

~~Good Evening, Everybody:~~

There's news of a varied kind from all parts of the world today. <sup>For instance</sup> ~~In the first place,~~ the High Court of the German Republic approved the seizure of the state of Prussia by the militarist Cabinet. When President von Hindenburg last week issued emergency decrees giving the Chancellor <sup>the</sup> ~~dictatorial~~ powers <sup>of a dictator,</sup> the Socialists tried to get an injunction <sup>to prevent it.</sup> ~~By~~ this decision of the court the reins of government are more firmly than ever in the hands of the Von Papen Cabinet.

There are conflicting reports from Germany about the state of political affairs and projects. According to a dispatch to the New York World Telegram, President von Hindenburg proposed <sup>S</sup> ~~to~~ end the military state of emergency in Berlin and the Province of Brandenburg tomorrow. But a dispatch to the New York Evening Post declares that the ideal of the Junker Cabinet is not a Fascist dictatorship, but a new constitution which would

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resemble the constitution of the United States. The aristocratic military clique now in control, believes the weakness of the present German government lies in the fact that the executive depends on the legislature. What the soldiers want is a constitution in which the executive, the parliament, and the judiciary would be separate and independent *as in the U. S. A.*

This is going to be a nervous week in Germany anyway.

It will be ended by the general elections on July 31st. Adolf Hitler <sup>*expects*</sup> ~~believes~~ those elections <sup>*to*</sup> ~~will~~ place the power in the hands of his storm troops. And it is believed the rule of the Handsome Adolf's men will be more reigorous than that of the Von Papen Cabinet.

The decision of the German Supreme Court confirming the militarist seizure of Prussia, was greeted with loud cheers by all those of royalist inclination. Prince August Wilhelm, the fourth son of the ex-Kaiser, made an open prophecy that his father would soon return to Germany. Others believe that a third empire is

within sight. Prince August Wilhelm is an ardent supporter of the Handsome Adolf.

The Hitlerites are proclaiming the rule of the soldiers as the first step of Germany's liberation. "For thirteen years, declares the ex-Kaiser's son, "Germany has been smothered under foreign influence."

"Boys are now playing soldiers in every Prussian village", the Prince added. TP So,

The Prussian iron fist has again been raised, and her enemies will soon be scattered. That, ~~of course,~~ is the <sup>way the</sup> extremists and militarists' <sup>are talking in Germany,</sup> ~~way of putting things~~.

Apropos of this, a member of the Hohenzollern family arrived in America today. <sup>He is the 20 year old</sup> ~~This is~~ Prince Frederick, ~~the twenty~~ ~~year old son,~~ the fourth son of the former Crown Prince of Germany. He is here just for sightseeing purposes. At least so he says. His elder brother has been working for sometime in Detroit, ~~He~~ ~~is~~ learning how to make automobiles in a big Detroit factory.

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*And tonight*  
~~At the same time~~

there comes the news that Germany has decided to join the Anglo-French agreement. This agreement binds all parties to consult each other before taking any steps that will affect European affairs.

A dispatch to the ~~the~~ New York Sun points out that this was done after Italy and Belgium had already announced their adherence to this agreement. It is evident that the von Papen Cabinet is determined to avoid the diplomatic isolation of Germany.

RUSSIA

From Russia comes the announcement of a second Five Year Plan. A dispatch to the Indianapolis Times informs us that this calls for expenditures of seventy-five billion dollars, <sup>— 75 billion.</sup> This money will be spent for industrial improvements, agriculture and transportation.

It is pointed out that <sup>it</sup> ~~this~~ would bring some ~~also~~ real profit for American~~s~~ business if credit and trade arrangements~~x~~ could be developed *between Uncle Sam and the Russian Bear.*

The outlay of money proposed under this~~x~~ scheme is almost three times that under the first Five Year plan. The project contemplates the buying of enormous quantities of materials and machinery from other countries.

In the last few months the Soviet Government has been cutting down purchases from the United States quite considerably. Germany and Great Britain have been getting the business instead of us. There are commercial agreements between Russia and those countries. *Canada stands in line to get her share of the Russian business.*

POLAND

(Oh, yes, and a  
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A treaty of non-aggression between Soviet Russia and Poland was signed today. This protects Poland's eastern border from Russia.) It also enables Warsaw to devote more attention to the uneasy condition of the German border on the West. The agreement similarly provides for a settlement of any future disputes between the two nations.

