

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The news from the labor front tonight is cheerful. The prospects of peace among the workers of the Unions is brighter than it has been at any time since that memorable split between the American Federation of Labor and the revolting C.I.O.

The beginning of the new harmony movement came the day before yesterday, when the C.I.O. Convention at Atlantic City telegraphed a proposal for negotiations to the A.F. of L. Convention at Denver. The C.I.O. suggested a peace parley of a hundred representatives each. Yesterday, the A. F. of L. responded by saying Okay but objected to any such huge pow-wow as two sets of delegates of a hundred each.

Today, the first dateline is -- Atlantic City. The C.I.O. says, well, let's go ahead. What about the size of the peace conference? The John Lewis organization sent to the A. F. of L. a telegram which reads in part as follows: "The conference of the

Committee for Industrial organization has designated a committee of ten to sit with the Committee from the American Federation of Labor to determine the number of representatives for each organization to attend the proposed conference."

The second date line is Denver. There, the C.I.O. telegram was received with this comment - "It appears to have possibilities. The main thing is to get together." So said George L. Harrison, Chairman of the A.F. of L. Peace Committee.

The next thing will be to stage that preliminary confab -- name a place for it, and then start the deliberations. The prospects look better for a reunion of the two rival union organizations headed by William Green and John Lewis -- the ranks of labor solid once more.

CHINA

President Roosevelt spoke once again today about the United States and the war in the Far East. This time he clarified an important point: What will the Nine Power Conference Do or try to do? We announced our intention of joining that Conference to consider the Japanese attack on China. The State Department has put our government on record as denouncing the Japanese for aggression. The President came forth with a new idea today -- about what the Nine Power Conference will seek to achieve. And it's something more peaceful than boycott, quarantine, blockade, war. The word is -- mediation. President Roosevelt declared that the conference will try to mediate the quarrel between Japan and China, use its good offices in bringing about negotiations for a settlement. Nine-Power Mediation! Maybe that's the reason the news from Tokyo tonight is: that Japan may join the Nine-Power parley. Hitherto it has been supposed that Tokyo would refuse to have anything to do with it, since the conference's idea was supposed to be punishment of Japan.

Where will the pow-wow be held? At Brussels, most likely.

The Belgian government announced today that after consulting with the United States and Great Britain, it would issue invitations to the nine powers to gather together at the Belgian capitol.

In North China, the Japanese admit that their armies have been stopped by the Chinese resistance -- stopped while munitions and reenforcements are being brought up. The Japanese give a curious explanation of the desperate fight the Chinese have put up in one section. They say it's because of the general's money, the commander's treasure. The general is said to have two and a half million dollars buried, a hidden hoard. The rapid advance of the Japanese was about to sweep over the general's buried treasure, and he'd lose it. So the warlord gave the command to his troops -- fight to the death. And they resisted bitterly, held up the Japanese advance while the general was having his buried treasure removed. That's an odd story the Japanese give us, and it becomes all the odder when we are told that the last-ditch defenders of the general's gold and gems are Communists, regiments of the Chinese Red Army.

VATICAN

In Rome there was a conference today between Pope Pius the Eleventh and his Secretary of State. It was a long conference, which is not astonishing - in view of the headline report that the Vatican was supporting Japan against the Chinese Communists. ~~It~~ *It was rumored that the Vatican* ~~had~~ had issued orders to its missionaries in China to give aid to the Japanese in every case where the Mikado's men are in conflict with the Chinese Reds. This statement was made the more significant by the fact that Chinese Communist armies are *now* united with the Nanking government in opposing Japan.

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Today's conference between the Pontiff and the papal Secretary of State resulted in a formal statement - of denial. The report is described as - false and ~~can be~~ vigorously denied. No instructions had been sent to missionaries in China concerning the Far Eastern War.

The ~~next~~ papal position is stated this way. The Church is opposed to Communism. In the Sino-Japanese War it is completely neutral. It is on excellent terms with both nations. It merely deplores that there is any war between them.

~~Interviews with various high church dignitaries emphasize the denial. Nothing to it, is the universal response at the Vatican.~~

SPAIN

Early reports from Europe today indicated that Mussolini was about to withdraw five thousand of his fighting men from Spain. A late dispatch brings something from Rome about that. And it's no denial. Yes, Italy might be willing to withdraw a certain number of those Italian volunteers. The dispatch specifies -- a certain number, not all. And it speaks of this as -- a "symbolic" withdrawal. I don't know just what the symbolism is. And then, there's a further condition -- that France and Great Britain grant belligerent rights to General Franco, that's to be the price of the symbolism.

