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ROOSEVELT

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The Washington, <sup>during</sup> ~~scene for~~ the next few months, so we hear, <sup>will grow</sup> ~~is going to be~~ quieter <sup>and quieter.</sup> ~~less spectacular.~~ The gossip is that President Roosevelt <sup>intends to keep</sup> ~~is going to back~~ out of the limelight and let Congress have the center of the stage. ~~without competition.~~ The President has decided on a "hands off" policy. <sup>And no</sup> ~~There'll be no~~ pressure on Congress from the White House to rush through the New Deal measures. <sup>R</sup> Though not expressed in so many words, Mr. Roosevelt's <sup>thought is said to be:-</sup> ~~feeling in effect is in effect~~ "I've done my part in proposing certain policies. If Congress prefers to abandon or delay them, the blame will lie on the record of the Congress and not on the record of the President."

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The reason <sup>for this</sup> ~~we~~ understand, is that Mr. Roosevelt feels ~~that~~ the pressure of emergency has let up, <sup>Therefore</sup> ~~and that he's~~ <sup>Congress should carry on as it wishes,</sup> ~~going to attend to his own knitting and see how Congress gets along~~ ~~on its own.~~

T.V.A.

*Much of the talk in*  
~~One of the principal sources of~~ Washington *today concerns*  
~~gossip today is~~

the row in the T.V.A. Board. Dr. Arthur Morgan, Chairman of the Board, former President of Antioch College and Chairman of the Board, is clamoring loudly for a congressional investigation.

Critics claim that the Administration is stalling, that Democratic leaders in the House want to let the quarrel drift until it simmers down. Representative Snell, Republican leader of the House, now joins his voice to Dr. Arthur Morgan's. "Let's have a full and searching investigation into all operations of the T.V.A.," said he.

Speaking on the floor of the House, he cried: "I don't believe the majority of the House can overlook the demands for an investigation."

There have been hints that if such a show is staged in Washington, it will provide a sensation second only to Teapot Dome.

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ARNOLD

Professor Arnold of Yale is <sup>likely</sup> ~~quite willing~~ to be the successor of Robert H. Jackson in the Department of Justice. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ He has accepted the nomination ~~was~~ chief trust buster for the government. But, that doesn't necessarily mean that he'll get it. The Senate has to give its okay and there are <sup>rumors of a</sup> ~~indications that it~~ ~~will at least not be unanimous~~ <sup>storm brewing.</sup>

A ~~strong~~ rumble of disapproval <sup>comes</sup> ~~was heard~~ from the right wing of the Democratic senators. Senator King of Utah has a "rod in <sup>the</sup> ~~pickle~~" for the Yale professor in case it turns out that Dr. Arnold is a business baiter. Says the conservative Utah senator: "I'm going to look into Arnold's background most carefully. We ~~have~~ already <sup>have</sup> too many officials with a Socialistic taint." And he added: "I had hoped that the President would appoint a well qualified man favorable to our form of government. "

So it looks as though the senators <sup>have a busy week</sup> will ~~be put to the~~ ~~necessity of~~ studying Professor Arnold's book, <sup>entitled</sup> ~~it's called~~ "The Folklore of Capitalism," <sup>which</sup> ~~and~~ contains many biting criticisms of the American economic system. <sup>Some say</sup> ~~According to one account,~~ Professor Arnold is "even tougher than Jackson."

ISLANDS

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President Roosevelt's claim of those two Pacific islands has not the slightest warlike tinge to it. So reads a statement released at the White House today. Uncle Sam wants ~~those little~~ <sup>the two</sup> atolls, ~~named~~ Canton and Enderbury, as bases for commercial aviation and nothing more.

