

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

A new international ^{crisis looms} ~~situation threatens~~ tonight. ^Q
^{minor crisis.} ~~This one~~ ^R Right in our own front yard; ~~In short, it's~~ ^B Between
Uncle Sam and Japan. That problem of the Japanese who are fishing
out Bristol Bay, off the Alaskan Coast, is ^{coming to a head.} ~~approaching a crisis.~~
~~At its best,~~ ^{And} it looks like a tough problem for ~~American and~~
~~Japanese~~ diplomats to iron out. ^{And maybe actual} ~~At its worst, it looks like actual~~
fighting between American fishermen and the crews of the Japanese
floating canneries in Bristol Bay.

This difficulty has been with us for a long time.
Fishing in those waters is protected by strict regulations.
Those regulations have been observed by our own fishermen.
They are ^{intended} ~~regulations~~ to conserve the salmon supply in northern
waters. The Japanese, ^{have been} ~~anchored~~ ^{why} outside the three mile limit,
^{why} ~~have~~ spread their nets far and wide. ~~The consequences are twofold.~~

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~~First of all, they were rapidly~~ ^{Rapidly} exhausting the supply of salmon, catching and canning everything in sight. ^{Shutting}

~~The second has been to shut~~ off our own fishermen.

The quarrel has been under negotiation between Washington and Tokyo for ~~some~~ months, with the usual tortoise-like speed of diplomatic bargainings. The Japanese Government made a concession some time ago, ordered its nationals not to catch any more salmon until the argument had been ~~thrested~~ ^{thrested} out. Did the Japanese weigh anchor and go home? They did not. They stayed right where they were, saying they weren't catching salmon but crabs.

The fishermen on the spot have become exasperated with diplomatic delays. ~~While the diplomats talk,~~ Their waters are being fished out. So an urgent radio message was sent today from an American schooner in Bristol Bay. It was sent to Seattle, saying: "Send rifles and ammunition, our men are going to take this into their own hands."

It is understood that twenty-four rifles are being sent with plenty of ammunition. ~~This is one subject on which the~~

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unions and employers are in complete harmony. That radio message from the captain of a fishing schooner said: "Bering Sea is covered by Japanese boats and nets. We'll run ~~these~~ ^{em} Japanese out ourselves." And he added: "~~There are no cutters around here and when no officials are looking out, the Japanese are making numerous trips to shore.~~"

However, the impatient fishermen will have to reckon with the Coast Guard. The officials of that arm say: "If there's any shooting to be done, we'll do it. We're watching the situation."

MEXICO

John Bull is going to iron out his difficulties with President Cardenas of Mexico. That news ~~that~~ comes to us from New Orleans. His Excellency, Sinclair O'Malley, British Minister to Mexico, landed in that Louisiana port today on his way home to England. And there he told reporters that it will probably be only a matter of time for Great Britain and Mexico to resume the diplomatic relations that were broken off last month. On that, Minister O'Malley expressed himself ~~in~~ as in sympathy with the Mexican people. Being named O'Malley, he had reason for that, for said he: "The Mexican people have the same problem as the Irish." And he explained: "That's the land question, the return of the land to the peasants." Said Minister O'Malley further: "That was the great Irish problem of the Nineteenth Century, but they went about it in a somewhat different way."

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CZECH

That Czechoslovak problem is still a slumbering volcano in the heart of central Europe. First of all, ^{today,} there was the funeral of those two Sudeten Germans, ~~supposed to have been~~ killed last week by Czech police. As might have been expected, it was turned into a monster demonstration, ^{for} ~~a big hurrah for~~ Hitler and for a Sudeten anschluz with the Nazi Reich.) Henlein, the Hitler of Czechoslovakia, ^{was the Mark Anthony of} ~~made full capital at~~ the funeral, treating the dead men as martyrs in a great patriotic cause.

¶ Representatives from the German legation at Prague were present.

While ~~these~~ ^{funeral orations} inflammatory ~~speeches~~ were being made over the graves, the German minister at Prague paid a visit to the Foreign Office. He protested that the German frontier had been violated by Czech airplanes four times in the last twenty-four hours. The report adds that he also urged the withdrawal of those bristling Czechoslovak troops that are guarding the Republic's frontier. That's how it reads in the dispatch from Prague. From Berlin it was reported that Hitler's minister demanded the withdrawal of those troops.

