

L.T.- SUNOCO - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1933

GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY:-

The strike epidemic is spreading. The most spectacular walk-out news of this variety comes today from the Illinois front.

(The Illinois National Guard is now mobilized at Harrisburg, Harrisburg, Illinois, four companies strong.

After they arrived in this mining section of Southern Illinois the Colonel in command reported that the crux of the disorder was that fifteen hundred strikers' pickets had been firing into Peabody Mine No. 43, a mine in which a hundred strike breakers were at work. Several of the strike breakers were seriously wounded during the night.)

As soon as the National Guard advanced along that front, the striking pickets were dispersed and the strike breakers who had been imprisoned in the mine were set free. Everything is quiet today, but the commanding officer of the National Guard reports he is keeping his men on the spot ready for whatever may happen next. It turned out that the people responsible for last night's trouble were members of what is called the "Progressive miners Union", a rebel organization that has seceded from the United Mine Workers of America.

~~Mine Workers of America.~~

Before the National Guard arrived on the scene, the strikers had cut all the power lines leading into the mine, had blown up a railroad bridge ~~xx~~ carrying a spur, and had fired on motor cars which ran through the picket lines.

Today Governor Horner of Illinois and ~~Gene~~ Donald Richberg, General Counsel of the National Recovery Act Administration, are in conference at Springfield with leaders of the Unions trying to bring about <sup>a</sup> peaceful settlement. ~~The place~~ where all this trouble occurred is closest to the ~~district~~ known as "Bloody Williamson" where so many sanguinary strike fights have occurred previously.

And here's more strike news, this from Detroit. The Automobile Manufacturing Companies have sent an ultimatum to the strikers in the Tool and Die Factories. These strikers have been warned that if they do not return to work by October 6th, they will be too late -- all relations between them and their former employers

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will be considered as permanently severed. Six Automobile manufacturing companies signed this ultimatum, together with the Fisher Body Company and thirty-nine members of the Tool and Die Manufacturers Association.

N.B.C.

DEBTS

The curtain went up today on another act in the international comedy known as "war debts." We learn from Washington that Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, one of John Bull's financial big guns and His Britannic Majesty's Ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsey, <sup>had</sup> ~~at~~ a conference with Uncle Sam's Under-Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Acheson. This was a preliminary meeting to chat about the scaling down of the debts that John Bull owes Uncle Sam. If those debts get scaled down much more, it will end with Uncle Sam owing John Bull the money.

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RELIEF

We heard a good deal about the proposed program for relief by the Federal Government this coming winter. ~~The Roosevelt's~~ Administration has made prodigious plans to help the needy. But here for the first time is some news about the payment of the bills for this program. Maybe this should be told in a whisper.

Whisper or no whisper, the dope is that there are going to be Federal taxes upon nearly every article of food and clothing that we need in order to finance <sup>what</sup> the Government <sup>intends to do.</sup> ~~is program~~.

This tax idea has a double object: First, as I have already mentioned, to finance the relief program. The second object is to raise the price of agricultural products, and tie it up with the farm adjustment act.

It is explained that this is a subterfuge to overcome the prejudice of some people against a sales tax. These relief taxes will be in effect a system of sales taxes on food and clothing.

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## INFLATION

(The ominous topic of inflation of the currency got back into the news today when the Democratic leader in the Senate, our old friend, Mr. Joe Robinson of Arkansas, ~~came here~~ from ~~a~~ ~~trip to~~ Europe. Senator Robinson expressed himself in a hostile fashion ~~about~~ <sup>about</sup> the currency inflation idea, at least ~~the~~ currency inflation as most people ~~think~~ <sup>think of</sup> it. Senator Robinson says: "The deliberate printing of money for inflationary purposes has always led to disaster." The Senator is in favor of a revaluation and stabilization of the dollar combined with prudent ~~x~~ readjustment of price levels so as to expand the purchasing power of us folks without weakening confidence in the country's finances.

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XIXXX ASIA

My colleague, Ellery Walter, has been making some more interesting observations in Asia. He writes me that <sup>what used to be</sup> Manchuria, ~~or Manchukuo, as it is now,~~ is progressing prodigiously as Manchukuo under Japanese protection. A phenomenal number of new construction projects are under weigh; ~~the~~ system of communications has been revitalized; telephone and telegraph services completely reorganized, and railroad work is being pushed ahead at a great rate.