And, there won't be any ~~serious~~ difficulty with John Bull over the ownership of those ~~little~~ dots on the map. <sup>So</sup> ~~That~~ we learn from London today. <sup>A spokesman who knows declares</sup> ~~A dignitary well qualified to know, said there~~ shouldn't be any trouble settling <sup>the</sup> ~~that~~ question <sup>will be settled</sup> ~~in the most~~ ~~friendly fashion~~ happily. Apparently Uncle Sam

~~As a matter of fact, all this has been taken for granted.~~  
took this for granted,

Already, the Coast Guard Cutter TANEY has left Honolulu to take

possession of <sup>e</sup> ~~those~~ islands. <sup>Aboard are</sup> ~~She carries~~ American citizens who will

<sup>And</sup> ~~start~~ living there. <sup>And</sup> In her hold ~~also~~ are building materials and

plans for establishing living quarters, <sup>airplane repair shops</sup> ~~and other public improvements.~~

and so on.



STAMPS

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Here's one for the attention of stamp collectors. Postmaster General Farley is again going to show himself the best living friend of the philatelists. Yes, <sup>more new</sup> ~~several new series of~~ stamps. There will be no fewer than thirty-one; <sup>among them</sup> ~~They will include~~ four-and-a-half cent stamps, eighteen, thirty-five and forty cent <sup>ones. And they will</sup> ~~They will~~ commemorate bygone presidents in chronological order.

Also, George Washington's face will disappear from the <sup>ubiquitous</sup> three cent stamp, <sup>to</sup> ~~will~~ be replaced by Thomas Jefferson. And there's one <sup>to</sup> ~~startle you-maybe.~~ <sup>interesting departure.</sup> One stamp will carry the head of a woman, Martha Washington. That will be the one-and-a-half cent stamp. Old Ben Franklin, who founded our postal system, will be on the ~~one~~ half cent issue. The only ex-president whose face will not adorn a stamp is Mr. Hoover, presumably because he <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ still alive. Calvin Coolidge is on the five dollar series.

## SUPREME COURT

Today the United States Supreme Court did a most unusual thing. The nine high justices reversed a previous decision of their own court. By a vote of five to two the Justices decided that the Government can tax profits from oil lands leased from either the Federal Government or from any of the states.

Another of the court's decisions is bad news for Mr. Charles E. Mitchell once Chairman of the Board of the National City Bank. You will remember, many of you, that in 1933 Mr. Mitchell, was tried on a charge of having defrauded Uncle Sam. The jury acquitted him. But the Internal Revenue slapped a Three hundred and sixty-four thousand dollar fraud penalty on him. Mr. Mitchell appealed it, said this was irrevocable since the jury had acquitted him. Says the Supreme Court today: "This is ~~xi~~ a civil case, Mr. Mitchell must pay."



PHILBIN

Five years ago, a gentleman in Wall Street made a ~~big~~ killing. He was the head of a syndicate dealing in a stock that <sup>was run up</sup> ~~ran~~ from six dollars to thirty-four-and-a-half a share. His share of the profit was a hundred and seventy thousand dollars. So he decided to call it a day and start on a three year trip around the world. He had a grand time seeing life, hunting lions with maharajahs in India, hobnobbing with the great and near-great all around the globe.

Meanwhile, Uncle Sam was looking for him. Post Office inspectors investigated that syndicate. And what they found resulted in a charge that Uncle Sam's mail had been wrongfully used to procure the rise of that stock from six dollars to thirty-four and a half a share. The young man, however, continued hunting big game with maharajahs, <sup>apparently all</sup> ~~blissfully~~ unconscious that he was wanted by the <sup>watch</sup> ~~bulldogs~~ of the Postal Department. <sup>But,</sup> When he came back, he was arrested, tried, convicted. Today he was sentenced to eighteen months in prison. <sup>allowe</sup> ~~but~~ The court ~~gave~~ him two weeks to wind up his affairs before he starts to serve his time.

<sup>From the palaces</sup> ~~It's nice to be the friend~~ of maharajahs <sup>to a U. S. jail.</sup> ~~But even that~~  
~~doesn't cut any ice with Uncle.~~

## FLOOD

Those floods in California have cost more than fifty-two million dollars. That includes losses to communities and to individual residents. This news comes from Governor Merriam of California. *The Governor has* ~~He has~~ appealed to President Roosevelt for help, ~~out of Uncle Sam's pockets~~. Says the Governor: "California faces relief and reconstruction problems that reach proportions of a major disaster."

