

Good Evening, Everybody:

The whole world -- not only the aviation world, but the world at large -- is thrilled over the news <sup>about</sup> ~~that~~ Jimmie Mattern, Smiling Jimmie from Texas, is alive and well. After being missing twenty-<sup>four</sup> ~~two~~ days he is safe, sound and kicking.

You may recall that a couple of weeks ago I ventured <sup>a</sup> ~~to~~ guess that Jimmie might have landed in some remote spot from which communication with civilized parts might be difficult, if not almost impossible. This guess of mine was corroborated later by ~~first~~ Wiley Post, the round the world flier. But Wiley and I were both way off on our idea as to where Jimmie Mattern might have landed. We bet on one of the islands in the Aleutian Archipelago. Well, a wireless report by way of London informs me that Jimmie was found alive at a little <sup>fishing</sup> village ~~called Anadi~~ on the Chukotk <sup>a</sup> Peninsula in Siberia, ~~This is~~ a tiny trading village near the shores of ~~the~~ Bering Sea, <sup>on the Gulf of Anadi, away up near the Arctic Circle in remote</sup> ~~I suppose~~ you will remember that Mattern had not been

North-eastern Siberia.

heard from since June 14th when he left Khabarovsk in Siberia for a hop over ~~the~~ Bering Sea to Nome, Alaska. ~~He was then already well behind the round the world record of Post and Gatty.~~

In that <sup>far off Arctic</sup> ~~tiny little~~ Siberian <sup>province</sup> ~~trading village~~ there <sup>is</sup> neither telegraph nor wireless. Consequently the messaging conveying the information that Jimmie <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ alive and safe was exceedingly brief and lacking in details. But the way in which this news became known is quite picturesque. The first city to receive this information was Moscow. It ~~x~~ came in a telegram sent from a place called Bocharova in Siberia. The telegram was sent on July 5th and reached Moscow only this morning. The message was carried from <sup>Arctic</sup> Anadir to Bocharova, the nearest place with a telegraph wire, by a Siberian who traveled twenty-two days on foot in order to do so.

Incidentally I <sup>have</sup> ~~I~~ received word from Edmonton, Canada, that the Alexander relief plane which was going out in search of Jimmie, left that neighborhood early this morning, too early to be headed off by the <sup>good</sup> ~~news~~ <sup>that has now gone out</sup> ~~which was spread by~~ all over the civilized world from Moscow.



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Then ~~the~~ here's something from Washington on the same subject. Coast Guard Headquarters tells us that Uncle Sam's Coast Guard Destroyer Northland, <sup>in Bering Sea,</sup> is only about three hundred miles from the place where Mattern landed. But the Northland cannot proceed into foreign waters unless given permission by the Moscow Government. Such permission will have to be obtained by the State Department. There's an obstacle to that. Uncle Sam has no diplomatic relations with the Soviet ~~Government~~. So we would have to make such a request through the ambassador of either England or France in Moscow.

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And there's plenty of other aviation news. Colonel and Mrs. Charles ~~A.~~ Lindbergh spent this afternoon at College Point near New York preparing their monoplane for their hop to Greenland. As I mentioned the other day, ~~Colonel and Mrs.~~ <sup>the</sup> Lindbergh <sup>s</sup> are making a survey of the northern route to Europe. They expect to start sometime tomorrow, weather permitting.

Meanwhile, at Floyd Bennett Field, two planes were oiled, fuelled, and tuned up, ready for a jump across the Atlantic. <sup>In one of them</sup> ~~x~~ The two Frenchmen, Maurice Rossi and Paul Codes, expect to start ~~the~~ first

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thing tomorrow morning on their way to <sup>Far off</sup> Persia. They hope to <sup>break the</sup> ~~get the~~ world's long distance flight record <sup>held by the late Russell Boardman.</sup>

And then two Lithuanians from Chicago, Captain Stephen Darius and Stanley Tiraness, are going to start on a non-stop flight to Riga, the Lithuanian port on the Baltic Sea. Their ambition is to put their country on the flying map.

At the same time we learn from <sup>R</sup> ~~the~~ Mackay Radio Message that General Balbo and his fleet of twenty-four Italian planes are still weather bound at Reykjavik, Iceland. And by the way, the Chicago police are making formidable preparations to protect the Italian air fleet when it arrives at the World's Fair in Chicago. It seems that threats have been uttered by people opposed to the Fastest <sup>Government.</sup> Consequently special troops and officers will guard the Italian planes and fliers every minute while they are in Chicago. ~~There~~ Their emergency base will be at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and <sup>another</sup> special guard will be established there. Major Reed Landis, the American War Ace is in charge of these arrangements. He tells

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us that both mounted and foot troops, air guards and naval reserves, will be used to protect Italy's Air Minister and his army.

