

Good Evening, Everybody:

1           The ~~at~~ threat of trouble in  
2 Northern Ireland has quieted down <sup>today</sup> but  
3 there still are a few disturbing  
4 possibilities.

5           The Orangemen did not hold  
6 their big rally at Cootehill in the  
7 territory of the Irish Free State, near  
8 the border of Ulster, <sup>after all</sup>. They were  
9 prevented by a force of Irish  
10 Republicans <sup>who</sup> ~~They~~ marched in to Cootehill  
11 and fortified themselves <sup>by</sup> raising  
12 barracades along the roads and tearing up  
13 the railway. <sup>Yes</sup>, They kept the Orangemen  
14 from gathering in the town. They also  
15 held off a force of the <sup>Free State</sup> police, ~~of the~~  
16 ~~Free State Government in Dublin~~, but only  
17 for a while.

18           Today the Government forces  
19 marched into Cootehill. The Republicans  
20 took to their heels and fled to the hills.

21           A statement, ~~has been~~ issued  
22 by the Republican leaders, which ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup>  
23 quoted by the Associated Press, declares  
24 that the trouble was not a matter of  
25 religion at all. The Republicans say

1 they are strong for religious freedom  
2 and they only object to the meeting of  
3 the Orangemen for political reasons.  
4 The Orangemen, they claim, are  
5 representatives of England who want to  
6 keep Ireland divided. <sup>Meanwhile</sup> there  
7 is plenty of excitement <sup>along the Ulster</sup> ~~on the~~ border.  
8 A couple of people were beaten <sup>up</sup> in the  
9 course of an argument. Everybody is  
10 talking--and one of the most interesting  
11 topics of conversation is the fact that  
12 next Saturday the Ancient Order of  
13 Hibernians will hold its annual  
14 demonstrations. In the old days these  
15 used to be a signal for hostilities  
16 between the Orange and the Green.  
17 More recently the ceremonies have gone  
18 off quietly <sup>because</sup> ~~as~~ the old feeling <sup>seemed to have</sup> ~~has~~ died  
19 down.

20 <sup>However,</sup> This year <sup>as a result of</sup> it may be different.  
21 They ~~xx~~ say that ~~after~~ the Irish  
22 Republicans <sup>preventing this</sup> ~~put the kibosh on the~~  
23 gathering of the Orangemen <sup>on the Ulster border</sup> why the  
24 Orangemen are liable <sup>to retaliate and</sup> ~~to~~ make trouble  
25 when the big day of the Ancient Order of



1 Hibernians comes along.

2 However, the Free State Government  
3 seems <sup>determined</sup> ~~to think~~ that there <sup>shall not</sup> ~~shall~~ be any  
4 more of that old warfare between the  
5 Orange and the Green. Maybe they can  
6 stop it. At any rate we'll know in a few  
7 days.

1 There are rumors today that  
2 another distatorship may pass from the  
3 scene of European politics.

4 The kingdom of Yugoslavia has been  
5 under a distatorial government for  
6 some time now. King Alexander is not  
7 only the crown<sup>ed</sup> head but he is also the  
8 dictator.

9 Yugoslavia has been having trouble  
10 between the Serbs<sup>ians</sup> and ~~the~~ Croatian people  
11 of the territories that were annexed at  
12 the end of the World War. There were  
13 constant disturbances, and King Alexander  
14 put an end to constitutional government  
15 and made himself dictator in an effort to  
16 keep the lid on.

17 The New York Evening Post today  
18 declares that there are signs that next  
19 Sunday will be the end of that  
20 dictatorship and that King Alexander  
21 intends to resume once more his position  
22 as merely a constitutional monarch.  
23 They say that the way things have gone  
24 in Spain has given the King a strong hint.  
25 ~~He doesn't want to follow Alphonso~~  
~~hold and also that France believes that~~



1 Things are still seething in  
2 Cuba tonight. But the Government claims  
3 that it has the revolutionary situation  
4 well in hand.

5 President Machado made a swift  
6 trip today to the town of Santa Clara.  
7 The International News Service quotes  
8 him as explaining that his purpose ~~to~~ was  
9 to discuss peace with the rebels.

10 According to Government officials,  
11 revolutionists, including former  
12 President <sup>Maria</sup> Menocal, want to surrender  
13 if terms can be made ~~to~~ and ~~the~~ President  
*Machado* is there to make them.

15 The rebels have gathered in force  
16 in six provinces, particularly in the  
17 provinces of Santa Clara and <sup>Pinar</sup> Priner  
18 del Rio. There are said to be between  
19 80 and 90 separate detachments of  
20 rebels *under arms tonight.*

21 The Associated Press reports a  
22 big battle in the Province of <sup>Pinar</sup> ~~Priner~~  
23 del Rio in which there were 23 casualties.  
24 And there were a number of other  
25 skirmishes including a three-hour fight

1 *say haz del*  
2 at Cejas, ~~del~~ Negro, in which 15 men  
3 were killed.