But there's a possibility that in one part of the stricken region the flood may pay for itself. In Santa Monica Canon, near Los Angeles, some people have been digging their homes out of the mud they were buried in. *And to* ~~to~~ their surprise and excitement, they found specs of free gold in the refuse. Samples were shown to mining experts, who estimate that it may assay as high as a dollar and a half or two dollars a ton, *enough to make placer mining - dredging - pay.*



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PLANE

Search parties are still hunting <sup>and hunting</sup> ~~laboriously~~ for that missing plane in <sup>the</sup> California <sup>mountains.</sup> ~~So far~~ <sup>So far</sup> it has been ~~all~~ in vain.

As we heard last week, two of the missing passengers were on their way from Stanford University to Ohio to see their father on his sick bed. Their father died today. ~~of a heart ailment.~~

He was only fifty-five years old <sup>and he passed away without knowing</sup> ~~He was never told~~ that the plane with his son and daughter aboard was missing.



## DEATH RAY

Ever since a novel by H.G. Wells, "The War of the Worlds", people have been speculating about the possibility of a death ray machine. Today we hear that two research engineers have developed a death ray. But, it's not to bring death to human beings. On the contrary; it's to save them. The ray is a death ray for microbes.

It is hoped and believed that it will provide a new attack on

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*Their hope - still just a hope - is that it*  
influenza and pneumonia. ~~It~~<sub>^</sub> may even solve the problem of the

common cold, the most troublesome and difficult of all ~~diseases~~<sub>^</sub> *ailments.*

*TP* This new ray technique ~~was~~<sub>^</sub> *has been* developed by two of the scientists in the Westinghouse laboratories. It took them five years to do it.

The ray and its technique will ~~be~~<sub>^</sub> *now* demonstrated and explained to some thousand ~~men~~<sub>^</sub> *57* of science, and, public health officials.

JAPAN

Here's a hot one from Tokyo. The Japanese magnificoes are distressed because the American people apparently are not aware of the evils of Communism. So said Foreign Minister Hirota to the Japanese members of Parliament today. However, let us take heart and be of good cheer. When the American people awaken to this evil, Japan will be ready and willing to help us out. The Japanese government will start conversations with the United States and other governments looking toward what Mr. Hirota ~~xxxxxxx~~ describes as the "diffusion of the anti-communism spirit in all nations. "

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The announcement was greeted with an unofficial smile in Washington. The American attitude toward such a proposal is that if Communism ever became a serious issue in these United States, we ~~probably~~ might be able to cope with it ~~xxxxxxx~~ without help from the other side of the Pacific.



## Meanwhile in China

~~Another desperate battle in China is at hand.~~ Marshal Chiang Kai-shek <sup>is</sup> ~~has~~ <sup>for</sup> prepared what is described as his last stand. He has built a line of defense bristling with steel and concrete ~~fortification~~ fortifications. According to a cable from Hankow, this line of defense has been in preparation for several years. Secretly, the Chinese have been anticipating the Japanese attack through North China ever since the seizure of Manchuria.

The Chinese ~~hope and believe~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~that this will show the~~ Japanese invaders <sup>will now meet</sup> the most stubborn resistance <sup>so far.</sup> ~~they have met up~~ ~~with as yet.~~ Marshal Chiang's defenses are from ten to twenty-five miles deep. ~~And behind them he has a reserve force of a hundred~~ <sup>with a</sup> ~~thousands~~ hundred and fifty thousand of his crack troops ~~are~~ mobilized for the front line, and a reserve force of another hundred thousand.

LONDON

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It has been almost twenty years since we heard the grim phrase: "Spend until it hurts." Those were the harrowing, anxious days of the Great War. The phrase was heard <sup>again</sup> today in the English House of Commons. Englishmen must be prepared to spend for armaments "until it hurts," said Prime Minister Chamberlain.

