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That long deferred, much debated, much troubled visit to the United States is to happen - such is the report today. What visit? Just guess - what most renowned couple planned to come to our shores, and there was much publicity, and much hullabaloo, and much argument, and ^{then} the visit was called off? Undoubtedly your guess is - the Duke and the Duchess, ^{Windsor.} And you are right.
~~Windsor~~

Today's report says that the former Edward the Eighth and Duchess Wally are coming to the United States next spring, in March, for a three month ^{'s} tour. This time it won't be under anybody's auspices, no study of housing, nothing sociological at all - just a visit. ~~and~~ The rumor is that if they get a warm welcome, they may decide to live in the United States. And my hunch is, that as a result of all they have gone through - exile, snubbing, humiliation - I wouldn't be a bit surprised but what they would receive an exceedingly warm welcome when they reach these shores.

MT. MAYON.

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Mt. Mayon in the Philippines is still erupting
violently - with terrific blasts at intervals of three hours.
Four thousand refugees from destroyed villages are being taken
care of by the Red Cross. Legaspi, a nearby city of fifty thousand
people, is not believed to be in danger - but the whole town is
covered an inch deep with volcanic dust.

EXPEDITION.

The Archbold- New Guinea expedition ~~xxxxxx~~ completed its trans-Pacific flight today, reached its destination -- New Guinea. The flying laboratory made the long flight from Wake Island and landed on the ^{vast} Jungle Island ^{sometimes called Papua} for exploration and scientific study.

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KIDNAP

The latest in the Florida kidnap is the following statement by J. Edgar Hoover. "At present," says the Chief of the G.Men, "I am not at liberty to say whether McCall is the kidnapper or one of the kidnappers. I will say, however, "That he is a kidnapper."

The inference is the mere uncertainty - whether McCall alone is guilty or whether he had accomplices.

At last reports, McCall had not admitted the crime of kidnapping. He merely confessed that it was he who got the kidnap money. However, it was he who led the G-men to the Florida thicket where the pitiful body was found. Moreover, he showed them the hiding place of the money, and all of the ten thousand dollar ransom money was there.

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The solution of the crime proceeded from the one factor so x evident all along, the extreme boldness of the ransom collector and the intimate knowledge he showed of things at Princenton, Florida. The boldness led to his undoing. McCall himself called the attention of the Cash family to the third ransom note left at their house, and he joined with a show of ardor for the hunt of the five year old boy.

Moreover, he went to the unfortunate father, ~~James B. Cash~~ James B. Cash, and talked to him about the kidnapping. Perhaps he thought that by getting into the thick of things he'd evade suspicion. But it merely brought suspicion on him.

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The amount of local knowledge displayed by the ransom collector raised the immediate surmise that it was a local job. And Franklin Pierce McCall, named after the fourteenth President of the United States, is indeed a neighborhood personality. A minister's son, and brother of a minister - his father was pastor of the Nazarene Church in Princeton, and his brother is the present pastor of that same church. For a local job you could hardly pick anybody more local.

The prisoner is being held in the offices of the G-men, high in a Florida skyscraper. There's a muttering of mob violence in that south Florida area, angry groups of men talking and raging against the prisoner. But the skyscraper office of the G-men is immune from attack. So the prisoner is safe as he awaits trial - and as the G-men question him and question others, seeking accomplices.

There's one place where the Republican Party is faced with a crisis, all because of the primary elections. Two Republican candidates are tied, with exactly the same number of votes, What to do about it?

In Lenoir County, the Democrats polled forty-three hundred primary votes. And the Republicans? First, let me explain in what state Lenoir County is - North Carolina. The two Republican candidates for coroner are tied with one vote each, a G. O. P. vote of two, split evenly.

What are they to do about it? The chairman of the board of elections, who is a Democrat, suggests they have three possibilities. One - flip a coin and see who's nominated. Two, demand a run-off primary, in which case one of the two Republican votes might switch. Three, forget it, and leave the G. O. P, without a candidate for ~~XXXX~~ coroner. He won't get more than two votes in the election anyway - against the Democratic four thousand and three hundred.