4 Trouble has been brewing in Cuba  
5 for some time now, and the present  
6 situation seems to be the most serious  
7 thus far.  
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1 Well, there's one bit of ~~■~~x  
2 interesting drama that will not be played.  
3 People all over the world look forward  
4 ~~xx~~ with curiosity to the time when  
5 Mahatma Gandhi, known far and wide as  
6 "the little brown man in the loin cloth"  
7 would appear in London, to take part  
8 in the big conference on India which is  
9 soon scheduled to begin.

10 After a lot of talk and sparring  
11 around it was ~~■xxxxxxx~~ finally decided  
12 today that Gandhi will not go to London.  
13 He refused<sup>s</sup> to take any part in that  
14 conference.

15 The reason, ~~as the United Press~~  
16 ~~reminds~~ us, is that the Little Holy Man  
17 declares that the British authorities  
18 in India have not lived up to the peace  
19 treaty that he made with them.

20 Gandhi complains about several  
21 things, particularly about the way that  
22 British Indian officials have been  
23 collecting taxes from Hindu peasants.  
24 He protested to Lord Willingdon, the  
25 Viceroy of India, and asked that an

1 impartial tribunal be appointed to  
2 determine whether or not the Government  
3 has been living up to the Treaty it made  
4 with Gandhi.

5 This proposal was rejected by the  
6 Viceroy and that is why Gandhi has  
7 announced that he will not take part  
8 in the London conference.

9 The Indian National <sup>ist</sup> Party, of  
10 which Gandhi is the leader, has voted  
11 to abstain from any part in the big  
12 discussion.

13 Gandhi told a correspondent of  
14 the International News Service today  
15 that it was a great blow to him, ~~but~~ ~~that he~~  
16 ~~did not feel~~ that he could attend the  
17 conference. He declared that he wanted  
18 to and was sorry that the British had  
19 made it impossible.

20 He added that he had no immediate  
21 intention of starting his civil <sup>disobedience</sup> ~~disorders~~  
22 campaign again, but would just keep on  
23 trying to do something for peace.

24 No, he said he will not recommence  
25 his non-violent revolt against the



British in India unless he is forced to.

Meanwhile word comes from London that the conference to decide the fate of India will take place just the same whether Gandhi comes or not.

The New York Evening Post comments that this will be like playing Hamlet without the Prince of Denmark.

1 It seems to me that I hear a  
2 familiar refrain -- "Did you ring, sah?"  
3 ~~Then the reply, "Yes, George" -- that's~~  
4 ~~because, as we all know, everybody calls~~  
5 ~~the Pullman porter George.~~

6 We now come to the subject of  
7 Pullman porter<sup>s</sup> -- or, in other words,  
8 mankind and human life as seen from the  
9 slant of a Pullman porter. And it's an  
10 amusing slant, as we discover in the new  
11 Literary Digest, which came out today.

12 The Digest prints an article which  
13 tells us the views on life and people of  
14 a kingpin among Pullman porters. His name  
15 is H. N. Hall, and he has been on the job  
16 for 17 years. He has been called George  
17 so many times that it would take about a  
18 week to count them up. H. N. Hall has  
19 told his story in an article in the  
20 American Mercury, and the Literary Digest  
21 passes along a batch of the reflections  
22 of this veteran philosopher of the Pullman  
23 cars.

24 He has known and served many  
25 celebrities, and he gives them all their



rating. Well, what mighty personage comes first in the estimation of a Pullman porter? We are told that the boy of boys, the lord of lords, the king of kings, or what-have-you -- was the late Battling Siki. That jet-black battler from the wilderness of Senegal was the idol of the Pullman porters. He'd make his entrance into a Pullman car dressed in evening clothes with tan buttoned shoes, surrounded by a crowd of hangers-on. He'd stay up all night, roaring with laughter and having one grand time. And as for tips -- say boy! that was what made Battling Siki the king of kings. He'd tip everybody in sight, and the porter who waited on him steadily was kept busy grabbing the coins and bills that were thrust at him.

Another leading light in the lives of the Pullman porters is Thurston, the magician. When he rings, the Pullman porter gets a peculiar shine in his eyes. He doesn't do any more than barely stick his head into Thurston's stateroom,





relates Pullman Porter Hall, "was during his final illness. All the pep and dash were gone. He was just a shadow of his former self.

5 "I knew him well and served him many times. And during that last trip he asked me just one thing. He said he wanted me to be the porter on his funeral car."

And that request was granted. When the ~~funeral~~ funeral car took the famous motion picture actor on his last ride, H.N. Hall was ~~the porter~~ the porter.

That Literary Digest article gives us a whole batch of other impressions of famous people from the slant of ~~the~~ <sup>a</sup> dusky ~~Pullman porters~~ chap in uniform on the Pullman car.

1 A curious turn of events has  
2 ~~happened~~ <sup>come about</sup> happened at Boulder Dam.  
3 There's been a strike among the working  
4 men who have been laboring on the gigantic  
5 power enterprise, and the government has  
6 ordered the strikers to vacate, ~~the camp~~  
7 ~~which they occupy on government ground.~~  
8 The <sup>strikers</sup> camp consists <sup>ed</sup> of a lot of tents in  
9 which they ~~strikers~~ and their families  
10 have been living. Government officials  
11 gave the strikers a week or so in which  
12 to move.