On that issue President Benes and Premier Hodza are standing pat. They continue to protect their frontier.

All this causes grave shakings of the head in London.

The Neville Chamberlain government wants the Czechoslovaks to give in. And what's more, they have brought pressure upon the

French, the allies of the Czechoslovaks. ^{s.} ~~The Czechoslovak~~ ^{The Prague}

ambassador to Paris made a hurried trip ^{home} ~~to Prague~~ tonight, ~~He~~

^{taking} ~~took~~ with him an urgent message from the French government. The

gist of it was: "For the sake of peace, withdraw your troops

from the border." With him went the Czechoslovak minister to

London, who had stopped in Paris on his way home.

This attitude of Chamberlain ^{seems} ~~sounds~~ a bit ironic

in the face of what the official German newspapers are saying

about him. They attack him bitterly and describe British policy

as downright silly.

RECOVERY FOLLOW WAGE HOUR

President Roosevelt's Recovery Bill ~~is also continued on~~ *is still the*
~~subject of controversy in~~ *subject of controversy in*
~~its somewhat limping progress through~~ the Senate. ~~That's the~~ *The*

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bill to spend three and a quarter billion dollars. Its principal
obstacle of the day was Senator Wheeler of Montana. He is not
agin the bill altogether, but he's agin letting Harry Hopkins
have a blank check on that three and a quarter billions. The
Montana Senator claims that Congress should specify how that huge
sum should be spent. He was provoked to an outburst about things
he had heard concerning ~~Mr.~~ Hopkins; ~~He was~~ nettled by a statement
~~frs Mrs.~~ Hopkins ~~had~~ made concerning the elections in Iowa, a
statement favoring Representative Wearin, who is fighting for the
toga of Democratic Senator Gillette. ~~Said Senator Wheeler:-~~
~~"I have a high regard for ~~Mr.~~ Hopkins. But the statement he makes~~
~~which in effect orders relief workers in Iowa to vote for Mr. Wearin,~~
~~and against Mr. Gillette, and this at a time when we are~~
~~considering a new relief appropriation."~~

The supporters of the President's Recovery Bill are
making hopeful prophecies. They say that the country at large will
begin to pick up within ninety days after Congress has passed the
bill.

BRIDGES

While the three billion spending &
~~Late this afternoon came the report of a particularly~~
lending bill was under debate,
~~sudden tragedy in high political circles. While Senator~~

Bridges of New Hampshire, ~~was~~ on the floor of the Senate, ~~he~~
received an unexpected and urgent message. Mrs. Bridges
at their home in Concord, New Hampshire, had suffered a stroke.

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The Senator immediately was ~~re~~ rushed to the airport and
chartered a special plane. The plane flew at top speed
north from Washington. He arrived in Concord shortly after
noon. But, ~~he arrived~~ too late. Mrs. Bridges ~~had~~ died ~~in~~
~~the hospital of a cerebral hemorrhage ten minutes~~ before the
Senator's plane ^{arrived.} ~~had come to land.~~

T.V.A.

Fireworks flew today in a committee room at Washington. It was the opening of that long promised investigation into the T.V.A. The first witness was Dr. ^{Ar}thur Morgan, whom President Roosevelt discharged, the man whose fight with his fellow directors brought the whole business to a head. The tall, gaunt engineer from Ohio lost no time in firing ~~off~~ his ammunition. He dotted the i's and crossed the t's on his charges against his fellow directors, ~~Dr.~~ Harcourt Morgan and David Lilienthal.

First of all, he charged them with collusion, conspiracy and mismanagement. Then he became more explicit and charged them with having falsified a report, the report of their negotiations with the Commonwealth and Southern Utilities Corporation for the ~~purp~~ purchase of their properties. Director Lilienthal sat almost at Arthur Morgan's elbow as he listened to these accusations against himself.

the Doctor from Antioch
Then ~~he~~ brought up the case of the marble quarries owned

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by Senator Berry of Tennessee. ~~You'll remember that~~ Senator Berry ~~had~~ put in a claim for five million dollars against the T.V.A. for those quarries. "And," said Ex-Chairman Arthur Morgan:

"David Lilienthal and ~~Dr.~~ Harcourt Morgan tried their best to make things easy for Senator Berry by arranging a compromise." A Federal commission which heard ^{the} evidence ~~of that matter~~ described the Berry claims as worthless. ~~Such is the charge.~~

Then he came to another point. Harcourt Morgan and Lilienthal, he said, had shown favoritism to large interests. That was in the sale of power generated by the T.V.A. dams. And he added: "They had failed to protect the rights of the public or of the Tennessee Valley Authority."

