hitler Government let loose another intensive campaign against Communists. It seems to have been a pretty feverish affair. Hundreds of arrests were made. In Berlin and other cities police and Nazi storm troopers held up all vehicles. They searched people right and left, not only for weapons, but for unlawful literature.

A wireless message brings the information that as a result of this order transportation throughout Germany was practically at a standstill ^{today.} The report has it that the Railway system of the Fatherland ~~was~~ practically paralyzed, ~~all day,~~ because the search ^{is including} ~~comprises~~ not only vehicles on the streets, but all trains ^{as well.} ~~throughout the country.~~

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EXCHANGE

Coming over to this side of the

Atlantic:

The recent outbreak of gambling in stocks has already produced one important effect. The governing committee of the ~~Nat~~ New York Stock Exchange held a special meeting today after which they made an announcement. The New York Stock Exchange hereafter will be open two hours a day less than hitherto. The hours will be from eleven o'clock in the morning until two o'clock in the afternoon, instead of ten A. M. to three P. M. And, as a special precaution, the Exchange will be closed entirely next Saturday, July 29th.

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BALBO

(General Balbo with his noble black beard and his noble squadron and his admirably disciplined staff, are on their way once more, ^{on} the return lap of their historic voyage. They rose from the waters of Jamaica Bay, New York, about ten o'clock this morning. General Balbo himself was the first to take off, and inside of twenty-one minutes his entire armada was in the air.)

The first ^{leg was to} ~~stop will be~~ Shediac, New Brunswick. In two hours after they left New York they were flying over the Cape Cod Canal in Massachusetts where observers saw them ~~flying~~ in two V-shaped formations of twelve planes each. One of the pilots had trouble with his oil line, ~~while flying over Maine~~, and was obliged to glide down to the surface near Rockland, Maine, to make repairs, but he was soon on his way again.

Another Italian plane was forced down at St. John, ~~N.B.C.~~ New Brunswick, because of a short circuit, but that too was only a brief interruption to a successful ^{jaunt.} ~~flight~~

At five minutes to four this afternoon, Eastern Daylight Time, General Balbo and twenty-two of his armada landed

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at Shediac. ~~XXXXX~~ Thus they made the six hundred and fifty miles from New York in less than six hours. The other two planes joined the main body of the armada^a later on.
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POST

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F-iller

Plans are all completed for the official reception tomorrow of Wiley Post following his solo flight around the globe. But I have one correction to make. You may recall that I mentioned yesterday that Wiley was going to share honors with his plane, the famous Winnie Mae. Well, someone at the Floyd Bennett Airport made a joking remark yesterday, saying: "Go on, the Winnie Mae is too wide for Broadway." An ~~airman~~^{inspector} ~~spotted~~^{overhead} the remark and wondered if it was entirely a joke. So a couple of coppers dashed over to Broadway at its narrowest point with a tape measure. There they discovered the joke was no joke. The clearance on Broadway at one point is only thirty-seven feet and the Winnie Mae measures forty-one feet from ~~wing~~ tip to ~~wing~~ tip. So the office workers in downtown New York won't be able to throw any ticker tape over the Winnie Mae tomorrow.

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MUSSOLINI

The Fascist regime in Italy seems to have gone Puritan
— an order that was predicted, was definitely
with a vengeance. A new order [^]was [^]issued today. This indicates
that some of the big wigs of the Fascisti had become luxurious
and fashionable in their habits for the edict orders all officials
to quit wearing top hats. It also forbids them to ride in expensive
motor cars and ~~to~~ visit deluxe theaters and restaurants.

Good Fascisti in the future, by this order, will wear
black shirts and their means of getting from place to place will *be*
either ~~by~~ ^{by} motorcycles or ~~that good old trusty animal~~ Shank's pony.

Schoonmaker.

TROTZKY

Here's a bit of news from a one-time celebrity who has not been heard from in a long while. I mean Leon Trotzky, the once redoubtable head of the Soviet Red Army. Trotzky has landed in France. He arrived today in a special boat which put him ashore near Marseilles. The object of this trip is somewhat wrapped in mystery, but it is known that his destination is somewhere in Central France. Here's an interesting morsel; - Trotzky evidently intends to emulate Napoleon, that is, with reverse English. Of course, it is too late for Trotzky to be born in Corsica. But he is going to do the next best thing. He expects to spend the rest of his days there. That is, if the French Government consents.

SCHOONMAKER

WHEAT

There was an important meeting today in London on the exceedingly vital subject of wheat. It was a joint session of the exporters and importers.

The message I received reports that discussions are both long and heated, because there are serious differences of opinion between the exporters and the importers on several points. The boys are working hard trying to reach a final agreement by Thursday. That is, an agreement between the Big Four: Canada, the Argentine, Australia, and the U.S.A. But even if they come to terms, there is still the serious problem of Russia.

