

Good Evening, Everybody:-

1 I don't know how many American girls  
2 expect to sit on <sup>a</sup>~~the~~ throne in the  
3 romantic land of India, but here's a bit  
4 of news that may be important to any  
5 lady who aspires to become a Maharanee.  
6 A distinguished visitor to this country  
7 right now is Her Royal Highness the  
8 Maharanee of Indore. She's now in  
9 Seattle, <sup>saying "hello" to the home folks. She of course is</sup> ~~she is~~ the former Nancy Ann  
10 Miller, <sup>the</sup> ~~an~~ American girl who a year or  
11 so ago astonished the world by becoming  
12 the wife of the former Maharajah of  
13 Indore. This particular Maharajah was  
14 the ruler of a fabulously rich  
15 principality, but he lost his throne on  
16 account of a fantastic affair. A  
17 dancing girl, who had been a member of  
18 the Maharajah's entourage, was killed by  
19 retainers of the Court of Indore.

20 Well, when the former Nancy Ann <sup>Miller</sup> ~~Miller~~  
21 arrived in America it was noted that on  
22 her forehead she had a tiny red circle <sup>culardot.</sup>  
23 That's a caste mark. Maharanee Nancy has  
24 become a Hindu. She has been admitted to  
25 her husband's religion and cast, and the

1 caste mark tells of her high rank.

2 Some people thought that the tiny  
3 red ~~circle~~<sup>disk</sup> might be tattooed. And so the  
4 question arose -- Does an American girl  
5 who becomes a Princess of ~~Indore~~<sup>India</sup> have to  
6 have a red ~~circle~~<sup>dot</sup> tattooed on her fore-  
7 head?

8 But Maharanee Nancy answers NO.  
9 She says the red ~~circle~~<sup>spot</sup> isn't tattooed at  
10 all. It's just red powder. Every morning  
11 she puts the caste mark on her forehead,  
12 ~~outlines the circle with red powder.~~  
13 after the ancient manner of the exalted  
14 ones of Hindustan.



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1 change is needed in the government of the  
2 metropolis, and some believe there will  
3 be an attempt to establish the city-  
4 manager system in New York.

5 (Meanwhile, a counter-attack has  
6 <sup>we are hearing about that tonight.</sup> already begun.) Charles F. Kerrigan,  
7 assistant to Mayor Walker, comes out with  
8 a denunciation of the Seabury Report. In <sup>it</sup>  
9 ~~which~~ he declares that the investigation  
10 merely concerns itself with the affairs  
11 of ~~a few~~ individuals. All it did was to  
12 examine the conduct of a few persons.)  
13 Mr. Kerrigan declares that the findings  
14 of the investigation have no bearing on  
15 the city administration, as a whole.

16 The New York Evening Post quotes a  
17 letter written by the Mayor's assistant  
18 in which he twits the investigating  
19 Committee for not having called Mayor  
20 Walker to the stand to testify. He  
21 declares that the Committee didn't have  
22 the courage to put Jimmy Walker on the  
23 witness stand and let him answer the  
24 charges. ~~against him.~~ <sup>Seabury</sup>

25 Along with the <sup>Seabury</sup> report of the

1 investigating committee came a  
2 dissenting <sup>voice from that same body.</sup> ~~report~~ ^ It was a minority  
3 report given out by X Assemblyman  
4 Louis A. Cuvillier, who is one of the  
5 Democratic members of the committee.  
6 This dissenting minority report  
7 denounces the findings of the  
8 investigation. It declares that all  
9 the investigation has done has been to  
10 besmirch the character of 130,000  
11 city employees by innuendos.



1 President Hoover today named two  
2 Southerners, <sup>2 Southern Democrats,</sup> as members of the Board that  
3 will direct the two-billion dollar  
4 corporation for the improvement of ~~the~~  
5 business. One is Henry C. Couch of  
6 Arkansas, and the other is Jesse H.  
7 Jones, of Texas. <sup>P</sup> Three Democrats are  
8 scheduled to be on the Board of  
9 Directors of that Re-construction Finance  
10 Corporation. ~~The~~ third will soon be  
11 chosen.

12 The Associated Press <sup>states</sup> ~~wires~~ that the  
13 Senate is getting ready to appropriate  
14 half a million dollars, the amount  
15 necessary at once to get the re-  
16 construction corporation into action.

17 Secretary-of-the-Treasury Mellon  
18 today asked the country to subscribe to a  
19 350 million dollar loan. The Associated  
20 Press explains that this is also part of  
21 the ~~financing~~ financing which is necessary to  
22 start the corporation on its business-  
23 boosting career.  
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1                   In the House of Representatives  
2 the Naval Committee today approved of  
3 the Vinson Naval Construction Bill, but  
4 postponed action on the bill indefinitely.

5                   The Associated Press explains  
6 that Representative Vinson wants the  
7 United States Navy to be built up to the  
8 full strength allowed by the Naval  
9 treaties. The bill introduced provided  
10 for <sup>large</sup> ~~an~~ expenditures <sup>with which to</sup> ~~of over \$600,000 for~~  
11 build ~~ing~~ warships. But now that seems to  
12 be side-tracked.

