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There's big news tonight. President Hoover has appointed a new cabinet officer, - a new secretary of labor to succeed secretary James J. Davis. served as secretary of labor si noe 1921, and under three presidents -- Harding Coolidge and Hoover.

I read some wise words today about the international problem that exists out in Palestine, the problem that is causing much worry these deys to the British, to the Arabs, and to the Jews of the world. The words of wisdom were spoken by Rabindrinath Tagore, the famous poet and philosopher of India. And, Tagore is truly a wise men. In en interview with Joseph Brainin of the Seven Arts Feature Syndicate, Tagore said thet the British Government really isn't so much involved in the tangle over there in the Holy Land after all. True, the British are in control of Palestine, but those cabinet ministers and the parliament in London will not have the finel sey about the success of the Zionist movement. Tagore says its success will depend on the Jews and the Arabs, that is, on their ability to come together on a friendly basis.

## Meenwhile, some of the leading spirits among Jews

over here are arranging a mass meeting which will express the enthusiasm of the American Jew for the Zionist cause. It will voice the demand thet the British keep their promise of providing the Jew with a homeland in Palestine. The meeting will be held
in New York. It will be called a Naccabbean Festival, in memory of the Maccabees of the Bible, those stout-hearted Jews of old, who under the leadershio of Judas Maccabeus, fought with epic brevery $\mathbf{x i}$ for Jewish freedom two thousand years ago.

And now I want to make a protest.

Al though twelve years have passed we all remember those red poppies of Flanders, the ones the poets pang about during the War? Well, according to a report issued by - Science Service, those romantic red poppies are not weeds.

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The toughest Chicago gangster 2 has surrendered. He didn't have to do it 3 either. He was where he was lite safe. 4 But he surrendered anyhow. Here is the story.

Joe Saltis is the name of the fugitive gangster who has given himself 8 up. Saltis has been described as the a "cruelest gangster in Chicago." For some 10 time now he has been on Chicago $\rightleftharpoons$ ighech

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In every issue of the Literary 2uigest there's a brief questionaire. ${ }^{3}$ The heading ot this questionaire is:WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABUUT THAT? Then follows a series of interesting questions, and tinally a line telling you to turn $\boldsymbol{x}$ Oण to page so-and-so of the digest. for Those questions always excite my curiosity, and I generally read through rattling good story about football in the South. The first thing I saw was a name? It was "Catfish" Smith. "Catfish" Smith is one of those georgia human battering rams
who did plenty to Yale early this season.

There was another query in that Digest questionaire that caught my eye. Here it is? Of what national stock is the average Bowery derelict? I looked up the answer, and got a surprise. What was it? Well, I'll tell you the answer tomorrow night. Meanwhile you make your guess or if you can't wait just take a peek at this week's Literary Digest.

But hold everything here comes my big football story tonight. Fans throughout America eagerly await the annurl selection of the All America Eleven made by the New York Sun. The sports editors and football advisers who make the selection for the Sun finished picking that All America Eleven late this afternoon. Just a few moments ago the list of names on this year's honor roll was handed to me by one of the editors. So I am fortunate enough to be the first to tell you just who the lucky men are. Here is that New York Sun All America team:

| Frank Baker | Northwestern University | Left End |
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| Glenn Edwards | Washington State College | Left Tackle |
| Barton Koch | Baylor University (Texas) | Left Guard |
| Ben Ticknor | Harvard | Center |
| John Baker | Southern California | Right Guard |
| Fred Sington | University of Alabama | Right Tackle |
| Wesley Fesler | Ohio State | Right End |
| Frenk Cerideo | Notre Dame | Quarterback |

Well, that's the big team, now let's see what's going on abroad.

Two important Italian officials have been sentenced to five years exile in a penal colony. One of them is Belloni, former Governor of Milan, who was charged with graft; and the other is Belotti, formerly undersecretary of the Treasury. The Associated Press says that both were regarded as enemies of Mussolini.

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And here is an item concerning that notorious French penal colony-Devil's Island. The French convict ship Martiniere is leaving the island of $R e$ on the west coast of France today to collect its carge--a cargo of human beings--convicts to be taken to Devil's由 and $1 s l$ and for $1 i f e$ imprisonment. According to the United Press, the convict ship goes first to the French colony of IndoChina, and there it will collect a group of doomed men. on the way back it will pick up more of them in North Africa.

有 it Another batch in France, and then, will start across the Atlantic to Devil's |sland, that desolate colony of the condemned off the northern coast of South America.
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There's a new dramatic surprise in that sensational trial over in Russia. According to the Associated Press, all of the eight eng ineers and professors on trial for their lives have now testified. The last of the eight told the same story as the first--how they had secretly worked against the Soviet Government. But there was one

10 difference in those eight stories. When 11 the fifth of the witnesses started to repeat thoreharges of an international conspiracy, with France as the chief
instigator, the presiding judge told ${ }_{\text {a him }}$ not to make any direct charges against friendly governments. Why did the judge say that? Well, the French Government has been protesting against the way the French have been accused in that trial, and the French protests seem to haven in the desired effect. The next stage of the trial will be a series of private hearings at which the story of the
${ }^{24}$ international plot will be cont inced. Evidently weill get nothing but rumors about that.