GRAIN

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In the meanwhile officials of Uncle Sam's Department of Agriculture finished up their conference with the people who represent various branches of the grain industry back here at home. The purpose, you will recall, of this conclave was to do something about ~~the~~ feverish fluctuations in the price of grain. Well, the representatives of the exchanges proposed four plans to the Department. One was a change in the rules of the Exchange so as to provide for a permanent limit on the extent to which the price of any grain can go up or down in one day. The second plan was a ~~x~~ restriction on the speculative commitments of speculators, that is, a restriction on the amount of gambling in ~~vital interests~~ ^{the necessities of life} that any one man can do. (Grain speculators may not think that's a polite way of describing their operations, but it seems to me that's what it amounts to.) The third suggestion of the Exchanges is a provision for adequate margin requirements. In other words, making grain gamblers put up bigger margins for their operations.

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And the fourth plan is the permanent abolishing of trading indemnities. My friend, Casey Holgate, of the Wall Street Journal, tells me that a grain indemnity is the same thing as a grain option. It represents the privilege to buy or sell a contract for grain at a certain price within a certain time.

For the time being the Exchanges propose that there shall be a daily limit of five cents on the fluctuations in the price of wheat, rye, and barley, four cents on grain, and three cents on oats.

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Casey Holgate.

CRIME

The old U.S.A. is becoming excited over the crime situation once more. These things seem to go in waves. For the greater part of the year we take our crime records in a perfectly matter of fact shrugging shoulders mood, and don't do much about it. Every now and then we get tremendously excited, campaigns are started all over the country, drives, as they call them, and when the excitement all dies down, crime goes on pretty much as before.

Just at present there's a great to do in the Middle West ^{about} ~~some~~ kidnapping and other matters. A gentleman whom the police describe as the leader of a big mob, is in the county jail in Milwaukee, with three of his hoodlums. One of these hoodlums goes by the picturesque name of Gloomy Gus Schafer. They were arrested by Uncle Sam's men on warrants charging them with violation of the Federal kidnapping statutes. You may recall that last month a rich young brewer of St. Paul was abducted and held for ransom. Well, this brewer identified the prisoners ~~in~~ the Milwaukee County Jail as the men who kidnapped him.

Then in Chicago the population has waked up to the fact that nine policemen have been killed this year. The ninth was the copper who was murdered in open court yesterday by a man who had confessed to being a bank robber.

~~A total of nine policemen killed inside of seven months is a record. The biggest open season for cops in Chicago was in 1928 when no less than thirteen were murdered.~~

Well, Frank Loesch, President of the Chicago Crime Commission, is making a serious issue out of this latest murder, ~~in open court~~. He demands the removal of the Sheriff of Cook County. Mr. Loesch says that the blame for the murder of that policeman rests on the shoulders of the Sheriff because he failed to make a proper search of prisoners going into court, and also violated the rule prohibiting visitors to the Cook County Jail. It turns out that the policeman was murdered with a gun which was smuggled to a prisoner by that prisoner's sister, who was paying him a visit in prison. Mr. Loesch ~~desires~~ declares

Waldorf

this is an indication of lax work in the Sheriff's office. ^H This excitement over crime will hardly fail to interest a group of visitors who recently landed on these shores from Europe. Those visitors are high police officials of various European cities, including Paris, Brussels, Bucharest, ~~Boumania~~, Rome, Edinborough, Warsaw, Berlin and Copenhagen. The purpose of their visit is to get together with American police chiefs in order to make plans for better cooperation between ^{coppers} ~~police heads~~ all over the world.

Incidentally, the Mayor of New York is giving a banquet to the visiting ^{slenths and police nabobs} ~~coppers~~ at the Waldorf Astoria tonight. Tomorrow they go West and their conference will take place in Chicago.

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DANCERS

for the
Hotel
New Yorker

Now for a bit of news which I am sure will gladden the heart of the President. News of a body of people who hitherto have not been heard from, but who now have pledged the government their wholehearted support in the recovery program. That body of people is the Dancing Masters of America, Incorporated. They are ~~now~~ in session at the Hotel New York ^{or,} ~~in New York,~~ and are at work framing a dancing master's code to comply with NIRA.

I understand the Code is not complete yet, but the President of the organization tells me that the dancing teachers are strong for President Roosevelt's ideas about shorter working hours. In fact, they are in favor of anything that would give the folks more time for dancing, especially ~~the~~ dancing lessons.

At any rate, the dancing masters of America are behind the President ^{one thousand strong} with all ten thousand toes.

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MOTH ENDING

"Moths are the least aggressive and assertive of insects," ~~say~~ ^{states} a London entomologist.

~~well,~~ An anonymous editor, ~~says~~ after taking a look at his summer trousers, ~~he~~ ^{sadly replies:-} "Yes, I can testify that moths are willing to take a back seat."

And that brings me to the ~~time~~ ^{moment} when it ^{is} up to me to take a back seat, and ~~make way for~~ ^{turn over the mike to} some one else, so

So Long Until Tomorrow.