

Good Evening, Everybody:-

1 They're having a flood or two down
2 in the Canal Zone. It's been raining in
3 Panama, although rain is a mighty feeble
4 word to describe the way the Heavens
5 opened and the water^s poured out of the
6 sky.

7 Hundreds of people along the
8 Chagres River were driven out of their
9 homes today. The tropical downpour
10 started at 8 o'clock last night. It
11 rained all night; a deluge. And today it
12 rained all day without a let-up.

13 The Chagres River began to spill
14 over its banks. It flooded fields and
15 houses. Natives living in the Chagres
16 Valley have been abandoning their homes
17 and running away to the hill-tops.

18 The International News Service reports
19 that the water poured into ~~the~~
20 Gatun Lake at such a rate that it
21 threatened possible trouble for the
22 Panama Canal. Nine spillway gates were
23 opened to let the water out and relieve
24 the pressure on the Gatun Dam. If the
25 flood waters should happen to break

1 that dam, why that would be a disaster.
2 At last reports it was still raining,
3 a deluge from the sky.

4 For the first time in history the
5 Panama Canal was tied up today. The
6 storm and rain, with a 50-mile wind,
7 was too severe for operations to continue.
8 Two ships are being held up until the
9 tempest abates.

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1 I can't tell you much on the next
2 subject that comes along. I can't tell
3 you anything, in fact, about what
4 caused that explosion the other day
5 aboard the U.S.S. Colorado.

6 An anti-aircraft gun was being fired
7 when there was an explosion on deck. It
8 cost the lives of five men.

9 A Board of Inquiry has been looking
10 into the causes of the accident. It made
11 a report today, telling just how the
12 mishap took place. What does the report
13 say? Well, that's being kept a mystery.

14 The Associated Press explains that
15 the mechanism of the anti-aircraft gun
16 is a technical secret of the United
17 States Navy. A report on the causes of
18 the accident might reveal a hint that
19 would give the secret away. And so the
20 findings of the Board of Inquiry were
21 transmitted to Washington under a seal
22 and may never be given out to the
23 public.

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1 The hand of Fate has once more
2 played its part in that tangled
3 Congressional situation at Washington.
4 ~~There is an especially dramatic turn to~~
5 ~~the death of Senator Caraway of Arkansas.~~

6 (The election last fall left the
7 Republicans in the Senate with a
8 majority of one. Then Senator Morrow,
9 Republican of New Jersey, died, and that
10 made it a tie.

11 And now comes the passing of
12 Senator Caraway, ~~the~~^{the} fighting Democratic
13 leader. ^{And} That restores the Republican
14 majority of one.)

15 It leaves two seats in the Senate
16 vacant. Senator Morrow's place will be
17 taken by another Republican. New Jersey
18 has just elected a Democratic Governor by
19 a huge vote, but the retiring Governor,
20 who is a Republican, will appoint a
21 successor to Senator Morrow -- and he
22 will appoint a Republican.

23 Well, who will the Governor of
24 Arkansas appoint to fill Senator Caraway's
25 place? A Democrat? ~~say you?~~ No, not at

1 all. The Governor of Arkansas will not
2 appoint anybody. A special election
3 will have to be held to choose a man to
4 take Senator Caraway's place. The
5 election cannot take place before the
6 first of the year, which means that
7 Senator Caraway's seat will remain vacant
8 while the Senate is being organized in
9 the early part of December.

10 The irony is that had Senator
11 Caraway lived two days more the Governor
12 of Arkansas would have named a Democrat
13 to succeed him. This curious time
14 element comes about through a
15 peculiarity in the Arkansas law relating
16 to elections.

17 The Associated Press points out that
18 one result of the odd situation is that
19 when the Senate convenes early in
20 December the Republicans will have a
21 majority of two -- that is, unless the
22 Grim Reaper takes a hand once again in
23 the confused political situation at
24 Washington.
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1 Any of us Americans whose brain^s may
2 be a little perplexed by the cross-word
3 puzzle complexities of politics and who,
4 on election day, get all tangled up in a
5 maze of candidates, political
6 affiliations, referendums and amendments
7 -- well, those of us who are bewildered
8 may sigh with envy as we come to the
9 subject of an election in Jugo-Slavia.

10 The New York Evening Post relates
11 that ~~the~~^{an} amazing election will be held
12 tomorrow. The voters won't have any
13 difficulty in deciding for whom to
14 vote. There will be only one ticket
15 in the field. You can't go wrong. Only
16 one candidate will be running for each
17 office, and you just ~~simply~~ vote for
18 him. You can't vote for anybody else.
19 Yes, that makes it simple.