YOUNG REPUBLICANS

I ran into Sam Pryor today, head of the young

There was a lilt to his voice as he
Republican movement in Connecticut. [^]He told me that the

G. O. P. is coming to life -- this resurrection to occur

tomorrow night. Said Committeeman Pryor: "The National

Convention of Young Republicans will be on in Kansas City,

And he added that
attended by delegates from all the states." [^]The man who is

expected to perform the miracle tomorrow night is a ~~ix~~ silver-

tongued orator named C. Wayland Brooks, a world war veteran,

wounded many times, decorated many times, afterward, prosecuting

attorney in Chicago, and candidate for Governor of Illinois

two years ago, when he ran several hundred thousand votes

ahead of his ~~ix~~ ticket. "Curley" Brooks will unleash his *persuasive*

oratory tomorrow night to the delegates ^{and on} ~~as well as over~~ [^]the air.

BARKLEY

And here's a Democratic item:—

^ The President has been saying that he's keeping out of primary fights in the various states. But today we learn there's one primary in ~~MAE~~ which he is likely to add his voice. In a conference at the White House the President told Senator Barkley that he thought he'd be in Kentucky on July ~~Eight~~ Eighth. The Senator is in a hot primary fight down in his own home state, with ~~SENEX~~ ^{Happy} Governor Chandler trying to get the nomination away from him.

As administration leader, the gentleman from Kentucky is high in the graces of the White House. And the President would like to see him return to the Senate. Presumably there'll be an F. D. R. speech, with many a fine word for Senator Barkley - when there's a presidential stop - off, in Kentucky. It will be a stop-off in a trip across the country that will take the first Fisherman-of-the-Land to the west coast. There he'll board a cruiser and voyage to Cocos Island and the Galapagos, and see how ^{the} ~~is~~ fishing is in the Pacific.

CONGRESS.

(A couple of items from Congress:)

Leaders in the lower house today turned down a proposal that involved Government operation of the Railroad. ^S
Labor leaders approached Congressional leaders with the _A
proposal that if there is a Railroad pay out and strike -
why then the Government should operate the Railroads.

The answer is - no. The house leaders will have nothing to do with the idea. "That's dynamite", one of them is quoted as saying.

There still may be a filibuster against the wage-hour bill. The other night, we had the news that southern members on the joint committee considering the bill had agreed on a compromise. They okayed the idea of the minimum wage up to thirty cents an hour. But above that there would be a special arrangement whereby the south could have a special wage scale. Today, however, we find that the compromise is not acceptable to all the southern senators. ~~R~~ Seventeen of them have announced that they will filibuster against the wage-house ^{re} compromise.

LAGUARDIA

Before the New York State Constitutional Convention Senator Wagner and Mayor LaGuardia spoke a plea:- abolish the slums in New York City! The Mayor said that a million, seven hundred thousand people were living in slum conditions in the metropolis. And he estimated it would cost four billion dollars to wipe out all those evil housing conditions.

DEBTS

In Detroit the police are vigilant and alert, hot on the trail of crooks and criminals. Hold-up man beware! So there was instant police activity when Constant Brancort staggered weakly into a hospital, to be treated for a bad cut across his forehead and a concussion of the brain. He told dramatically how these injuries had been inflicted on him by two hold-up men, who slugged him and robbed him of twenty-one dollars.

The vigilant police questioned Brancort eagerly, demanding descriptions and details. The enthusiastic questioning got so hot that Brancort ~~broken~~ broke down and confessed - no hold-up at all. He banged his own head against a brick wall. He lost his twenty-one dollars betting on the horse races, and was afraid to tell his wife. So he invented the story of being robbed and just cracked his head up to make it sound convincing.

This evening Brancort is worse off than ever. For, not only did his wife find out that he lost the twenty-one dollars on the races, but also - the Detroit cops arrested him on a charge of faking a hold-up.

YACHT.