He also accused David Lilienthal of having misled President Roosevelt. And he replied to a charge made against him by Lilienthal and Harcourt Morgan. They had thrown it up to him that he had employed an engineer formerly in the employ of Insull. Arthur Morgan retorted today by pointing out that Lilienthal had employed Insull's former publicity man.

One thing, however, he said on the other side of the ledger. He entirely ~~absolutely~~ absolved both Lilienthal and Harcourt Morgan of any suspicion of graft.

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SIT-DOWN

The lawmakers of New Jersey are ^{tackling} ~~trying to tackle~~ the labor problem. They are considering a bill whose authors say it is going to be a model for all other states to copy. They call it the "Little Wagner Act." And they ^{declare} ~~say~~ its purpose is to promote amicable relations between capital and labor. The State Senator who introduced it, modestly declares that his measure is the nearest approach to perfection.

Let's see what perfection means to a New Jersey legislator. First of all, it tackles the dynamite question of sit-down strikes, ^{which} ~~and~~ he labels ~~them~~ ^{as} "high misdemeanors." Workers who engage in sit-down strikes ~~are~~ to be punished by prison sentences of fifteen years. ^{Mighty high misdemeanor is what he meant.}

On the other hand, ^{the bill} ~~it~~ has restrictions for employers too.

It enumerates a list of what it calls ~~the~~ "unfair practices."

~~There is~~ This includes the hiring of labor spies, the blacklisting of union men and members. An employer who interferes with organizations that his employees belong to is also called unfair. ~~So is one who declines to recognize collective bargaining or discuss the grievances of the men who work for him.~~

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To see that all these rules and regulations are carried out, this New Jersey bill would create a labor board. Three men, one representing capital, another from the ranks of labor, the third to be neutral. Three \$5,000 jobs.

There are loud oh's and ah's of astonishment in Father Knickerbocker's city today. ~~Astonishment and Dismay reigned~~ in the wigwams of the braves of Tammany Hall. (One of the richest, most powerful, most popular of Tammany's dictrict leaders was arrested, ~~He was all~~ arrested by racket buster ~~Tom~~ Thomas E. Dewey, whose sensational prosecution of mobsters lead to his election as District Attorney last November.) — Jimmy Hines. And the

~~The~~ ^{him} charge against ~~Mr. Hines~~ is that he was involved in the operation of a lottery, specifically, the Numbers racket.

~~Not only Tammany Braves but everybody else in New York is somewhat amazed.~~ Everybody supposed Jimmy Hines, as he ~~was~~ ^{is} popularly known, was immune, in an impregnable ~~post~~ position. Although he is a Tammany leader he has been high in favor ~~as~~ with the New Deal. At a time when practically all of Tammany was fighting President Roosevelt ~~literally~~ Jimmy Hines stuck up for him. ~~The conclusion was that he~~ ^{consequently so he} has been receiving quite a bit of federal patronage in New York City. ~~He has been~~ One of the more colorful of the Tammany

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chiefs. Originally a black smith ~~he is one of those~~

~~who~~ ~~literally~~ ^{he} smashed his way to the top, smashed it

with his fists in the days when the fruits of politics went

to the brawny. At one time he was known as the power behind

the throne in Tammany, ~~Hall~~, the man who sat at the leaders

elbow and told him what to do. ~~He was a one time friend of~~

Now arrested in the Numbers
~~the beer baron, a gentleman known in the annals of crime as~~

racket.
~~Dutch Schultz.~~

BUFFALO

The mills of the gods of justice have been grinding in Buffalo. One public official after another has faced a jury, and been convicted of graft. Today a former ^{mayor of} ~~member of the~~ ^{great} New York's city on the lake, joined the list. A jury of the Supreme Court found him guilty on six of eight counts. While he was mayor, Buffalo was building a fifteen million dollar sewer. And ^{the} ~~that~~ mayor was found ^{accused of} ~~guilty of having~~ ^{ing} accepted bribes, from an insurance broker. Found ^{guilty of that today.}

BOBB

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When Admiral Byrd was making his first expedition to the South Pole, the public heard ^{much about one} ~~a great deal about a Mr.~~ Charles V. Bobb. He was one of the angels who put up ^{a large} part of the funds for the Byrd Expedition. And there were many colorful stories about ^{the} Paul Bunyan-like ~~Mr.~~ Bobb. Apparently his was a typically glamorous American career, a man who had raised himself to fame and riches by ^{high} ~~pressure exploits~~ ^{brilliant feats} in the financial world.