20 The explanation is that the
21 government has put so many restrictions
22 on the activities of the opposition
23 parties that these have just thrown up
24 their hands and said, "What's the use!"
25 ~~A~~ They couldn't carry on any kind of

1 political campaign, and so they
2 decided not to put up any candidates.

3 ~~so~~ That leaves only the government
4 ticket in the field, all by its lonesome.
5 ~~self~~.

6 Now just in case you're under any
7 misapprehension, let's take up another
8 point. You may say that a citizen of
9 Jugo-Slavia might be undecided whether to
10 vote or not. He may be a little bit
11 perplexed as to whether he should go to
12 the polls or stay at home. No, not at
13 all. The Jugo-Slavs are certainly a
14 lucky people. They have a government
15 which saves them from all kinds of bother.
16 The Jugo-Slav voter won't be a ~~little~~ bit
17 perplexed about whether to vote or not.
18 He'll either vote or go to jail, and
19 since he doesn't want to go to jail, he'll
20 vote.

21 They have an election law in Jugo-
22 Slavia which specifies that every adult
23 Jugo-Slav must vote or incur the penalty
24 of the law.

25 ~~And just to save ourselves any~~

And they don't have to hold any Literary Digest poll to find out who is going to win their election tomorrow. It will be a real landslide, the kind to make the heart of any politician gay and glad. In fact, it will be unanimous.

JAPAN

Today at Geneva, Japan informed the League of Nations that she would not withdraw her troops from Manchuria at once. There ~~xx~~ were the usual protestations of peace and goodwill. But the answer was definitely "no." The International News Service reports that the Japanese demand that the Chinese military authorities now in command in Manchuria must get out. The Japanese declare they will not withdraw their troops until those Chinese generals turn over their armies to other commanders, - commanders who meet with the approval of Japan.

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2 sent a note to the League of Nations.
3 "GENTLEMEN", declared the Soviets, "THE
4 INFORMATION WHICH WE HAVE GIVEN YOU IS
5 TO BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND IS
6 NOT FOR PUBLICATION".

7 The information in question concerns
8 the military establishment of Bolshevich
9 Russia. The League of Nations has
10 received from various countries lists
11 of their armies and navies, fighting
12 airplanes, guns and munitions.

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23 The United Press makes the comment
24 that the Red Army is supposed to number
25 624,000 men in actual service and

1 a four and a half million in reserve.
2 Recently the Red rulers at Moscow have
3 been concentrating on an air force.
4 They have a considerable number of planes
5 and 15,000 trained men *in their air corps.*

6 But all these figures are merely
7 estimates. The actual facts are in the
8 possession of the League of Nations and
9 apparently are not to be made public.

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story about
sheep men in
the West

I suppose the theme song for this next bit of news should be "Baa, Baa, Black Sheep, Have You Any Wool?" That familiar ditty might be sung in a resounding chorus at a big dinner held in New York tonight. It is a gathering of the Wool Kings of the country. They are here to launch Wool Week, which begins on Monday. Wool Week is sponsored by the National Wool marketing Corporation, and the idea is to stimulate interest in wool as a material.

Well, it's a grand occasion when the Wool Kings get together for a banquet. I suppose you might call it a wild and woolly event. Among the speakers are Lord Barnby, a big sheep and wool man from London, Secretary-of-Agriculture Hyde, James E. Stone, Chairman of the Farm Board, Congresswoman Elizabeth Norse Rodgers, from Massachusetts; and Jimmy Walker, New York's

1 merry mayor. It would be fun to hear
2 Jimmy Walker sing "Baa, Baa, Black Sheep,
3 Have You Any Wool?"

4 The subject of wool is a romantic
5 one. I myself have wandered quite a bit
6 among the shepard countries of the earth,
7 in Palestine, and Arabia, the Sudan,
8 Afghanistan, and the backblocks of
9 Australia, But I ~~don't~~ feel as though I
10 dare^{not} say a word on the subject, because
11 I have here with me a man who knows just
12 about all there is to be known about wool
13 and sheep and shepherds in the odd
14 corners of the world. There are three
15 brothers, Draper by name, whose business
16 it is to wander all over the world buying
17 wool. One year they bought up the entire
18 wool production of Turkey.

19 The chap who is here with me now is
20 Joseph P. Draper, and what he doesn't
21 know about wool, his two brothers^{Paul & Jim} do.
22 ~~JOE~~ Draper has been telling me how in
23 wandering through the Balkan States he
24 has come across small flocks of hairy
25 sheep, each attended by a lone shepherd,

1 a shepherd clad in a coarse, ~~and~~
2 hand-woven cape from crown to ankles, his
3 feet bound in ragged bandages.