Walter informs me further that the Japanese and Manchukuo troops have worked out a new system for fighting the bandits. Instead of sending a whole column after a troop of robbers which disperse and vanish into thin air as soon as the column arrives, the new idea is to establish small units of fighting men throughout the country. Together with this goes the policy of holding the head man of each village responsible for any bandits that may crop up in his district. <sup>If he doesn't keep down the bandits then off goes the headmans head.</sup> This system, says Ellery Walter, is proving most effective.

He ~~writes me too~~ <sup>tells me further</sup> that he no longer considers war between Japan and Soviet Russia as probable, ~~as it once looked~~. Diplomatically speaking, the atmosphere in that part of Asia is highly charged, due principally to raids by armed bands from Soviet territory into Manchukuo. Nevertheless, my correspondent has come to the conclusion that Japan~~x~~ does not want to fight, and the Soviet leaders in Moscow certainly are not going to start anything unless conditions become so disturbed that they have to hazard everything on war in the Far East.

~~Ellery~~  
Ellery Walter



BERLIN

The Hitler government of Germany took a further step today, a step which puts an end to all pretense that there is such a thing as freedom of the press in the Fatherland. The Nazi cabinet put into effect by edict a new press law. One feature of it is to make all editors compulsory members of one big central organization. From this not only Jewish editors are barred, but all editors who have Jewish wives. And the edict ~~defines~~ an editor as anybody working on a newspaper in any editorial or writing capacity whatsoever.

The edict is supplemented by another one, which bars all foreign publications hostile to the Hitlerite government from the German mails. In fact, it provides a death sentence for any ~~person~~ who brings in to the Fatherland any publication containing sentiments unfavorable to Chancellor Hitler, his government, his boys, his organization, his anything. *And that sounds sweeping.*

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WELLES

Oh, by the way, I have received a cable from four newspaper colleagues in Havana. They claim there is no truth to the report of dissension between Ambassador Sumner Welles and Uncle Sam's Consul General in Havana.

Even my old Chicago pal, Bob Casey, world-traveller war correspondent, canoneer and star feature man for the Chicago Daily news insists this is so, and I'd take his word for anything.

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## AIR PAGEANT

Forty-eight Army planes are scheduled to take off tomorrow from Langley Field, Virginia, bound for Roosevelt ~~Field~~ Field, Long Island. There they will take part in the National Charity Air Pageant to be held Saturday and Sunday. Al Williams, famous speed king will direct the events.

Jack O'Meara, glider pilot, will attempt to set a new loop record. He will be towed nineteen thousand feet in the air and then ~~put~~ loose.

~~Herb Hunter.~~

Tom Morgan.

President,  
Curtis Wright  
and Sperry  
Corporation.

Pres., Aeronautical  
Chamber of Commerce.

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INTRO TO TOM MORGAN

I've one of the big guns in the aviation world in the studio tonight, Tom Morgan, President of the great Curtiss Wright and Sperry Corporations; also President of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce. ~~He's been in aviation for some eighteen years.~~

Tom, I remember that four years ago, Europe was ahead of us in air transportation. Now, I understand, the tables have been reversed. We read almost daily that the United States leads the world in the aviation field. How come? How did we get that way?

Well, Lowell, the reason we have made such rapid progress in the past few years is that we have given air travelers speed, safety-reliability, and this year, in addition to speed, we have tried to give them comfort as well. However, we know that most people travel by air to save time. In 1903 the Wright Brothers flew at thirty miles an hour. During the World War, some fifteen years ago, the fastest planes flew at one hundred and fifty miles an hour. Today the world's speed record is four hundred and twenty-three miles an hour. That world's record, of course, was made by a special speed plane.

Now, to carry passengers the designer must consider comfort and a safe landing speed as well as high-top speeds. That is why racing planes are faster than our air line planes. However, we are making rapid progress in the speed of transport planes as well. Today passengers are flying at one hundred and sixty-five miles an hour, and within the next two months this will be increased to <sup>over</sup> ~~about~~ one hundred and eighty miles an hour.

