

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

( Franco's army in Barcelona tonight!. That's the latest.

The insurgents captured the city airport, and then pushed on through the outlying streets right into the Catalonian capital. ) Seven columns today converged on the city, and several reached it.

Artillery posted on the hills overlooking the harbor has opened fire on the shipping in the port -- adding shells to a day-long rain fo air bombs designed to cut off sea communications.

( The insurgent commanders report they're meeting with little resistance, the whole Barcelona defanse seems to have collapsed ) in a general route. And they say that when the Rebel detachments entered the suburbs they were met with white flags flying from houses.

Yet the reports from Barcelona itself talked today of nothing but resistance to the end, every man to the defense. This afternoon the powerful Red organizations of Syndicalists and Anarchists summoned their members to the barricades, for street

fighting to the death. Barcelona historically has been a stronghold of the Red extremist groups, the Syndicalist and Anarchist labor unions who may well be nerved to fight to the end, for they have little mercy to expect from Franco.

Today, the Rebel command bombarded the heart of Barcelona - with leaflets, calling upon the people to surrender, promising them food. And we hear of fleets of food trucks mobilized behind the insurgent lines, ready to rush bread ~~xxx~~ into the hungry city. Yes, Franco promises the beleaguered populace a fiesta of food.

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And the ~~RE~~ leaflets from the sky promised - an amnesty, nobody to be harmed. Nobody who is not a criminal need fear anything, pledges Franco. ~~By criminals he means those that took part in the executions under the Left regime, particularly the mass killings at the beginning of the Civil War.~~

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No doubt the Rebels will treat as criminals the chiefs of the great Red organizations, the Syndicalist and Anarchist unions.

So they might as well fight it out.

Yet of course they may elect to flee. The way of flight is still open - to the east, to the remoter parts of Catalonia. Hundreds of thousands of fugitives are streaming that way now - including the Barcelona government. The regime of Premier Negrin has left the doomed city - to reestablish ~~the~~ <sup>itself</sup> ~~republican government~~ in some remote Catalonian town. Just where, is being kept a secret - so that the warplanes may not come bombing.

~~Yet~~, Barcelona will still remain the capital - though for the other side. The latest word from Spain tonight is <sup>q</sup> ~~the~~



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Franco announcement that the insurgent government will move from its present capital of Burgos to Barcelona. That's how sure Franco is of taking the city. No doubt the Rebels ultimately intend the capital of Spain shall be the traditional one, Madrid -- when they conquer that central portion of Spain still held by the Republican regime.

Here's the latest: -- full Franco occupation of Barcelona is being delayed until daybreak.



PLANE

All sorts of mystery and confusion surround the crash of the Douglas bomber at Los Angeles. It was a test flight of a ~~warplane of~~ new type constructed for the army and is said to have been marked with the insignia of the United States Army Airforce.

The pilot was killed, and another man aboard was seriously injured. He's in a critical condition in the hospital tonight and is listed as a Frenchman from Paris. Reports are that he is an officer of the French Army Air Corps. However, company officials insist that he's a mere mechanic. ~~and issues~~ *And we have* the further statement that several French army officers were on the field observing the tests of the bomber.

All of which sounds mysterious - why a French Air Corps officer should have been aboard and why French Air Corps officers should have been observing - while a new type army bomber was being tested!

RELIEF

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The Senate today opened its debate on the Emergency Relief Bill. The lower House cut the money the President wants for immediate W.P.A. spending, slashed it from eight hundred and seventy-five million to seven hundred and twenty-five million. The Senate Appropriations Committee voted for this lower figure, with the proviso that the relief rolls shall not be drastically cut during the winter. This is the bill which the Senate is now considering.

Democratic Senator Adams of Colorado opened the debate. He's a conservative advocate of the slash. <sup>Then</sup> the administration forces went into action with a repetition of the contention that the cut in the relief appropriation would mean an unwarranted cut in the relief rolls during the next five months.



PERKINS

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In the House of Representatives today a resolution was introduced that concerns the possible impeachment of Secretary of Labor Miss Frances Perkins. The resolution ~~was entered by Republican Representative Thomas of New Jersey, and it~~ cites the familiar accusation that Secretary Perkins has been remiss in her duty in not moving for the deportation of Harry Bridges, ~~the~~ C.I.O. leader on the Pacific coast. The resolution uses the term - "coddle and protect!" Bridges, the alleged Communist, being coddled and protected. Two subordinates in the Labor Department are likewise named in today's resolution *which calls,*

~~It is not, however, a resolution calling for the impeachment of Miss Frances Perkins. There's a technical difference - it's a resolution calling~~ upon the House Judiciary Committee to investigate the Secretary of Labor to determine whether or not she should be impeached. When she heard of this, Miss Perkins said she'd welcome an investigation, would ask for a hearing before the Committee.