Another interesting air event is to take place in New York State Monday. That will be the annual glider meet of the Soaring Society of America. More than forty planes without motors will try to glide through the air all the way from Elmira, New York, to within twenty-five miles of New York City. The magazine Aviation has offered a prize to the first glider <sup>pilot</sup> who does the stunt. The distance between those two points is a hundred and eighty miles. Some glide, I should call it. ~~This meet is sponsored by the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce.~~

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## RECOVERY

Another warning to American business has been issued by the Administration of the National Recovery Act. You may recall that yesterday Donald Richberg, General Counsel for the Administration<sup>or,</sup> cautioned American business men. That warning was repeated and emphasized today in Washington by General Hugh Johnson, <sup>the</sup> Administrator <sup>himself.</sup> ~~of the Act.~~

9 The gist of the remarks with which he, figuratively speaking, shook his finger at American industry, was that they are not boosting wages fast enough to keep <sup>up</sup> ~~track~~ with the rise of commodity prices throughout the country. Unless manufacturers at large increase the wages of their men and thus raise the purchasing power of the general public, said General Johnson, we are in danger of a new collapse.

Then he went on to say: "We are having a good rise now. But if we cannot back it up with increased purchasing power, there's danger that we may be in for another <sup>crash.</sup> ~~crisis.~~" And he added: "I shudder to think what would happen to this country if we had another smash-up."

The General declared further that he had seen

indications of concerted action among the leaders in certain industries to raise prices.

In this connection he pointed out that the recent warning from Attorney General Cummings against violation of the anti-trust laws is in earnest. He says the ~~xxxxxx~~ raising of prices seems to have been put into effect by some industries who have not yet agreed upon a code that complies with the National Recovery Act. Some people he said, appear not to have read the Act and have had poor legal advice. The anti-trust laws, he declared, are only relaxed so far as prices are concerned after an industry is operating under a code.

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## BUSINESS

Dun and Bradstreet<sup>s</sup>, gatherers of business news, issued another striking report today, a report that should strike home to all of us. Dun and Bradstreet<sup>s</sup> say that it is no longer an opinion that business is on the upgrade, it is a fact.

The report declares further that the rise has come on so suddenly that <sup>its</sup> ~~xxxx~~ full significance is not yet grasped in many quarters. During the first six months of the current year there has been a complete reversal of trends in trade; a precipitous and unprecedented climb of productive and distributive totals. This has <sup>got</sup> even leaders of industry mystified.

Dun and Bradstreet<sup>s</sup> say further that the buying wave now has reached such proportions that it has swept aside all suspicion and lack of confidence. A proof of the permanency of this improvement is the weekly increase in the piling up of unfilled orders.



(7) In line with this was a terrifically busy day on the New York Stock Exchange. We learn from the Wall Street Journal that the ticker was as much as twenty-six minutes behind the trading. They had a seven million share day due largely to what the experts call weekend profit <sup>taking</sup> ~~trading~~.

Now for something to show that not all employers have been as slow in raising wages as those aimed at by General Johnson. The Dupont Company in Wilmington announced a ten per cent monthly increase for all its employees, beginning today. Subsidiary companies of the Duponts will fall in line.

Then we learn from San Francisco that after a stormy season sixty thousand workers in ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> canning ~~industry~~ <sup>plants</sup> throughout California, Oregon and Washington are to get the highest wages in the history of ~~that~~ <sup>the</sup> industry. They will receive twenty-seven-and-a-half cents an hour instead of the previous scale of ten cents.

Another indication of better times was in evidence in Chicago where the United States Brewery Association ~~are~~ <sup>is</sup>

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holding a meeting. Some eighty per cent of the brewers in the U.S.A. are represented. The thing that makes this news is that it is the first meeting of the Association in some fifteen years.

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## FOLLOW BUSINESS

Here's another business item which sounds like a good omen. The Thornton Fuller Company, distributors of Dodge cars in Philadelphia, tell me that they received today the largest shipment of automobiles that ever came into Phillie by trailer at one time. A line of forty-five trailers about two and a half miles long, went over the highway into Philadelphia, carrying two hundred and sixty-five Dodge passenger cars and trucks.

This is one item in the "better times for Philadelphia campaign" which is going on. Incidentally, the Thornton Fuller people are frankly recommending all their customers to use nothing but Blue Sunoco gas and <sup>motor</sup> ~~Blue~~ Sunoco oil in their cars. So there's something to <sup>ponder over this week end.</sup> ~~paste up in your garage~~

Sun Oil Co.



## CONFERENCE

5 Well, it looks as though Uncle Sam won another point at that World Economic Conference in London today. This was in a continuation of the battle on the monetary question. A wireless report informs me that a unique situation developed in a meeting of the Committee on Monetary Affairs. Uncle Sam's principal opponent again was France. The French delegates, you will recall, are leading the five countries comprising the gold bloc. Twice the French delegates have demanded that the Monetary Committee quit discussing all questions of money except international debts.

Uncle Sam's chief ally today was John Bull. The British delegates moved that the Committee continue a wide discussion of monetary topics and this motion was seconded by ~~the spokesmen~~ <sup>the spokesmen</sup> ~~delegates~~ from the U.S.A. When the votes were counted, it was found that Uncle Sam and John Bull had twenty-five, and France only fifteen votes. So the discussions of money and currency will continue, although France and her allies, the other gold standard countries, will not take any part.