13                   The House Naval Committee  
14 approved of the idea <sup>today</sup> but postponed action.  
15 ~~on it.~~



1 Here's something I suppose most of  
2 us have seen: A railway train, and the  
3 fireman on the coal tender with a hose.  
4 He is sprinkling water on the coal, giving  
5 it a good wetting. <sup>P</sup> Now why should the  
6 fireman sprinkle water on the coal? I'll  
7 bet that's a question many of us have  
8 asked. I imagine some of us have thought  
9 he was wetting the coal to keep it from  
10 catching ~~on~~ fire. I myself thought he  
11 did it to keep down the dust, so that  
12 he wouldn't get his lungs full of  
13 pulverized coal when he was stoking the  
14 fire. But that's all wrong, says the  
15 new Literary Digest -- altogether wrong.

16 An article in the January 23rd number  
17 of the ~~Literary~~ Digest takes up the  
18 subject of why a <sup>locomotive</sup> fireman sprinkles water  
19 on ~~the~~ coal. No, it doesn't improve the  
20 heating power of the <sup>fuel</sup> ~~coal~~. On the  
21 contrary, the water makes the coal give  
22 less heat. The reason is quite different.

23 The Literary Digest quotes Science  
24 and Industry as saying that wet coal  
25 makes a better combustion-bed than dry

1 coal. The fuel holds together better,  
2 particularly when fine coal is used.

3 But just the same, don't think that  
4 all you have to do is ~~to~~ <sup>throw</sup> ~~put~~ water on  
5 the coal ~~and you~~ <sup>to</sup> get a good fire-bed.  
6 You've got to know what kind of coal needs  
7 moistening, <sup>just</sup> how much moistening it  
8 needs, and so on. The Literary Digest  
9 article gives ~~us~~ these facts, ~~as~~, for  
10 example, <sup>here's one</sup> ~~the~~ detail: ~~that~~ when coal is  
11 moistened, hot water should be used; ~~and so on.~~

12 ~~And so, going back to that picture~~  
13 ~~of the locomotive fireman moistening~~  
14 ~~the coal in the tender, you'll observe~~  
15 ~~that he is using hot water.~~



1 In the Central American republic  
2 of Salvador martial law is in force  
3 tonight. The Army today took control  
4 of the republic as a result of what the  
5 government calls a Communist uprising.  
6 The authorities claim that hordes of Red  
7 radicals have caused disturbances in  
8 several towns in the interior.

9 The Associated Press reports a  
10 number of clashes between soldiers and  
11 revolutionaries. In the town of  
12 Sonsonate the troops of the government  
13 were strongly resisted by a force of  
14 revolutionaries. The soldiers opened  
15 fire, and there was a general scramble. *Last*  
16 *reports tell of a thousand casualties.*  
17 The government of the republic of  
18 Salvador is no old and established regime.  
19 It went into power only two months ago as  
20 a result of a revolution.

21 Enemies of the present <sup>crowd in power</sup> ~~regime~~ say  
22 that the talk of Communists is all  
23 nonsense. They declare that there are  
24 not enough Red radicals in Salvador to  
25 start a revolution.

1 ~~Now comes the mention of American~~  
2 ~~influence.~~

3 They <sup>are</sup> say <sup>ing today</sup> that the big prison  
4 mutiny in England yesterday is explained  
5 by the fact that the prisoners were  
6 imitating the way convicts act in the  
7 United States. ~~It~~

8 The London Daily Herald, <sup>the labor paper,</sup> today  
9 prints a statement that some of the  
10 prisoners who had <sup>recently</sup> entered the Dartmoor  
11 prison had seen American movies in which  
12 were shown scenes in which ~~xxx~~ convicts  
13 revolted and broke into open mutiny.  
14 These new prisoners told the other  
15 convicts about those movies of American  
16 prison outbreaks. The subject became  
17 the talk of the jail. The English  
18 convicts brooded over those stories of  
19 rebellion in American prisons, and they  
20 say that was one of the causes of the *savage*  
21 outbreak yesterday.

22 Anyway, England was startled by  
23 that revolt in the grey Dartmoor prison.  
24 Guards and convicts fought all day. Two  
25 of the prisoners were killed and eighty  
wounded. They say that the trouble  
was the most violent in the history of  
British jails. *And today too the prisoners howled  
and shrieked their rage all day long.*



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1 It seems that some more of the old  
2 buildings of the Vatican are showing  
3 signs of age and decrepitude. The  
4 United Press cables that the authorities  
5 at the Vatican were alarmed today by  
6 indications that a number of important  
7 buildings of the historic Palace of the  
8 Popes are crumbling.

9 The Catalogue Room in the Vatican  
10 library was hastily vacated today when a  
11 large crack was discovered in one of the  
12 walls. Another crack was found in the  
13 wall of one of the sculpture galleries,  
14 where many masterpieces <sup>are kept</sup> ~~of the art of~~  
15 ~~sculpture are kept.~~

16 There appears, however, to be no  
17 immediate danger, and repair work is  
18 already under way.  
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1 Today was to have been a wild and  
2 woolly session was scheduled for Spain today —  
3 woolly time in Spain, but it wasn't so bad  
4 after all. A general strike of Communists  
5 and extreme radicals was <sup>slated</sup> ~~scheduled~~ to go  
6 into effect.