The Prime Minister told the Commons that John Bull's decision to rearm has already had its effect. It has had a sobering effect on world opinion," said he. And he went on to say that if his negotiations with the dictators are not successful, Britain will arm to "almost terrifying power." And if other breeds of government threaten the liberty of the British people, <sup>Britain</sup> ~~they~~ will use that power — ~~use it~~ go to war. <sup>But</sup> ~~And~~ that is not all. <sup>If necessary</sup> ~~If the worst happens~~ that seven and a half billion dollar British armament program <sup>will</sup> ~~may~~ be only a hint of the stupendous sum ~~actually to be spent by~~ John Bull <sup>will spend to</sup> make the world safe for democracy.



## PALESTINE

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A couple of months ago, an American citizen, born in Palestine, went back to his native land. He's an Arab, but a Christian. He went back to the Holyland to marry the sweetheart of his childhood days. He took with him his American automobile, with New York State license plates. On January Sixteenth, he drove his car to Jerusalem. A bomb was thrown and shattered a Jewish cafeteria in the Holy city. It was thrown from that American citizen's car.

Today, he's on trial for his life. In a tiny court room, twelve feet by twelve, he faces three judges of a British military court. He's accused of having been responsible for that bombing.

He has been under arrest ~~two~~ almost two months. But on February Fourth he was released on bail. He went to get his sweetheart and get married, ~~trial~~ or no trial. The girl's parents objected violently, wanted her to wait till the trial was over, but the lady overrode father and mother. "I know Geroge is innocent. I'm going to marry him," she said. And she did. So the bride, smiling but anxious, is waiting outside that courtroom.

The <sup>groom, age</sup> ~~young man, he's only~~ thirty-eight, <sup>says he has taken</sup> ~~said he had~~ no interest  
<sup>so</sup> whatever in the politics of the Holyland. <sup>merely</sup> ~~He~~ drove an acquaintance

into Jerusalem, he said, and was nowhere near the car at the time

the bomb was thrown. He's a graduate of Columbia University and <sup>has</sup>  
<sup>impressive</sup> produced ~~the best of~~ references. <sup>And his Palestinian</sup> ~~But he has to stand his trial~~

8 ~~just the same.~~ bride is sure he is not the  
one who threw the bomb in the City  
of Peace.



Greta Garbo is annoyed. And that's nothing to the way Leopold Stokowsky feels. They are <sup>virtual</sup> ~~almost like~~ prisoners in <sup>an</sup> ~~the~~ Italian villa near Ravello. <sup>Last night</sup> ~~where they've been staying,~~ They tried to make a getaway. <sup>Presumably a dash</sup> ~~last night. It's presumed that they were going to dash~~ off by car, to Turin. ~~That's where~~ Rumor says, ~~they're~~ to be married.

They were all packed last night, ready for a ~~quick~~ break.

58 1/2 But they sent <sup>set forth</sup> ~~a~~ servant ~~out~~ to see if the way was clear. She came

back with the news that there was a big bonfire blazing a little way down the road <sup>and</sup> Clustered around it ~~was~~ a group of newspaper men.

So the two famous ones unpacked once more and retired, ready to spend a longer siege. <sup>That's the story.</sup> # Anyhow

They <sup>apparently are</sup> ~~are~~ the targets <sup>for</sup> ~~not only~~ newspaper men but <sup>for</sup> hordes of tourists <sup>who have</sup> ~~from all over the world who've~~ descended upon

Ravello, anxious for a glimpse of the celebrated lovers. But all

59 they get is an occasional glimpse of Garbo in knickers and a <sup>blue</sup> ~~black~~ sweater, <sup>in the villa</sup> ~~walking about the~~ garden. It isn't safe to venture inside that garden as there are three <sup>big</sup> ~~husky Belgian sheep~~ dogs on guard.

59 1/2 They greet the approach of any stranger with bare teeth, raised hackles, <sup>and causing all visitors to say: -</sup> ~~and generally a most businesslike expression.~~

S-l-u-t-m.