They tried to get Roumania to join, but Roumania said nothing doing.

JAPAN

*on the other hand,*  
~~Then~~ From Asia <sup>^</sup> comes ~~the~~ <sup>^</sup> dispatch <sup>^</sup> that Japan is preparing to *telling us*  
break away from the League of Nations. ~~A special dispatch to~~

The New York Sun reports that the appointment of a new member to the Japanese delegation to Geneva indicates this withdrawal by the Mikado's empire. This new member is a Mr. Matsuoka.

He has long been saying in public and private that Japan should have nothing to do with the League. Mr. Matsuoka is a member of the Lower House of the Japanese parliament. He's had several official positions including one at Washington.

Political observers point out that it would be a severe blow to the League of Nations to lose at this juncture such an important member as Japan.

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Well, I filled up my car with that two-fisted gas and came in from the farm today, to find quite a bit of excitement in New York. Excitement that makes rather good news for the first item of the week. (The Stock Exchange turned optimistic.

About a million and a half shares were sold. Many of them jumped as much as three points. In fact, the rise wiped out the

losses of June and July.) Petroleum shares again headed the

procession. The week-end news concerning the agreement among

the leading oil producers of the world, ~~has~~ <sup>these</sup> brought encouraging

results. The upward trend of oil shares was contagious and spread through the list.

The rise of stocks was duplicated in the bond market where there was heavy buying.

A dispatch to the Baltimore Post records a cheerful tone in all week-end reviews of business and finance. This information comes from Government agencies and from the American



Federation of Labor.

( Uncle Sam's Department of Commerce reported a sharp reduction in business failures for the week-end of July 16th. Commodity prices also continued to rise.) There likewise is a respectable increase in the number of new building contracts for the first half of July.

Another report of the Department of Commerce shows that electric power was supplied to 90,800 more farms last year, in spite of conditions. The number of farms using electricity is now in the neighborhood of one million throughout the United States.

From New England comes the news that more than 15,000 men who have been idle for a long time have now been recalled to their jobs or given new jobs. This feeling of encouragement is most noticeable in the important textile and shoe industries. It is also extending to others.

And talking about labor, Uncle Sam's Department of Labor has adopted the five day week. This was announced by Secretary Doak today. No employee of the Department of Labor will

work for the next forty-eight Saturdays, except higher officials and a few of the office staff.

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I saw a spectacular sight from the tower of the Empire State building today -- a vessel burst into flames -- the forty-five foot boat belonging to a theatrical producer, called the Follow-Through -- the boat in which Buddy Roger of Hollywood brought Mary Pickford of Hollywood and Toronto, to New York. The craft burned to the water's edge.

BONUS

(The Bonus boys in Washington got into real trouble today. There was a clash with the police, and it ended with nine leaders of the Bonus army, <sup>being placed</sup> under arrest.)

One of them, running away from the cops, climbed into the top of a tree on Pennsylvania Avenue. It took two detectives and three patrolmen to get him down.

(The demonstration was started by what is known as the left wing of the Bonus Army, the Communists.) They undertook to picket the White House and the Treasury. The police ordered them away, and when they wouldn't go voluntarily, <sup>the coppers</sup> started to pull the boys in. The gates of the White House and of the Treasury Department were hurriedly closed. The police were not as patient today as they have been. Tempers are becoming worn in Washington. *The weather is a bit hot anyhow.*

## MURDER

Five policemen of Nassau County, L.I., were indicted today by the Grand Jury, charged with manslaughter in the first degree. One of these five is deputy chief of the Nassau County police. Another is a lieutenant. Three others are detectives. These men are charged with having beaten to death a prisoner whom they had arrested. Six other detectives and one patrolman are indicted for second degree assault committed on prisoners. One other patrolman was indicted as having played a part.

When the men were arraigned, they pleaded not guilty, but showed no surprise. The manslaughter indictments charged these five men with having beaten a prisoner with blackjacks, clubs and rubber hose.