Later on, ~~unfortunately,~~ the gilt got wiped off the ~~Bobb~~ gingerbread. ^{Spectacular} ~~Brilliant Mr.~~ Bobb, the Admiral's ^{arch} angel, popped up suddenly and ignominiously in the clutches of the law. For the law said that ~~Mr.~~ Bobb's ^{startling} ~~brilliant~~ feats in the financial world consisted of swindling people with phoney mining stock.

All this becomes news ^{again} because ~~Mr.~~ Bobb and four others ^{today stood} ~~people stand~~ at the bar of the Federal Court in New York, ^{again} ~~today. They face~~ ^{facing} their fourth trial, ~~on these charges,~~ while the weather is about a 100 below in the Charles V. Bobb Mountains which Admiral Byrd discovered.

PLANE

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There's only one real piece of news about that ~~latest~~ ^{latest} ~~awful~~ ^{awful} airplane disaster. ~~near Cleveland~~ ^{today} The Bureau of Air Commerce sent four of its ~~best~~ ^{crack} inspectors ^{to Cleveland today} to investigate the tragedy. So far it seems to be more completely a mystery than any ~~thing else that's~~ ^{event in} ~~recent~~ ^{happened in} aviation.

~~The Cleveland coroner examined the bodies of the victims~~
~~as soon as they could be taken from the smoldering ashes of the~~
~~wreck. One of them, he said, had suffered a fractured skull,~~
~~several had lesser fractures. But the principal cause of death,~~
~~he declares, was fire.~~ ^{It The cause seems to have}
The engineers of United Airlines, after ^{been fire.} examining the wreck, found that ~~neither~~ ^{neither} ~~of~~ ^{of} the plane's two engines was in operation at the moment that it crashed.

And there's an interesting bit of aviation news in the June issue of COMMENTATOR Magazine. It comes from the workshop of Glenn Martin. ^{Martin is} ~~He's~~ ^{He's} designing an ocean transport larger than any that has yet been either built or conceived. It will weigh ~~a hundred and eighteen thousand pounds,~~ ^{— 60 tons —} and will carry a hundred passengers across the ocean, that is, a hundred in day time, sixty-six with sleeper accommodations. ^{— as many as a} train.

BICYCLE

A lady in Boston, the mother of a fourteen year old boy, had a premonition yesterday. It was a premonition that something was going to happen, presumably something bad. So she took away her young son's bicycle, locked it up so that he couldn't ride it.

Two hours later, she received a telephone call. The boy had borrowed the bicycle of one of his chums. And an automobile driver had knocked him down and killed him.

TANKER FOLLOW AIRPLANE

~~The Cleveland airplane tragedy was followed by~~
~~the news of an~~ Explosion ^{of} an ocean going ship. She wasn't
at sea but in port at Fall River, Massachusetts. Something
blew up aboard an oil tanker. In a few seconds she was
wrapped in flames. The force of the explosion ~~blew~~ ripped
out a large section of the tanker's bottom. Nineteen people
were burned, or, injured in other ways. Thirty men ~~dived~~
quickly into the waters of the Fall River Harbor. ~~An~~ There
was a time of terrific anxiety at Fall River, ^{for} ~~when~~ the tanker
blew up not far from sixty large storage tanks. However,
the fire department got the flames under control in an hour.

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McCARTHY

We've heard of people drawing up wills which bequeath money to dogs, cats, parrots and other pets. Edgar Bergen, the big

throat and gag man, has gone these people one better. In his will,

he has left ten thousand dollars to Charlie McCarthy *— and not in wooden nickels either.* He has

asked the Actors Fund of America to serve as Charlie's guardian.

The income of that ten thousand dollars ~~is~~ is to be used to keep

— polish his wooden leg.
Charlie in good repair. But he is not to be kept idle in a glass

case. Charlie is to be kept vocal, to be used by ventriloquists of

later generations. As Edgar Bergen puts it, he is to be used to

perpetuate the art of ventriloquism.

*I now Hugh
what from you?*

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