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GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY:

A loud and raucus No was spoken in London today. Ivan, the big Bolshevik, told Uncle Sam: - "No, Uncle Sam's plan was would never do."

At the world conference on wheat, Lubinoff, the spokesman for Soviet RMXXXXXX Russia, declared that Russia would not accept the ideas outlined yesterday by the American delegate.

The American viewpoint is that there is too much wheat being grown in the world, and the production of grain ought to be decreased.

According to the Associated Press, the Russians refuse to enter any scheme of curtailing wheat production, but offer to fall in with a plan sponsored by Poland and Australia. This is to form a world wide wheat combination to handle the distribution of grain.

The American delegate, on the other hand, announced that Uncle Sam will not enter any international wheat pool.

With ideas so much at variance,

1 as far apart as the North Pole and the 2 South Pole, it seems as if that big wheat conference might have a little difficulty in working out a harmonious program.

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The problem of Russia is being 2 discussed a good deal these days. A 3 cable to the New York Sun quotes a 4 delegate to the League of Nations at 5 Geneva as saying that Soviet Russia was 6 maxxxxxx no menace at all.

The Soviet Five Year Plan. 8 declares this delegate, is not a 9 triumph of socialism. It is a triumph 10 of capitalism - meaning that capitalistic 11 and not socialistic methods are being 12 used in that famous industrial drive 13 of the Bolsheviks.

The opinion is expressed that all the talk about Soviet dumping is largely just so much conversation. There is always somebody who has something 18 to explain and does it by pointing at the big boogey-man - Soviet Dumping.

It is pointed out that for 21 years to come Russia will have to be in a position of buying a lot more than she can sell.

On the other hand, the New 25 York Evening Post is printing a

that Russian goods are being dumped on the European markets at an alarming rate, and that there is danger that the flood of cheap Russian products will crowd the merchandise of other nations right out of the European markets.

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The by the way, do you are

that lonely fellow standing there all by himself?— that's Germany at the disarmament conference. It seems that the Teutons have a few ideas with which nobody else agrees.

According to the Associated Press, these ideas are that in taking up the subject of disarmament the League of Nations should also take up not merely the subject of actual armies, but also those of reserve troops and war materials. The military nations of Europe have reserved military forces amounting to millions of men.

According to the Associated Press, Foreign Minister Curtius of Germany, urged that reserve forces and war materials should be included in reports on armament. France and England opposed. Italy had been standing with Germany, but Italy too opposed. And that left the Germans all alone. The it looks as though they won't include reserves and war material in official reports on armaments.

There was an emotional scene in a French courtroom this afternoon. The trial of Mrs. Nixon-Nirdlinger, for the killing of her husband, came to a dramatic climax. The prize-winning beauty, known to fame as "Miss St. Louis" before she married the Philadelphia theatrical man, wept as she testified.

There were dramatics galore.

Things got more and more emotional as they approached the tense moment when the verdict in the case was given. The United Press tells us that the verdict was just what has been expected. Mrs. Nixon-Nirdlinger was declared "Not Guilty".

And that ends a case that has been the talk of France for months.

The city of Lisbon, Portugal was shaken by an earthquake today. Two severe shocks were felt and there was a loud rumbling from the interior of the earth.

In spite of the heavy tremor, the damage was slight.

And, according to both the United Press and the International

News Service, no casualties were reported.

But this quake comes as a reminder of that disastrous
Lisbon earthquake of 1755 in which some 40,000 people lost their
lives.

Across the Atlantic, In Mexico, a violent shock was felt at the city of Oxaca. According to the Associated Press, the people were desperately frightened, but no great danger seems to have done. You can scarcely blame the people of Oxaca for falling into a panic, because back in January of this year a terrific earthquake destroyed half of the city.

Word from Spain seems to indicate that the Spanish republican government is determined to put the quietus on the church burning idea once and for all.

In the city of Malaga mseveral men were put on trial, before a court martial, for setting fire to religious buildings during the church burning riots of a week ago. The Associated Press informs us that the court martial gave one man a sentence of life imprisonment, and long prison terms to a couple of others.

Meanwhile, in the village of Taffala, a troop of radicals set fire to the local church. But the country people gathered in force and drove off the church burners. Then they put out the fire before much damage had been done.

I guess we'll have to half-mast the flag this evening--that is, so far as the game of golf is concerned. The American hope in the British Amateur Golf championship matches is now a vanished hope.

George Voit, the brilliant New York golfer who had swept easily through the first four matches, was eliminated this afternoon in a highly dramatic round, matches

He played young Sydney Roper of England. This is the chap who gave Bobby Jones such a hard tussle last year, when Bobby won the English championship.

According to the International
News Service, it looked for a while as
if Voit were a sure winner. On the
18th green he was two up on Roper, and
the Englishman's cause looked desperate.
But from then on it was tense and
thrilling play. In the face of defeat
the young Englishman rose to the topmost
heights of golf. He outplayed the

American, and won. out. When the match was through he was one up on Voit.

As all the other Americans except Voit had been eliminated, this afternoon's game automatically puts Uncle Samm out of the running.

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They say China is going dance mad. Tirst the big seaports on the coast, like Shanghai, got the mania for fox trotting, but now it has spread to the old city of Peiping, the capital of the flowery kingdom.

The United Press tells us that the slant-eyed lads and lasses of the ancient land are stepp ing day and night to the strange American jazz. Night clubs are opening by the flock, and they are a boon for the old time sing-song girls, the girls who are something like the geishas of Japan.