A story in the New York World Telegram says that the accused Deputy Chief of Police was joking cheerfully during the proceedings.

Meanwhile, a Grand Jury in Alexandria Bay, N.Y., is investigating the violent activities of Federal agents in that

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town. Prominent citizens of Alexandria Bay complain that Uncle Sam's boys, while making a prohibition raid, used irregular and destructive methods, including assault.

Another prohibition agent is charged with having knocked down two citizens while driving away from the scene of the raid.

DOOLITTLE

Major Jimmie Doolittle and Miss Anne Madison Washington, <sup>grand, grand,</sup> ~~great-great~~ grand-niece of George, the father of his country, are making their historic flight. In Jimmie Doolittle's plane they are flying over Valley Forge, the Delaware River, the Maine seacoast, all the places covered by General Washington in his various travels and military campaigns.

Jimmie Doolittle and Miss Washington ~~started~~ left Kittery, Maine, <sup>early</sup> ~~at five o'clock~~ this morning. They had intended to take off from there, but as there is no concrete runway at Kittery, they had to start from Boston and just cruise over Kittery without landing.

It would have taken George Washington four years of constant traveling to cover this route in his own time. The journey of Jimmie Doolittle and Miss Washington over the same places began at five this morning, <sup>They are supposed to land</sup> ~~and it is expected to end~~ at Newark, New Jersey, at nine o'clock tonight.

Miss Washington declared it <sup>to be</sup> the most exciting day <sup>at</sup> in her life. Their average speed ~~was~~ 200 miles<sup>an</sup> hour. Their flight <sup>at</sup> will have covered fourteen states. <sup>Right at this moment they are doing</sup> 200 flat — or maybe more if they have a tail wind.

BASEBALL

Baseball fans of the American League in Cleveland, Philadelphia, and Washington, are not so happy today. For weeks the fans in those towns have been eagerly watching the sporting pages of the papers hoping for a slump to overtake the Yankees. When Babe Ruth hurt his leg and was out of the game, the hopes of Cleveland, Philadelphia, and Washington, rose high.

But today there's no balm in Gilead ~~in those~~<sup>for</sup> those three cities. Joe McCarty's Yanks went out and slaughtered the champion Philadelphia Athletics yesterday. This in spite of the fact that three of Joe's best players were sitting on the sidelines just watching the game. In addition to Babe Ruth with his injured leg, there was Catcher Bill Dickey, the right fisted swinger who is still suspended, and Earl Coombs with a lame shoulder.

So the Yankees started today on a tour of the West with a lead of ~~full~~<sup>full</sup> ten games. And a team ~~with~~ that has a lead of ten games this late in July, is pretty hard to topple off its throne. ( It seems as though the only close fight in the American

League will be for second place. There it's a pretty tough contest between Cleveland, Philadelphia, and Washington.

In the National League, on the other hand, the <sup>struggle</sup> ~~contest~~ is much hotter. Pittsburgh <sup>which</sup> leads the <sup>league</sup> ~~Cubs~~ by four and a half games. ~~The Cubs lead the~~ <sup>are second;</sup> The Chicago Cubs <sup>lead</sup> the Boston <sup>Braves</sup> ~~Braves~~ <sup>third, only two games behind;</sup> ~~by two full games.~~ And the Phillies are only two games behind Boston.



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JUDGE

The brotherly city of Philadelphia is being unusually interested in one of its judges. This judge announced today that men who steal to feed their families will receive no punishment in his court.

"If a man is brought before me on a charge of theft", said the Judge, "I will not sentence him to jail if it is proved that he stole to feed his family." Such prisoners instead will be put on probation.

*Yes, Philadelphia is still the city of Brotherly Love.*

WELL

An Italian gentleman in Pavia saved his own life today with considerable presence of mind. The gentleman, whose name is too long for me to repeat here, runs a country store near Pavia. This morning he accidentally upset a can of kerosene. The kerosene exploded and his clothing caught fire. Instead of running around in a panic, he went over to the well which was in his front yard, tied a rope around his waist, and lowered himself into the water. Whereupon he went out like a torch.

And that's what it's time for me to do -- and  
SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.