Flares were spied on the Ocean today twenty miles south of Key West, Florida - flares of ~~xi~~ distress. A coast guard boat went speeding to the rescue, and found the motor yacht ~~was~~ Backbone adrift with one man aboard - the owner, Joseph Mann Auburn of New York. And he told a weird story.

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SNAKE

A weird story of religious fanaticism comes from Hammond, Louisiana. A fifty-six year old mother lies ill and suffering - snakebite, venom from the fangs of a ~~rattle rattler~~ rattlesnake. And her grown up son pleads with her - "See a doctor, Mother; let me call a Doctor."

The dramatic part of it is the religious angle - *the* snakebite ~~as a~~ *test of faith,* *that we have heard of before.* She belongs to the Holiness cult, and let a rattlesnake sink its fangs into her left arm to prove that faith would cure all.

Her son, is not so strong in that kind of religion. The Holiness preacher gazes sternly at him, and proclaims: "He's a sinner, His mother will be cured because she has faith."

Her husband is there, father of the pleading young man. What does he say? There's a strange look in his eyes as he chants: "She's a-comin' back because her faith is great," *"She's a comin' back."*

So the stricken mother, tortured by rattlesnake bite, looks up at her son, and shakes her head. No, she won't have any doctor - she'll be ^cured by faith. *"She's a comin' back."*

SHRINERS.

In Los Angeles the intersection of Broadway and seven Street is one of the busiest corners in that busy town. This morning, a party of men carried a long table and a lot of chairs and set them up in the Street, right there at Broadway and Seventh. And they had breakfast served - tying up the traffic, automobiles and trolley cars lined up on all sides.

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A street car pushed up to the breakfast table, across the track and nudged it a bit - get out of the way. The men at breakfast offered the Conductor a cup of coffee. A cop came ~~walking~~ stalking up. They offered him a plate of pancakes. A false alarm of fire was turned in, and sixteen fire trucks came banging to the scene. The firemen were treated to ham and eggs. It was a memorable breakfast there in the middle of the Street in busy Los Angeles. What's the answer? A cap of red, ~~and~~ an oriental fez. Climax and ~~even~~ conclusion of the Shriners' Convention, which took over the city, turned Los Angeles into one big mystic shrine.

STATUES

Today it appears that at Marlboro, Massachusetts, poor Venus and Apollo won't be left homeless. The Goddess of Love and ^{the} Sun God won't be left without house ^{of} shelter. They're being evicted from the Marlboro High School - from the pedestal they've been ~~XXXX~~ occupying for fifty years. All because the ancient Greeks didn't see fit to put trousers, skirts and overcoats on their divinities - not even bathing suits. So, the school committee ordered the Goddess of Love and the Sun God ~~to be~~ banished, on the grounds of indecency.

But, they're not left without any place to go, because today two offers came to give a home to Venus and Apollo - invitations from two clergymen. [†]The Reverend Elisha Hooper informed the school board with these words:- "I shall be glad to accept the statues for my Sunday school room."

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The Reverend Carl Heath Kopf, pastor of the Mt. Vernon Congregational Church in Boston, sent his invitation with a bit of comment. He recalled that the original of the Statue of Apollo is in Rome, ~~in~~ in the Vatican. "If it's decent enough for the Vatican," says he, "it's decent enough for our

young people to see and admire."

So, for a new home Venus and Apollo have their choice -

between the Church and a Sunday School. ^{Poor Apollo!}
Poor Venus!

GOAT

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A goat is a powerful critter, can eat most anything, but there's one kind of dinner in two courses that even a goat can't digest. That was proven at Standard City, Illinois, today when Dr. Seymour's billygoat saw a can of gasoline that was being used to clean farm implements. Billy lapped up the gasoline as course number one. Then a workman, having lighted his pipe, threw the match on the ground - it was still burning. The billygoat tried to eat the flame for course number two - and that was the end of Billy. He blew right up. No, not even a goat can

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drink gasoline with a chaser of fire. Blue Sunoco is perfect for ~~car~~ the stomach of your car, but not for the stomach of your goat. Am I right Hugh? And e-l-u-t-m.

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