But here's something more poignant than symbolism. It concerns an Italian who went to join the French army -- Bruno Mussolini, son of the Duce. The word from Rome is -- worry. Because for the last forty-eight hours there has been no word from the Dictator's boy. Missing.

And with this comes the story of how the Duce's son went to fly in the Spanish war against the wishes of his Mother. She begged him not to go, flying in that Spanish terror. But, he went.

There's a report that the departure of his squadron was kept a secret from the Duce, because Bruno Mussolini was afraid that his Father might object. He and his brother Vittorio, who is now in the United States, flew in the war in Ethiopia. And maybe the Duce thought that was enough. The news has been that Bruno Mussolini has taken part in various bombing raids. Rome has kept closely in touch with his movements, but now no word about him for forty-eight hours.

It would be bitter irony if his name were to go on the list of "Killed in Action". Would it be said that the Black Shirt Dictator had sacrificed his son to his own ambition? Or -- that Duce Mussolini had been like a Roman father of old?

JERUSALEM

Tonight the Holy City of Jerusalem went to bed with the curfew. Everybody off the streets at six o'clock! No citizens allowed at large through the night, until five A.M. The curfew in the city of Peace ended a day of terror -- terror all through Palestine. Deadly clashes between Jews and Arabs, attacks on the British by Arab insurrectionists. A train derailed, a bus bombed, four people killed, two of them British constables. Bands of Arab guerrillas waged an organized reign of terror today.

(Things had been quiet in Palestine for a week, but yesterday the British authorities banished those members of the Arab high council, more of them, and this was a signal for today's outbreak of violence.

The latest right off the wire is: -- "Martial law in the Holyland.")

And here's a hot one:- The Grand Mufti has escaped -- from the Mosque of Omar -- where the British had him under strict watch

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Now for the big news over the weekend, -- football.

Of course the news of triumph and defeat won't be had until tomorrow evening, and the best thing we can have is a prognosis. And here's Ed Thorgersen to give it to us. So how about the big games tomorrow, Ed?

ED:- Well, after casting a weather eye over the schedules Lowell -- I'd just as soon pick the winners as face a firing squad so here we go -- headlong into the fourth Saturday of a season -- not yet at the half-way mark -- with the greatest opposition to come -- and yet -- out of more than two hundred college elevens that started with the high hopes and aspirations of national recognition -- tonight -- there remain only thirty teams -- undefeated and untied. That's what makes a football forecaster's career so short.

For instance -- right here in New York -- 57,000 will storm the Polo Grounds to see the classic struggle between Fordham and Pittsburgh . Two powerful squads -- unbeaten and

untied -- and more than that -- neither team has been scored on. Two years ago they played a scoreless tie. Last year they met again -- and again fought to the same scoreless draw.

Tomorrow, the situation is about the same. Pitt's great backfield against a mighty Fordham line. There is, however, one important development. Last year Marshall Goldberg was a sensational Pittsburgh sophomore. Tomorrow he goes into action as a Junior -- and that one year added experience will spell the difference. So it's the Pittsburgh Panther by a shade.

Army invades the Yale Bowl in the thirty-sixth renewal of a colorful football feud. The last battle that Eli's bulldog won was way back in 1929 when Albie Booth scampered all over the field and Yale won by a score 21 to 13. Tomorrow -- Albie Booth will not be there pp niether will Larry Kelley -- but Clint Frank will -- and therein lies the reason -- for our nod in the direction of Eli Yale.

Columbia clashes with Pennsylvania -- Columbia's Coach Lou Little once played football for Pennsylvania -- so it will

probably break Lou Little's heart -- he'll cry no doubt -- when he sees his Columbia Lions claw the Pennsylvanians to a fare-the-well -- he'll cry -- no doubt.

Cornell -- Big Red -- with power plus -- battles an untested Syracuse eleven. Both undefeated. But Cornell -- even without the services of George Peck will continue on it's path to the glorious Cornell football traditions of more than a decade ago.

