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(Allen Jackson - L.T. in Alaska)

Tonight, Lowell Thomas is on another of his long

journeys. This time - to Alaska. ~~Which~~ is one of his favorite

places. Lowell tells me that the first adventurous trip he ever

made, was to that northern land. Years ago - when he was just

out of school. Beginning a career - of going to far places.

We'll be hearing from Lowell in Alaska - and, now

~~meanwhile~~, here's the news.

HOOVER

Former President Herbert Hoover closed the argument, today. The question - of whether or not the United States made the Bolsheviks pay for American food relief. During the Russian famine of Nineteen Twenty-One--'Twenty-Three.

Visiting Deputy Premier Kozlov started the discussion when he told President Eisenhower, yesterday - that the Soviets had to pay in gold. ^{for that food and other relief} Last night, he was corrected by Vice-President Nixon, who challenged the Kozlov statement. The Deputy Premier - finally ^{ed} admitting that he was in error. The Soviets got the American relief supplies / free / gratis, for nothing.

Back in those days of the 'Twenties, Herbert Hoover was Director of the American Relief Administration. So he's the one to give us the facts - and he does.

Today he stated that, when the famine hit Bolshevik Russia, the Soviet government asked for American aid. And this country responded by rushing more than seven hundred thousand tons of food, clothing, and medical supplies to Russia. At a

cost - of about sixty-two million dollars.

"It was not a loan," says former President Hoover.

"Not a dime was ever asked for / or paid." *P* At the time, the Bolsheviks leaders expressed their appreciation. "They presented me with a great scroll of thanks," says the former President. And he adds: "They have been trying to forget our help ever since."

Forgetting it so successfully - / that Deputy Premier Kozlov / complained to President Eisenhower that the Soviets had to pay in gold. *But he later - had* ~~Later having~~ to admit - that he was in error.

The comrade made a mistake - in bringing that up!

HARRIMAN

Now, about Khrushchev's /tough talk - in conversation with Averell Harriman. About which - there have been a lot of rumors. ~~Reports of rough, coarse talk by the Soviet Premier.~~
So here are some facts - from Washington.

Immediately after his conversation with Khrushchev, the former Governor of New York relayed the Khrushchev remarks to the State Department in Washington. Which, in turn - conveyed the information to the President.

Officials in Washington ²¹² not alarmed. They say that the substance of the Khrushchev tirade - is nothing new. Talking to Averell Harriman, /he merely reiterated the Russian stand on Berlin, /the same old thing. He may have been loud and rude, /but advanced nothing new.

POPE

In his first Encyclical, Pope John the Twenty-Third, climaxes with a sombre warning. ~~Expressing~~ ^{Stating} misgivings - that are in the minds of all of us. But expressed / with a stateliness of old Latin.

Addressing the prelates and people of the Roman Catholic Church, / Pope John warns that the nations may be, in his words - "slipping, in complete blindness, / towards a new and frightful warlike conflagration. We say in complete blindness," he goes on. "For if (which God prevent) a new war ~~has~~ breaks out, / nothing else will confront all people but appalling destruction and ruin. And this - / whether they are victor or vanquished."

This is followed by an appeal to the statesmen of the world - / to "ponder these matters prudently and earnestly."

FLEET

The U.S. fleet - at Chicago, today. ~~Fourteen~~
warships - traversing the St. Lawrence Waterway. Then steaming
through
~~by~~ the Great Lakes to Chicago. Which is now - a major seaport.

The task~~force~~ of warships - ~~to~~ ^{will} participate in paying
honor to Queen Elizabeth the Second, ~~when~~ she visits Chicago
on Monday.

Well, it's a long time since the Great Lakes have
seen an American ship of war. Not since the days when Admiral
Perry ~~defeated~~ the British naval power on Lake Erie, in the
War of Eighteen Twelve. The Great Lakes, ever since ~~have~~
been demilitarized, ~~according~~ to treaty.

FIRE

The Air Force declares - that the secret magnetic tapes, / which were destroyed by fire today - ~~could~~^{can} probably^{C2N} be replaced. The tapes / - Air Force records, kept in a secret basement at the Pentagon.

