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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The U. S. Senate has just adopted an amendment providing that there shall be no federal rent control in states that have their own rent control agencies.

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Rent controls will continue in the U.S.A.--
~~that is provided~~ President Truman does ^{not} veto the new
O.P.A. bill over which the Senate ~~has been~~ ^{is} laboring.

One attempt was made which would have
produced a fifteen per cent jump in rents if it had gotten
^{by} ~~over~~ Senator ~~Albert~~ Hawkes of New Jersey offered an
amendment allowing landlords five per cent more at once,
five per cent more in November, and again ~~taxed~~ in March.
But ~~after quite a fight~~, that one ^{failed} ~~was squelched~~ by a vote
of fifty-eight to fourteen.

This was the only point the supporters of
O.P.A. won today, on top of the decision the Senators
made yesterday to let the agency keep controls on grains
products. They have already eliminated milk, butter, cheese,
eggs, meat, livestock, poultry, in fact practically
everything to eat, and petroleum products as well. ~~The~~
~~Partisans who have succumbed to Chester Bowles's streams~~
~~of propaganda believe Mr. Truman will veto the new measure~~
~~as he did the old one, and again there will not be enough~~
~~votes in the House to override the veto.~~

~~While this was going on, there were indications all over the country of organized buyers' strikes, which would get into action if prices became excessive. They have been planned at Philadelphia, New York, St. Louis, Cities in Pennsylvania, in Massachusetts, Camden, New Jersey, and as far away as Portland, Oregon Bismarck, North Dakota and Omaha.~~

However, in most cities price increases were held to a minimum, according to United Press dispatches, and retailers reported that business was normal.

The champions of O.P.A. continue to sound the ~~alarm~~ ~~alarms~~, prophesying disaster if O.P.A. is not restored to bureaucratic power. But so far, after two weeks without controls, there is no proof that their prophecies will come true, in spite of ^{livestock} ~~the high~~ prices of ~~livestock in the big market~~.

MAY

Congressman Andrew May, Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, admitted freely to army officers that Dr. Henry M. Garsson was a friend of his. May made it clear on several occasions that he was anxious to help Garsson and the Illinois Syndicate, which reaped such an enormous profit out of seventy-eight ~~dm~~ million dollars' worth of war orders. In a telephone conversation, which was recorded, May told General Ruswell Hardy of Army Ordnance that ^{one Garsson Company} ~~Bata~~ should have a contract to produce chemical bombs to make up for cut-backs in the previous contracts.

On May Fifteenth, Nineteen Forty-Five, ^{Congressman} May telephoned ^{Gen.} Hardy's assistant, Colonel Jank, that he was going to Chicago for that sixteen thousand dollar banquet and he wanted to be able to tell Garsson what the War Department had decided. He used these words: "I don't think it is fair to cut them back. I think they ought to have as many as sixteen thousand shells a month anyway, And he said further: "I'll be there and I want to tell Dr. Garsson."

All this came out today as the story of Chairman May and that sprawling paper empire of the Garsson Brothers was unfolded before the Meade Committee.

The business of that "E" Award for the Batavia Company was also mentioned again. Milton Pettit of the Army awards board told the Committee that the Batavia Company's record did not warrant any "E" award and that it was given only because May brought such pressure to bear upon the war department. It made Chicago Ordnance Officers furious and other firms in that district lost interest in obtaining "E" awards. All this ^{was} made clear by witnesses.

~~That was the only thing~~ *Now was that all* that made the Chicago Ordnance Officers angry. In March, Nineteen Forty-Four General Hardy was ordered to fly to Chicago to investigate complaints which the Garssons had made in Washington. Officers in the Chicago District were burned up because the Garssons had enough influence to bring a ~~General~~ General officer out by airplane to calm them down.

Chicago Officers were still more furious wh

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when after ^{Gen.} Hardy's visit to Chicago, ^{the} Batavia ^{Co.} received a large new contract to make eight-inch shells.

^{Gen.} Hardy was asked whether he ever received anything from the Garssons, to which he replied: "Nothing but complaints."

One document produced as evidence today was an Army memorandum about that Army "E" award. Across this paper Milton Pettit had written "Case Closed." What price political expediency!" Pettit admitted he had written that comment. # Senator ~~read said~~ ^(the whole business had been.) ~~disgraceful,~~

~~proceeding~~

CONFERENCE

At Paris today, Secretary Byrnes ~~took~~
~~commissar Molotov at his word. He ^{agreed to} ~~stood in with~~ Molotov's~~
~~suggestion that Germany should be administered as one~~
~~economic unit.~~ On behalf of Uncle Sam, our Foreign
Secretary ~~offered~~ offered to join with any other allied power in
merging ~~their~~ zones ^{in Germany,} ~~in the conquered country.~~

^{See. Byrnes} suggested further that ^{this might} ~~any unit that~~
~~might be so forced, should be possible~~ ^{arrangement might continue} until the Big Four
powers have carried out the Potsdam agreement, that part
of it which provides for one Central Administration of
Germany.