Westward ho -- it's Minnesota-Michigan -- in a clash steeped in the tradition of the little Brown Jug. And if Minnesota has awakened from it's doldrums of the past two weeks the Minnesota Gopher should dig deep and often into Michigan territory. Michigan will score -- but not enough --

If you've a mind to tag along as we go South we'd like to spend a moment at Atlanta where Duke will try to live up to it's reputation as one of the great teams of the country. But Georgia will make it plenty tough for Duke was tied last week by Tennessee -- whereas Georgia Tech will go into the game undefeated and untied -- how they'll come out is quite another

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matter for I believe that Duke will really play the brand of Rose Bowl football that she hopes to play next New Year's Day.

But there's another team in the South with its eye on the California Bowl -- and that's the same Tennessee eleven Tennessee battling Alabama. Last year it was a draw. Tomorrow's southern headlines will feature Tennessee.

Far Western football this week-end has a breathing spell as California -- far and away the outstanding team on the Coast has an easy double-header -- in taking one the College of the Pacific and California Aggies with reminds me that it's about time for me to take a double-header so carry the ball Lowell--

L.T.:- All right, Ed, I'll carry it right out to Indiana.

GANG

Secrets of social life in a gangster mob were revealed at Indianapolis today. We hear of gunmen swank, crime in evening clothes, bandit publicity. That's the inside story of life in the Al Brady gang of the middle west - the mob that came to grief at Bangor, Maine, last Tuesday in a sensational gun battle with G-men. Two killed and one captured, and it's the survivor who tells the tale.

James Dalhover, who ~~was~~^{is} called the trigger man of the Brady gang, was taken from Bangor to Indianapolis and has been making copious confessions, with accent on pride - the pride that goeth before a fall. There were three of them - Dalhover himself, Lee Shaffer and Al Brady. It was Brady who organized the mob, and he was the proud, ~~and~~ arrogant braggart. They were bandits and fugitives, but between murders and escapes, Al Brady loved to wear evening clothes. He insisted on dressing for dinner every night. It was his idea for the gang to operate a night club in Baltimore - where he could swagger around in a boiled shirt and tail coat in a glittering crowd. He loved the gawdy social life.

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"It was Brady's desire to be aristocratic," said the deputy marshal at Indianapolis today, after listening to the story of Dalhover, the trigger man.

And Brady loved the headlines. He was a publicity hound, ever eager to see his name and picture in the papers. He was pleased when his mob was called, "the second Dillinger gang." He enjoyed being considered the present-day successor to that public enemy of evil renown. He played up to it by boasting - that he'd make Dillinger look like a piker. He was publicity crazy.

His partners, Shaffer and Dalhover, didn't like the glamor so much, the strutting around in evening clothes, the headline publicity. They knew the limelight was dangerous. They were afraid Brady's egotistical vanity would get them into trouble. And they told him that they'd kill him if he didn't stop it; cut out the public posturing and the publicity or they'd bump him off.

And they deposed him as leader of the gang. They told him he wasn't the boss any longer. They formed a mobster

democracy, with voting, majority rule.

" Shaffer and I talked to him plenty," the trigger man related today. We decided to vote on every move we'd make."

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And they did vote - time and again. The last time - was on the question of going to Bangor. Dalhover voted against it, but Brady and Shaffer voted for it - and it was majority rule.

So they went to Bangor, and there they were trapped by the G-men, Brady and Shaffer killed, while Dalhover survived.

That might seem poetic justice for his having guessed right when they voted - to go or not to go to Bangor. But four murders are chalked against the mob, and Dalhover is called the trigger man. So he's likely to go - to the chair.

DIVINE

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Out in California the throne is ready, a throne on wheels,
a twenty-eight thousand dollar touring chariot built for Father
Divine. It's a great shining auto, big enough to hold a crowd.
The rear seat is upraised - a throne, double throne - with
places for two. One place for the little negro cult leader, who
is worshipped as God. And the other place? That was intended

for the angel who ordered the car, ~~whom~~

He planned the
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auto as a

touring chariot in which he and Father Divine could speed across
the nation, spreading the gospel of - "Peace, it's wonderful!"

~~and "Thank you, Father!"~~

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This automotive throne is not quite as gorgeous as had
been intended. The angel who ordered it planned to have crystal-
glass-windows in the shapes of stars and crescents, and a blue
plush ceiling spangled with golden stars. These have been left out.

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angel who planned it all is among those absent. He's
not available ~~just now~~ to ride on the throne beside Father Divine
in the touring chariot. He's in jail, serving a sentence in the

hoosgow. "Peace it's wonderful" - and
solong until Monday.

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