7 But the Associated Press ~~reports~~ <sup>tells</sup>  
8 <sup>how</sup> ~~that~~ the grand revolutionary effort  
9 didn't materialize to any great extent.  
10 The Communist general strike <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ on in  
11 only two cities, Seville and Málaga. In  
12 Seville business was tied up by the  
13 strike, and in Málaga there was an  
14 exchange of shots between the police and  
15 the strikers.

16 In other cities, however, things  
17 were pretty much as usual. Heavy forces  
18 of soldiers were kept in readiness all  
19 over the country, and they say the  
20 failure of the general strike is to be  
21 credited to the strong-arm policy of  
22 Premier Azana.



1 In Moscow eleven railroad workers  
2 are on trial. They're charged with  
3 neglect in connection with a disastrous  
4 train wreck near Moscow on January 2nd.  
5 The Bolshevik prosecutor caused a  
6 sensation today when he ordered the  
7 arrest of three officials of the road.  
8 They are to be tried along with the  
9 working men.

10 The Associated Press cables  
11 that the prosecutor is demanding  
12 prison sentences against the defendants.  
13 He wants nine of them to get as much as  
14 ten years apiece.

15 The disastrous train wrecks that  
16 have occurred in Russia indicate that  
17 something is wrong with the way the  
18 Soviets run the railroads. And the  
19 Bolshevik plan for improving efficiency  
20 is to send the inefficient to prison.  
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1 In China today the Premier and  
2 the Foreign Minister both resigned  
3 their offices. They did so because  
4 they could not do anything against the  
5 latest move made by Japan. *They are protesting*  
6 *against the weak policy of their government.*  
7 They declare that they were not  
8 allowed to break off diplomatic  
9 relations with the government of the  
10 Mikado. They would like to call upon  
11 the nations of the world to declare an  
12 international boycott against Japan.  
13 *But they couldn't do that. <sup>they were not allowed to.</sup>* In fact,  
14 they felt there wasn't anything they  
15 could do and so they stepped out of  
16 office.

16 Meanwhile, as the United Press  
17 relates, the Japanese Naval forces  
18 lying off Shanghai, had <sup>ve</sup> been increased  
19 by the arrival of a cruiser and four  
20 destroyers. More Japanese Marines were  
21 landed in the Shanghai international  
22 settlement. The Japanese have a  
23 powerful force mustered to back up  
24 their demands on China, and these  
25 demands are that the Chinese must drop



1 their boycott of Japanese goods. They  
2 must also give satisfaction for attacks  
3 that Chinese made upon several Japanese  
4 monks, and ~~also~~ for articles in Shanghai  
5 newspapers - articles containing  
6 insults against Japan.

7 But the boycott seems to be  
8 the real thing that the Japanese want to  
9 eliminate. The Mikado's government  
10 is threatening a drastic naval action  
11 against China unless ~~the~~ Japanese  
12 demands are ~~complied with~~ satisfied.

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1 Well, some people do have the  
2 faculty of breaking into the newspapers.

3 Here's General Smedly D. Butler in  
4 the public prints again.

5 But this time it is not a case  
6 of the American newspapers. The  
7 General is getting quite a bawling out  
8 from papers away down south in the  
9 tropics. I have a most courteous letter  
10 from a radio listener down in Honduras.  
11 He is Ricardo Callejas, at Puerto  
12 Castilla, in the Republic of Honduras.

13 Senor Callejas writes that the  
14 Honduran newspapers are up in arms ~~ag~~  
15 against General Butler. It appears  
16 that the General wrote an article in ~~the~~  
17 a Cuban periodical in which he <sup>poked a finger at</sup> ~~rebuked~~ the  
18 Honduran Army, the Honduran people and  
19 life in general in Honduras. And that  
20 has caused all the hubbub.

21 One Honduran newspaper prints  
22 a bristling article, <sup>about it.</sup> ~~under the following~~  
23 headline ~~GENERAL MEDLING BUTLER INSULTS~~  
24 ~~OUR COUNTRY.~~ Another Honduran paper  
25 tells of patriotic meetings organized



1 to send a Honduran swordsman to General  
2 Butler to redeem the national Honduran  
3 honor. I suppose the idea would be for  
4 the Honduran swordsman to challenge  
5 the ~~loud-speaking~~ <sup>outspoken</sup> Marine to a duel with  
6 cold steel. I don't know how much of  
7 a fencer the General is, but the idea  
8 of his exchanging thrusts and parries  
9 with the Honduran swordsman does make  
10 quite a dramatic picture.

11 Well, let's end on that  
12 beguiling vision of Smedley D. Butler  
13 in a duel with the Honduran swordsman--  
14 ~~use your own imagination and So Long~~  
15 ~~Until Tomorrow.~~

16 And as I would say if  
17 I got a challenge from a Honduran  
18 swordsman - s - e - l - u - t - o - n .  
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