That hidden vault caught fire today / apparently because of an electrical failure. No evidence - of sabotage. The blaze - buckling^{ed} concrete floors and bursting waterpipes. - Sending clouds of smoke through the Pentagon. Thirty firemen and building guards / ^{were} overcome by ^{the} smoke. The fire in the basement raging for a couple of hours - / in that secret Air Force hideaway.

LONG

The doctors report that Earl Long was a bit better, today - after suffering a "slight heart failure" last night. In addition to which, / he is in a state of nervous breakdown - and has had "a small stroke" / or a series of strokes. All - following his release from a mental hospital, last Friday.

His physicians want him to take it easy, / and relax - and to check the frantic pace / at which he has been driving himself. Staying up night and day, holding press conferences, and planning a campaign for his reelection as governor. Earl Long - saying he'll start the political campaign on Saturday, ~~the~~ ^{the} Fourth of July. With four speeches / and a visit to a bathing beauty contest.

Last night, after four hours of sleep, the Governor was up at four A.M., and started making telephone calls. Phoning officials all over Louisiana - and issuing orders.

BOMB

In London, the days of World War Two returned. With the explosion of a German bomb / as in the time of the blitz.
Not much damage ^(was) done / every precaution ^{had} having been taken to make the blast / as harmless as possible.

In the heart of London, / workmen were digging an excavation - / when they found the bomb. Which had been dropped - sixteen years ago. / Burying itself in the ground - / without exploding.

It's a rather late date for London to be discovering a sinister token of the blitz, and this one was all the worse - because it was booby trapped. Couldn't be defused, / made harmless - and carried away. The demolition experts could only get rid of it - / by touching off the high explosive.

They did everything possible to minimize the force of the blast, and evacuated people from the area. Then - bang went the bomb, as in the days of the blitz.

The principal havoc - / in a store selling clocks. Where the insides of dozens of clocks were knocked out of gear -

by the shock. So now the storekeeper is busy with a tedious job - putting all those clocks back in order.

(15) BLANCHARD (51:15)

(1-05) Today, at Wethersfield, England, Major Felix Blanchard

said: "It was just one of those things."

1- Well, he might have made the same kind of remark, when he was Doc Blanchard, the West Point star/back in the 'Forties. Remember that famous pair - Blanchard and Davis? Who scored thrilling touchdowns -/in many a game. ^{Now} ~~So~~ what has Doc Blanchard been up to ^{now?}

(45) Well, he was honored for bravery, today -/as a U.S. Air Force pilot,/stationed in Britain. Cited - for what he did, when his jet fighter burst into flames,/as he was coming in for a landing. A spokesman for the Air Force puts it in these words:

(32) "The village of Fincingfield was straight ahead. The plane would have hit either the village,/or one of the other populous places in the vicinity. Nobody would have blamed Blanchard,/if he had ^{bailed out} ~~ejected~~ himself. In a split second, his jet fighter cockpit was filled with smoke, and Blanchard had to

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choose. He decided to stick with it. He saw the village down below. He brought his plane down. It was one of the finest jobs of flying I ever saw," says the spokesman for the Air Force.

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That landing ^{Don- was} a touchdown. More glorious than any

he scored, as a football star at West Point.

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(I'm here:)

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WEDDING

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Television viewers in Europe, today, ~~was~~ were not sure whether Princess Paola was going to laugh, or cry. As she stood at the altar, with Prince Albert of Belgium.

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The wedding was held in a venerable Thirteenth Century church in Brussels, with royalty from all over Europe in attendance. The ceremony performed ~~by~~ by Cardinal Van Roey.

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The Italian Princess - a girlish blonde. Vivacious and sentimental, ~~apparently~~ - given easily to smiles or tears.

She smiled radiantly - earlier on her wedding day. Then, when the Cardinal ~~was~~ pledged her to her marriage vows, she buried her face in her hands. The television audience, ~~not knowing~~ ^{couldn't tell} - was she giggling or crying?

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The answer? Tears. During the remainder of the ceremony, the Princess dabbed at her eyes - with a handkerchief.

But Dan

Well, more than one bride has been known to shed -

tears of happiness.

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