AUTO UNION

The fight in the Auto Workers Union was placed before  
the C.I.O. today. Union President Homer Martin<sup>^</sup> expelled a  
*the other day*  
whole lot of U.A.W. officers, because of their opposition to  
his negotiations with the Ford Company. *Whereupon*  
<sup>^</sup> They went ahead and  
formed an opposition union organization of their own, and today  
nine officers of this organization were in Washington conferring  
with C.I.O. Vice-President<sup>s</sup> Sidney Hillman and Philip Murray -  
trying to convince them that the opposition to Martin is right  
in the U.A.W. squabble.

COUGAR

*trying to boom up*  
In these days of <sup>^</sup>business ~~booming~~, even the Glastonbury glawackus comes in handy. What is that creature with the fearsome name? It's a Connecticut monster that screams like a child and kills dogs. It frequents the vicinity of the City of Glastonbury, and some local scientist named it - the glawackus. People who have seen it describe it as a ferocious ~~critter~~ that looks something like a cat and has a long tail. <sup>Some</sup> ~~At night its~~ ~~shrill screams ring out something like the wailing of a giant~~ ~~infant, and in the morning dead dogs are found. Some people~~ believe it's a western cougar, a mountain lion, that broke out of a circus and is haunting the local hills and woods. ~~People familiar with the wilder parts of the west will recall the nocturnal scream of the mountain lion, and it's quite possible that a hungry cougar might attack dogs.~~ However, to the local Connecticut Yankees it's the Glastonbury glawackus, and local business men have taken up the monster in a big way - for sales pressure advertising.

Today in the local papers merchants came out with ads reading like this:- "Photograph the Glawackus!" proclaimed a local



store selling cameras. A butcher advertised that the steaks he sells are tender, while steaks cut from the Glawackus are tough. Another advertisement read: "Don't look like a Glawackus, go to so-and-so's beauty parlor!"

Well, that's smart advertising, and let's carry it one step further: "If you want to catch the Glastonbury Glawackus, chase him in a car with a tankful of Blue Sunoco!" How about that, you gentlemen of the Sun Oil Company?



BRULATOUR

Secrecy surrounds the case of Jules Brulatour, famous in the motion picture industry. All ~~HERE~~ we are told is that he shot himself on Sunday - the word kept secret ever since. He has been in the hospital since then and now is reported recovering. The only thing authentic we have is a copy of a brief police report saying that in his New York residence Brulatour shot himself in the head. It may have been a suicide attempt - one version says it was an accident.

It's all mysterious about the seventy year old magnate of film, who has been cashing in for years on an invention that's vital to motion picture photography. His wife is Hope Hampton, singer and movie star. ~~Sunday night~~ he was at a play with ~~his wife~~ *her - the spectacular opening* and is described as having been in the best of spirits. ~~Later that night~~ *Then -* the shooting.

*at the American Way, the Center Theater,*

POISON

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The Philadelphia police are making arrests of an arsenic insurance gang. Pleasing name that, for a criminal mob - poisoning with arsenic to collect insurance. Six murders are attributed to them. They made a regular business of it, selling their services to beneficiaries of insurance policies who wanted to collect. They had a regular scale of prices. (If the policy was <sup>for</sup> no more than five thousand dollars, the beneficiary paid them a thousand dollars for poisoning the policy holder. If the policy <sup>was for</sup> ~~were~~ more than five thousand dollars, the fee was two thousand.)

Everybody in the case, prisoners, victims, etcetra, seemed to be Italians, and the methods of the arsenic insurance gang were of a black-handish cunning. They'd wait until a prospective victim fell ill and was treated by a doctor. When the patient was on the road to recovery, and medical treatment discontinued, the mob would administer the arsenic. Then the doctor, called back hastily, would attribute the death to a relapse. <sup>Same illness.</sup> ~~and the doctor would suppose the victim had succumbed to the malady he genuinely knew the patient had suffered from~~



Finally, one doctor became suspicious. And now the arsenic insurance gang faces some exceedingly drastic justice.