The sing-song girls have taken to the new dancing ways as readily as the proverbial fish takes to water. They have become dancehall hostesses. In other words, the sing-song girl has become a full fledged up-to-date ten-cents-a-dance-girl.

And the nights are getting gayer and gayer along the romantic China coast.

Here's another story of a lost explorer in the Arctic.

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Well, the enemy is advancing to attack a number of United States army posts. It looks as if quite a few military centers or embattled forts in various parts of the country were about to be captured and put out of commission.

And the United States Army, the defender of its country, is not rushing to the defense. In fact, the military forces of the country are not doing a thing to rescue the army posts and forts. It's the politicians who are rushing to the defense.

They are the ones who are doing their patriotic duty. The gallant politicians are crying: Shoot if you must this old grey head, but do not touch these army posts and forts!

The big warlike drama concerns the order given by

President Hoover to abolish a number of military stations. That's

one way to cut down expenses, and the President has decided upon

a policy of economy.

Well, they're military posts, all right, but quite a few people call them political posts. At any rate so says an article in the new

Literary Digest, which will be out tomorrow. They're political posts because the only reason for keeping them is to please the local population, and, consequently, the local Congressmen and Senators.

An army post at Hedgehog Corners brings some money into the community; it adds to the importance of Hedgehog Corners; and possibly keeps real estate values a little higher than they would ordinarily be.

The Digest quotes the Baltimore
Sun was saying:--"Nearly all mammaismentain
considerations of military efficiency
point to the desirability of eliminating
many of the 190 establishments. It's
largely the insistence of Senators and
Representatives, obeying local politicians,
that has prevented this re-arrangement
of our military units long ago."

Then there's the matter of the sentimental interest of old army posts established during the Indian wars, and made famous by heroism and self-sacrifice.

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There's an outcry when it's pumpument proposed to abolish so sacred an heirloom of a glorious past.

The Literary Digest gives us a few sage remarks from the Washington Post on that subject, and speaks of an old fort established on the frontier in the days of Indian wars. It might have such a sentimental value that the member of Congress, in whose district it was located, would talk himself purple to keep it from being scrapped.

The President himself has come to bat with a snappy retort. He suggests that if the local folks have such a sentimental interest in their army postm, why of course they could use the old fortm for some historic and public purpose. In other words, they could take over the fort themselves -- meaning that they could pay for the upkeep too.

On the other hand, as the Digest points out, there are some people who think that the abolition of the useless army posts won't save very much money and

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is mostly intended for publicity and ballyhoo.

But, just the same, it would appear as if the army didn't want the needless posts, and that the opposition to their abolition will be mostly political.

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Well, the report todays is that things, things, seem to be picking up a 2 bit. Thirty cities all over the country report better business. The information 4 is given out by the President's Hoover's Emergency Employment Committee in 6 Washington. For instance: -

Indianapolis, Indiana, reports a 4% increase in employment.

From Denver, Colorado, comes word that 500 men have just gone back to work in the Colorado mines.

In Nashville, Tennessee, 6½% more men were employed in April than in 14 March.

Memphis, Tennessee, reports that trade conditions are becoming more stable.

And, according to a story on the financial page of the New York American, unemployment in New York has decreased.

These are only a few instances out of a great many which go to make up a picture of slight but general business improvement throughout the country.

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A huge swarm of airplanes was seen in Illinois skies this afternoon. The great armada of the air, which is to hold it a series of spectacular maneuvers over various cities, took off, from Fairfield airport at Dayton, and headed for Chicago.

Over the Windy City they divided into five sections and landed in five Chicago airports.

According to the United Press, the big show will be tomorrow, when the fleet of planes will hold a great sky demonstration over Chigago.

Meanwhile, this evening there keep lenty of work around the hangars as the boys are looking over their machines and getting ready for tomorrow's big show.

An interesting and adventurous churchman is back at home this evening, after a rather rough experience. He is Bishop Roscow Sheddan, of the Nassau diocese of the Church of England.

Bishop Sheddan's diocese consists of the numerous islands and sandbars of the Bahamas. He goes around from one parish to another in a yacht.

According to the Associated Press, his boat, the <u>Livonia</u>, was caught in a squall and hit a reef off mm the island of Plana. The craft went down in ten minutes.

with him, got safely onto the island. So did the members of the crew, with the exception of the captain. He dived into the water to try and recover some of the party's belongings from the sunken ship, was drowned.

The island is a remote, uninhabited reef. And the Bishop, his sister, and the other survivors stayed there for three days. They had no food except a

until a rescue party came and took them

off.

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Here's an unusual guestion: -

The question now arises:

How many lectures on Patagonian fossils does it take to make an organization cultural and scientific? In Chicago a Federal judge is going to have to answer that puzzle.

University of Chicago is in court trying to get a refund of \$9200, from the government. The government collected that much money from the boys as taxes, claiming that sis merely a social organization. The boys declare that their club is a cultural institution and, therefore, should not have to pay taxes. They state that its purpose is the cultivation of learning in scientific subjects.

But the government points out that if you look at the calendar of social events of the Quadrangle Club for a year, you will find that the cultural part of it consists of three lectures on fossils in Patagonia, while on the other hand there have been bridge parties

and dances too numerous to mention.

So, according to the Associated Press, it's up to the judge to say whether three lectures on Patagonian fossils are sufficient to make the Quadrangle Club a cultural institution.

And now with that knotty problem to solve I'll bid you goodnight and,

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.