4 And then Mr. Draper pointed out the
5 state of the modern industry in this
6 country, with its up-to-date methods, and
7 its expertness in turning out the finest
8 kind of woolen fabrics.

9 Yes, it's a far cry from the old-
10 world shepherd who tended his flock and
11 watched the stars, to our modern
12 American wool production. Isn't that so,

13 ~~Mr. Draper?~~ Joe ?

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1 Yes, you are right, Lowell. It is
2 far cry, all right. But don't let's
3 forget that some of the wildest and
4 wooliest events in the history of wool ~~was~~
5 were to be found right here in our own
6 country. I mean the old days when sheep
7 raising was first introduced into the
8 broad spaces of the West.

9 The cattle men didn't like it. They
10 claimed that the sheep ruined the ~~the~~
11 grazing lands for their cattle. They
12 said that the cattle wouldn't feed on
13 ground where sheep had grazed before.
14 And there was war between the cattle
15 men and the sheep men, a bitter feud.

16 ~~No, it wasn't a war of words. They~~
17 ~~didn't argue with words in the old West.~~
18 ~~They said it with six-shooters. There~~
19 ~~was plenty of fighting and bloodshed in~~
20 ~~those old days.~~ It went so far that the
21 cattle men put a bounty on the head of
22 sheep men. They paid a reward to anyone
23 who killed a sheep man and ^{outlaw} gangs used
24 *go round doing the job and getting the money.*
to ~~go around earning those bounties.~~

25 Out in Colorado today there's a

well-known wool grower one of the prominent citizens of the State who still bears a scar across his face. He is an Englishman. That is, he came to this country a young man straight from England. He went West, a tenderfoot -- an English tenderfoot, which is the last word. He went to work on a sheep ~~XXXX~~ ranch.

One day he was riding along when a gang of men on horses centered up. He didn't know it but they were an outfit who were gunning for sheep men, trying to earn those bounties. One of them drew a pistol and fired. The bullet cut a gash across the young Englishman's cheek. That just aroused his English ire. You know how mad an Englishman can get some times. He pulled his gun and blazed away.

I don't suppose he could shoot any too straight. He didn't have a chance. But the leader of the gang of killers called his men to STOP. "That young fellow has got grit", the leader shouted. "He's got a bit of salt in him. And the next man that fires will have to settle with me."

And with that the gang of killers turned their

horses and galloped off leaving the young Englishman astonished that he was still alive.

A couple of days later they caught the leader of that gang and he was promptly strung up.

Those were the old days, not so long ago in fact, but quite different from the present where through generations of experience and plenty of agricultural college training have built up a race of young sheep men to be truly proud of.

Well, I guess that's enough about wool, so let's see what Lowell Thomas has for us next. How about it, Lowell?

FOOTBALL

I suppose you have already heard about the big football games, how Harvard defeated Dartmouth 7 to 6, Georgia licked New York University 7 to 6, how Notre Dame trined the University of Penna. 49 to 0, how Ohio State won from Navy 20 to 0, and so on. But here comes the sound of singing, loud, lusty singing. They are football songs bawled out by the roaring throats of 150 students. Songs celebrating the prowess of Carnegie Tech. Where is the singing going on? In the football stadium? On the campus? No, not at all. The football songs of Carnegie Tech were sung today in jail. And then there was a flood, with water pouring in.

They had their usual annual riot on the Carnegie Tech campus at Pittsburgh last night. (There were huge bonfires in the Oakland residential district. The firemen tried to extinguish various and sundry blazes. The students descended upon the firemen and put them to rout.) Then the police came up and put the students to rout. But only after a hard fight. The cops were met with a barrage of sticks and stones and milk bottles.

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One policeman, reports the Associated Press, was taken to the hospital. But finally the cops won out and the patrol wagons got busy. 150 over-enthusiastic Carnegie Tech men were taken, shouting and singing, to jail. They were herded into the police station and they just kept on singing. One husky vocalist varied his activities by breaking a waterpipe. And that flooded the whole place. The patrol wagons were rushed into action again and the mob was transferred to another police station, where presumably they didn't get a chance to break any waterpipes. And so the Carnegie Tech team went into action against the University of Pittsburgh this afternoon with one noisy faction of its cheering section behind the bars in a Pittsburgh hoos-gow. Perhaps their team needed them. At any rate I'll just conclude with a sour note, that Carnegie Tech lost the game - and,

SO LONG UNTIL MONDAY.