PRISONER

Down in Wolfe County, Kentucky, Clifford Peck ran a tavern, and Oldaf Arnett was one of his customers. A girl performer was doing a tap dance one night, when Arnett pulled a pistol and fired a few shots at her feet to make her step livelier.

Manager

"Down where I come from," said Cliff, "gentlemen don't do that!" Whereupon he pulled his own

gun and In the shooting match that followed, Arnett was killed. A girl's feet were his proper target!  
~~to two gun man he did better shooting at a girl's feet~~

Cliff was arrested, tried and sentenced to twenty-one years in prison. Shortly after that - he walked out of jail.

That's the way his escape is described - he just walked out. And,

he walked down the line and picked up Etta Phipps. He knew Etta.-

A few months previous he <sup>had</sup> killed Etta's brother. And so he eloped  
~~So anyway, no idea~~

with Etta, ~~and~~ They got to Pittsburgh where they were picked up

by the cops, who notified the authorities back in Wolfe County.

The thing to do according to law was for a party of

deputies to go to Pittsburgh and get Cliff. ~~back~~ The trouble was

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that two parties of deputies were formed. It's like this:-  
the jailor of the local calaboose is Henry Tibbs, but Henry  
leased out the jail. That's because he's kept so busy as a  
circuit riding preacher. To<sup>o</sup> much preaching and hallelujahing  
to run the jail. So he leased the hoosegow to Elmer Clark.

And now both Elmer and Preacher Tibbs formed each a party of  
deputies, <sup>to</sup> bring~~ing~~ Cliff ~~back~~ Peck back to Wolfe County.

The deputies Elmer chose to accompany him were his two brothers,  
keeping it in the family. The deputies Preacher Tibbs selected  
to accompany ~~him~~ were Wellington and Virgil Arnett, father and  
brother respectively of the ~~man~~ <sup>Arnett had</sup> Cliff killed. A bit of a family  
<sup>too.</sup> angle there. ~~Rather peculiar if not menacing!~~

Today both sets of deputies were in Pittsburgh claiming  
the prisoner. And Preacher Tibbs admitted to the Pittsburgh  
cops that if Cliff were turned over to himself and the father  
and brother of the man Cliff killed - anything might happen on  
the way back. The Pittsburgh cops, with the wisdom of Solomon,  
sent Cliff away in the custody of the other ~~gi~~ group of deputies.



So presumably Cliff will get back to the Wolfe County Jail alive.

None of them paid any attention to Cliff's girl Etta, whose brother Cliff killed. Presumably she is having to pay her own carfare back to Wolfe County:

Paul Webb, the hill billy cartoonist should make a picture of that.



EMBEZZLEMENT

For six years a neighborhood in Memphis, Tennessee, had an ideal milkman. That will have plenty of meaning for housewives who have suffered from forgetful milkmen, noisy, and discourteous milkmen. Louis Hodges was perfection, never a complaint against him, and he never missed a day's work in all his six years as a milkman.

Today he was arrested - identified as Grover M. Yowell, one-time Vice-President of the Security National Bank of Paducah, Texas, and wanted by the police for embezzling seventy-five thousand dollars of the bank's funds. So Memphis, <sup>Tennessee,</sup> loses its ideal milkman. *Am*

*the Texas town gets back its farmer bank vice-president - with a constabulary escort.*

BANDITS

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At Oakland, California, the police recovered a stolen automobile and in it they found a schoolboy's report card. The report card was very bad, showed nothing above a C and was mostly D. That lad was not so hot in his studies. The cops investigated him **and found** that he had stolen the car. Not only that, he was a member of a gang of schoolboy bandits, seven of them. They had been up to all sorts of robberies, stealing and burglar~~ies~~<sup>y</sup>. And further investigation show~~s~~<sup>d</sup> that all their report cards were bad, with C's and mostly D's, too busy burglar~~ing~~<sup>ing</sup> to keep up with their studies.

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*And now, another D. This time from Prof. John Law.*



DENTIST

Now here comes the height of thievery. At Pittsburgh, Dr. Frank <sup>X</sup> Wood, a dentist, did some tooth pulling at the Allegheny County Jail. He treated nine patients, yanking molars, filling cavities, and grinding away toothache. When he was through with the nine patients, he discovered his pocket had been picked, the money missing - four dollars! And that's the height of thievery - picking the dentist's pocket while having a tooth pulled. Just imagine, as the <sup>doc</sup> ~~dentist~~ yanks at that moment and you're full of agony, you slide your hand in his pocket and take his four dollars. *And e-l-u-t-m.*

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