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## ROOSEVELT

An almost equally important meeting connected with the conference was held today at the White House. President Roosevelt summoned Mr. Bernard Baruch, the banker and financial authority, Norman H. Davis, Uncle Sam's Ambassador at Large, Acting Secretary of State Phillips, and <sup>the</sup> Acting Secretary of the Treasury and the Economic Advisor to the State Department, *to discuss the London situation,*

4 This followed on the conference which the President held yesterday with the Administrators of the Recovery program. At <sup>yesterday's</sup> ~~that~~ meeting the President canvassed the domestic situation. So today's ~~session~~ <sup>meeting</sup> was a sequel to that of yesterday. It was indicated that Mr. Roosevelt considers his program for recovery at home of paramount importance, and international affairs second.

No formal statement was issued after today's meeting.

But the White House reporters were given to understand that the President and his advisors discussed the question of currency stabilization.

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## TENNIS

The U. S. A. sustained one <sup>smashing</sup>~~signal~~ defeat in London today.  
~~That was~~ On the tennis courts of Wimbledon. Ellsworth Vines, our  
champion, was decisively trounced ~~in a score of~~ three sets to two.  
I ~~we~~ learn <sup>by</sup> ~~through~~ <sup>direct</sup> a wireless from London that the <sup>victor was</sup> ~~man who defeated~~  
~~him is~~ Jack Crawford, the Australian champion. Vines won the first  
and the fourth sets, each by a score of six to two. He lost the  
second by eleven to nine; the third six to two; and the last six to  
four.

John R. Tunis cables the "New York Evening Post" that it was  
a great match. It was Crawford's first victory at Wimbledon. The  
Californian seemed to be considerable the better player at first.  
But the Anzac broke him down <sup>— he did it</sup> with low spinning shots to the American's  
back hand.

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## GOLF

As an offset to the sad news from ~~LENN~~ the tennis court, two American golfers are tied for first place in the British open championship at the famous old links of St. Andrews in Scotland. Those two Americans are Craig Wood of Deal, New Jersey, and Densmore Shute of Philadelphia, Each of them has a total score of two hundred and ninety-two for the seventy-two holes. The runners-up are Gene Sarazen and Leo Diegel, who had a score of two hundred ninety-three a piece, just one stroke more than the leaders.

*It seems to have been an all-American affair.*

Craig Wood and Densmore Shute will play ~~thirty-six~~

*it off*  
~~holes~~ tomorrow.

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ROCKEFELLER

*And,* Tomorrow is the birthday of one of America's *golf*  
magnificos, John D. Rockefeller, Sr. ~~There~~ It will be  
the ninety-fourth birthday of the Sultan of Oil, and he  
will celebrate it in the same way <sup>celebrated</sup> he has his last ten  
anniversaries. *John D. will <sup>not</sup> be at his new offices <sup>at</sup> the*  
~~he~~ will play nine holes of golf and ~~he~~ take  
a little automobile ride through the vast grounds of his  
estate at Pocantico Hills, New York.

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*not new R.C.A. Bldg. at Rockefeller Center;  
instead*

JOKER

The following is the tale of what happened to one practical joker in the luxurious regions of Greenwich, Connecticut, the home of many New York millionaires and near-millionaires. The victim was Mathew Hanna, who is not only a prominent lawyer but the partner of Homer S. Cummings, Attorney General of the U.S.A. Mr. <sup>Hanna</sup>~~Hanna~~ was waked up the other morning by an insistent clamor at his front door. He got up, rubbed the sleep out of his eyes, and found on his door step two undertakers, hearse and all, accompanied by a florist. They announced they had come there to bury Mr. Hanna. Mr. Hanna objected and said he <sup>was not ready</sup> ~~did not want~~ <sup>I fact he objected to being buried</sup> to be buried. ~~When the~~ <sup>when the</sup> undertakers insisted that they had received a rush telephone call to <sup>bury</sup> ~~bury~~ Mr. Hanna, and they were going to do what they had set out to do. After considerable difficulty Mr. Hanna finally ~~convinced~~ convinced the over-enthusiastic undertakers that he was much too alive to be buried.

Well, it happens that this is an exceedingly old and not too tasteful practical joke. There's nothing much a victim can do about it, but so many undertakers have suffered from ~~this~~ <sup>such</sup>



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umor that these two in Greenwich, Connecticut got sore. They complained to the Medical Examiner. The Medical Examiner instructed the police to trace the telephone calls. This the police did, and, the Medical Examiner informs me, that the calls were traced today to the home of a Mr. Leonard Holley. The Medical Examiner told Mr. Holley that death is no joke, in official circles at any rate, and that

he must pay not only the florist but the undertaker.

*So it seems*  
*that the joke tonight is on the Jolly Mr. Holley,*  
~~Well, before anybody sends for an undertaker for me, I'm~~

~~going to rush for a train and~~

SO LONG UNTIL MONDAY.

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