These planes will make it possible to have dinner in New York and breakfast in Los Angeles, and in a few years, we believe, you will be able to attend a theater in New York, then leave the Atlantic coast around midnight, and be at your office in California the following morning.

There is only one real handicap to this development of speed. To make faster airplanes, we have to do a great deal of designing and testing, and that costs money. The economy wave in Washington, however, has cut air mail payments drastically. This undoubtedly will result in slower progress for aviation. On the other hand, Europe is going ahead regardless of cost. An indication of their progress is the fact that Italy now holds the world's speed record. Four hundred and twenty-three miles an hour!

That's sure going some!

PECORA

Here's a bit of live stuff about that New York Mayoralty election. It concerns Mr. Ferdinand Pecora who has been counsel to the Senate's Committee on Banking and Currency, The Committee which has been investigating Wall Street and the big bankers. Mr. Pecora has consented to become candidate for District Attorney of New York County on the Independent Democratic ticket, headed by Holy Joe McKee.

This becomes particularly interesting when you recall that Mr. Pecora was considered by some people as the logical candidate for District Attorney on the Tammany ticket in the last election. He was passed over by the Tammany wigwam in favor of the present incumbent, the aged Judge Cram, who has been ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ a target for numerous brickbats since he was elected.

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## MARRY

Do you remember Doctor Rogers of the faculty of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Prof who got so much publicity when in a purely facetious way he advised his class that the best way to get on was to marry the boss's daughter? If you do or if you don't, here's a Chicago Judge who has issued similar counsel to a class of students in stenography. This Judge, whose name is Casey, told the young stenogs that a good knowledge of shorthand and typing was useful, but that loyalty to the boss, good appearance, (don't snap your gum), and general efficiency were just as essential. Says Judge Casey: "Employers expect the same fine virtues in a stenographer that they do in their wives." My word!

But here's the rest of Judge Casey's advice. Says he: "Make it your aim to marry the boss. If you are successful you will probably find you have developed your finest characteristic." By which does he mean what?

## BARBERS

The entire male population of the State of California is in not only the state of California, but is in a state of high indignation. In fact, many of the male residents of the Golden State are thinking of joining the House of David. The reason? Barber shops out there have raised the price~~s~~ of <sup>a</sup>hair cut from fifty cents to sixty-five cents:- This, according to the new barber's code adopted under the Recovery Act. One consequence is that the local N.R.A. Administration is being flooded with protests. If N.R.A. can't do anything to help them, they say they will take Nazarite vows.

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CAESAR

Now for something to astonish historians, teachers of history, and their pupils. On the 27th of September, the driver of a motor car in San Francisco ran into Julius Caesar.

No, this is not a ghost story. The news became known today when Mr. Caesar, a resident of the Golden Gate, went to Police Headquarters, and told the authorities that he did not wish to prosecute the driver who ran over him. This sounds like uncaesarian conduct; but there it is. *Caesar is an honorable man!*

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## BASEBALL

Evidently the presence of the President at a ball game brings good luck to the Washington Senators. Joe Cronin's boys played the third game in the World Series on their home grounds today, with Mr. Roosevelt sitting right through the finish, the first President who has ever done so. And what do you suppose happened! Yes, those Washington boys not only won the game --- they shut the New York Giants out. The score was four to nothing, with Whitehill pitching for Washington, Red Fitzsimmons for New York. The Senators started off with a bang, getting two runs in the first. So now the tally of games stands -- Giants two, Washington one.

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BASEBALL ENDING

Oh yes, and Frank Graham in the New York Sun today recalls one of Walter Kelly's famous "Virginia Judge" stories. The Virginia Judge was wandering down the backwoods afternoon when he ran into a ballgame; between two teams of colored lads. Walter Kelly shouted out to the little fellow who was playing center field: "What's the score, my lad?" And the boy answered: "Nineteen to nothin', favor of them, suh."

At which Kelly exclaimed: "My word, you're being beaten badly, aren't you?" And the boy replied: "No suh-h-h-h. We ain't been to bat yet."

Well, I'm going to let that great colored team, Amos and Andy come to bat, while I mosey along and say, SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.

Graham - New York Sun.