That night shirt controversy has attracted a bit of attention. I made a guess the other night that there were a lot of men who preferred the old fashioned night shirt to pajamas, and now I have a flock of letters here, all of which are emphatically, enthusiastically and fanatically for the night shirt.

Harry Morio, of Philadelphia, writes that he has never stooped to the indignity of anything so high hat as pajamas. He adds proudly that he has worn night shirts for nigh on two score and seven years.

But H. S. Creighton, of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, is the champion of the night shirt brigade. In fact, he grows lyrical on the subject, and in his enthusiasm he bursts into verse. Here is the plaintive ditty that he sends me:

## NIGHT SHIRT - 2.

How dear to my heart are the shirts of my childhood;
please take those pajamas away from my view.
They're on ty fit duds for a trip through the wildwood.
So, gimme the $n$ ight shirt my infancy knew--
The old flannel night shirt,
The cotton bound night shirt, The moss-backed old nightshirt, That hangs on so well.

So, Mr. Creighton is hereby dubbed poet laureate of the Grand and Exalted Order of the Ancient Knights of the Night shirt.

NEWS LIEN_
saw Casey Jones today. Casey, you know, is one of the most famous of American aviators-atanyrate think he's the jolliest. Everybody in aviation
5 knows Casey. Well, Casey pointed out a 6 little aviation story in all of the waw 7 evening papers. It was an Associated press dispatch from the West, and l'm picking it as the News Item of the Day. The story is about Gerald Nettleton, who is just a youngster. He started out to beat the junior record for coast to coast flights. Well, Gerald certainly did not establish the new junior record he was after. No, by the Great Horn Spoon, he did not. But be established another record, one that he wasn't after at all, and one that most aviators would just as soon pass up.

He started out from Newark, Now Jersey, and headed for the Pacific Coast. And he nearly got there. He was above Pine Valley, California, when he ran into about the dirtiest weather a flying man could want to keep away from. It was

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weather as thick as soupy, alternate rain, fog, and snow. The youngster couldn't see ten feet ahead. And it was so cold that even the instruments froze. He tried to fly his way out, but couldn't. The plane was U.K., the motor running smoothly. it was just the weather, the blind soupy sky, and mountains all around. The plane up 10,000 feet.

At last, Gerald decided it was time to do something about it. So he let go the controls, leaned out, and just rolled off into space. He jerked the ring attached to the rip cord, the parachute opened, and down through the rain and sleet and snow he floated for nearly two miles, down, down to earth. Meanwhile the plane crashed, but Gerald got nary a scratch.

Well, the kid certainly failed to beat the junior trans-continental record, but he has another one instead. He's the youngest member of the mam Caterpillar Club. The Caterpillar Club,

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you know, consists of aviators who have had to make parachute jumpsto save their skims. And, by the way, here's an interesting aviation item in this week's Literary Digest. In both Europe and Australia airplanes on commercial runs are being x man equipped with powerful searchlights, so that they will be able to signal to railroad trains. The Digest quote ${ }_{\wedge}^{5}$ Popular Mechanics Magazine in saying that the idea is that if a plane is in difficulty, the pilot will swing over to a railway line and signal a train by flashing those powerful searchlight beams. The train will stop. The plane will land. And then the plane will transfer its passengers and freight to the train.

That Spanish aviator, Commander Franco--the bird who flew the coop in Madrid the other day--well, he got out of Spain 0. K. The International News Service cables that a Madrid newspaper has received a message from Franco in which he announces his safe arrival in Brussels. No one seems to know just how he got there, but evidently he flew there by night.
Here's another thriller: Over in Germany, at Hamburg, they were having an animal performance in the famous Hagenback Zoo. A trainer was putting two tigers through their paces. One of the tigers, a female, suddenly sprang at him. The tigress pinned him against the wall, and was snarling at his throat. The other tiger, a male, was different. He was faithful to the trainer. He sprang upon the female, just as she was about to rip the trainer to shreds. With a snap of his jaws, the tiger broke his mate's neck.

Over in Paterson, New Jersey, a movie house advertised a film for women only. The girl usher noticed a smartly dressed women in the audience. Her gown and hat were the last word in style. But her feet -- well, that usher wasn't so dumb. She was used to ladies who would never have a chance tm of doing $\varepsilon$ Cinderella act. But all the same, she never had seen feminine feet quite as big as the dogs on this dame. They were not feet. As the sports writers would say they were canal boats. So the bright little usheress un and called a policeman. Yes, and her suspicions proved entirely correct. That would-be lady, says the New York Telegram, proved to be a man whose curiosity was about as big as his feet. He tried to explain, but the policeman told him to tell it to the judge.

Well, talking about feet, I know one pair that's ready to start traveling. I think I'll put on my roller skates now and light out for home.