13 That's how matters stood this  
14 morning, but this evening the situation  
15 has changed entirely. They had a cloud-  
16 burst at Boulder Dam today, and the rain  
17 came down in blinding torrents. Streams  
18 and rivers flowed over their banks in  
19 ranging floods. And the wild waters came  
20 swirling down on that camp of the strikers  
21 at Boulder Dam and washed the camp away.  
22 The tents went floating off like just  
23 so much debris. Automobiles were tossed  
24 here and there and wrecked. The strikers  
25 and their families fled in terror as the



1 angry torrent rushed down<sup>up</sup> on them.

2 And so, ~~according to~~ <sup>as is indicated by</sup> the story which  
3 the International News Service gives out,  
4 there's no further question about that  
5 camp of strikers at Boulder Dam. I  
6 suppose it will now be up to the Govern-  
7 ment to take care of the refugees.  
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1           The big snow-white figure King  
2 Cotton is prominent in the news again  
3 this evening. The King is a fat monarch.  
4 He's too big around the girth. In fact,  
5 there's too much of him. And the idea  
6 is that King Cotton ought to reduce.  
7 That idea is provoking a great deal of  
8 discussion. It was propounded by the  
9 Federal Farm Board.

10           The Farm Board officials have put  
11 forth a proposal that this year's huge  
12 cotton crop should be cut down by one-  
13 third. In other words, one-third of the  
14 cotton of the present crop in the South  
15 should be destroyed. No, not burned up  
16 or anything like that. The idea is for  
17 the farmers to plow under every third  
18 row of cotton -- just to pick every third  
19 row and travel over it with the old  
20 horse and plow.

21           Yes sir, Uncle Sam, who is a  
22 skinny sort of fellow himself, thinks  
23 that King Cotton is much too fat and  
24 should undergo a bit of drastic reducing.

25           The plan has received a mixed



1 reception in the South. The Associated  
2 Press gives us quotations of what a  
3 number of Southern agricultural  
4 authorities have to say, including 14  
5 governors. The comments vary all the  
6 way from "O.K., it's a good idea," to  
7 "Nothing doing, just nonsense."

8 Governor Sterling of Texas declares  
9 the proposal of the Farm Board is  
10 interesting.

11 In Tennessee the Commissioner of  
12 Agriculture says the idea is a good one--  
13 if the farmers will co-operate.

14 *But* Governor Miller of Alabama calls  
15 the Farm Board's plan "unwise, unsound  
16 and impracticable of application."

17 ~~And~~ Governor Bilbo of Mississippi  
18 is the author of a plan of his own. He  
19 thinks the cotton farmers should <sup>merely leave</sup> ~~reduce~~  
20 ~~their crop by one-third. But his idea~~  
21 ~~is that they should do it by leaving~~  
22 every third row of cotton unpicked, and  
23 not plowing <sup>anything</sup> ~~it~~ under.

24 He declares that the scheme  
25 proposed by the Federal Farm Board would

mean just so much economic waste.

"It would cost the farmers a million dollars in time and labor to plow under that portion of the crop," declares the Governor of Mississippi. And he adds that the business of plowing under every third row would interfere with the picking of the remainder of the crop. It would throw stalks against the standing rows and that would tangle the old job of cotton picking.

Some other authorities think that any idea of destroying part of the cotton crop is wrong. They think it might be a good idea, not to destroy one-third, but to store one-third and keep it off the market. They point out the wastefulness of spoiling and throwing away such an immense supply of cotton. The White House makes clear that the cotton destroying plan emanates from the farm board and not from the President.

But at any rate, the price of cotton has fallen flat and there seems to be a general agreement that something should be done to peg it up a bit.



1 But the prize idea of all comes  
2 from Alfalfa Bill Murray, governor of  
3 Oklahoma. Alfalfa Bill has a plan for  
4 curing King Cotton of his troubles. He  
5 says it's up to the women of CHINA. He  
6 declares that it's up to the Chinese  
7 women and nobody else to save the cotton  
8 industry in solving the over-production  
9 problem. What does he mean by that?  
10 It's all very simple, and I'll just quote  
11 Alfalfa Bill word for word to show how:

12 "If all the women of China," says *Alfalfa*  
13 *Bill*, "would put 4-inch ruffles on their  
14 dresses they would soon use up all the  
15 surplus cotton."

16 ~~But~~ <sup>But</sup> ~~whoever~~ <sup>in fact</sup> ~~heard of~~ Chinese women <sup>don't</sup>  
17 ~~wearing~~ ruffles. ~~And then~~ Chinese women  
18 don't wear dresses -- they wear pants.  
19 But anyway, <sup>Alfalfa Bill's plan for</sup> those 4-inch ruffles on the  
20 bottom of the Chinese women's dresses is  
21 ~~a sublime oriental~~ <sup>a</sup> ~~great~~ picture with which to close and  
22 say --

23 SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.  
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