If Russia turns down the suggestion to
unite all Germany in one zone, to be administered by all
four powers, ^{See.} Byrnes threw out a hint that the United States
would join the British ^{the American and British} in uniting ~~the~~ zones.

^{See.} Byrnes declared ~~that~~ it was impossible
to continue administering Germany in four airtight
compartments. ^{That} Under present ^{arrangements} conditions, there is no
exchange ^{of goods} between the four governments ^{no exchange} of goods,
communications or even ^{of} ideas within the four zones. ^{Whereby}

announced that the United States is prepared to instruct our soldiers in Germany to proceed immediately in cooperation with the Representatives of any other government, ^{ing} for establish machinery for administering ~~the~~ ^{Germany} ~~area~~ as one economic unit.

Germany

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RUSSIA

A new warning about the ambitions of the Soviets was published this evening. The Premier of Greece is convinced that Stalin wants an outlet to the Mediterranean through Jugoslavia and Albania.

Of course, ^{this} ~~is~~ is nothing new that the Russians want an outlet, they've been wanting that for ~~hundreds~~ hundreds of years. Hitherto, they've been concentrating on the Dardanelles. The Greek Premier says the Soviets now have their eye on Valona in Southern Albania, where there is an excellent harbor. That ~~is~~ ^{is} the ~~idea~~ ^{latest} idea. ^{Valona} ~~is~~ dominates the ~~Strait~~ Strait of Otranto and is only fifty miles away from Italy. All this and more, the head of the Greek State told to Secretary Byrnes and Ernest Bevin at Paris.

TRIESTE

Another riot at Trieste, with the business of that seaport paralyzed and the railroad blown up. Twenty thousand Slovene sympathizers who want the harbor taken away from the Italians raged through the streets, smashing, destroying and looting, particularly Italian stores.

It again took American troops in full battle dress, *to put down the rioters, G.I. troops* charged through the streets in armored cars, after the local police had failed to suppress the riot, *though they* *local gendarmes had* wounded ten people.

S.S.

That military court at Dachau, in Germany, *has*
finished the trial of seventy-three of Hitler's S.S.
men charged with violating the rules of war. *Chief*
~~of them was~~ *among them* the notorious ~~Colonel General~~ Sepp Dietrich,
known as one of the most brutal and ruthless of all
Hitler's gorillas. The specific act was the slaughter
of American prisoners at Melmedy in Belgium during the
Battle of the Bulge. The court found them guilty, *including*
Colonel General ~~and others~~ *Sepp Dietrich*, and they will probably be
sentenced to death tomorrow.

POPE

Pope Pius today received a group of visitin

American editors at the Vatican and talked to them about

freedom of the press. The first thing necessary ^{for truth} ~~to be~~

^{at the press}
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said the Pontiff, is access to the truth. He declared

that the world will ~~not~~ not be lifted out of the

quagmire of human suffering and injustice so long as

distrust, suspicion and shameful ambition conceal the

truth from those who are entitled to know it. The

common people, he added, have their rights in this

matter.

HITLER

American rearmament in Nineteen Forty-One was the biggest bluff in the history of the world. ~~That is~~ *So* Hitler ~~thought~~ *told his people. Also, Hitler* ~~thought~~ *thought* ~~in fact, he said at Nuremberg~~ ~~he also~~ *his armies* ~~could~~ *subdue* ~~completely~~ Russia in three months.

~~This is not exactly new. Almost everybody was aware that the Nazi Chiefs were extraordinarily ignorant and gullible about the productive ability of the~~

~~U.S.A. Today we have a definite and official confirmation~~ *All this is* ~~of this~~ *med* in a memorandum ~~that~~ *has just* the State Department released *The basis for it* ~~this afternoon.~~ *It* comes from the files of the Nazi

Foreign Office, in the shape of a memorandum recording the meeting between Mussolini and Ribbentrop at Rome in May, Nineteen Forty-One, *which,*

~~This memorandum~~ shows that Mussolini's part of the dialogue was confined to ~~xx~~ saying ~~xxxx~~ yes and *a few* asking questions. Ribbentrop wanted the Axis to issue a strong declaration that American protective convoys for lend-lease materials meant ~~xxxx~~ war. Ribbentrop, quoting Hitler, said this would make the Americans hesitate because our rearmament was *all* bluff.

The memorandum also shows that Hitler ^{his for number 2 man} at that time was convinced that Rudolf Hess, was a lunatic.

⁴ This meeting took place a month before ^{What did say? Why he} Hitler attacked Russia. Mussolini suggested collaboration with the Soviets. Ribbentrop ~~apparently did not at that~~

~~time know about Hitler's plans for invading Russia. He~~ ^{One of Ribbentrop's comments was} ~~said Hitler would pick his quarrels. But he added that if~~

^{that if} Stalin undertook an anti-German policy the Soviet would be destroyed within three months.

Ribbentrop also told Mussolini how ^{completely French} ~~serving the late~~ Admiral Darlan was cooperating with the Axis. At that time, ^{Darlan} nineteen forty-one, ~~he~~ was delivering arms to the rebels in Iran and had made French landing fields ^{with ample} ~~and~~ fuel supplies in North Africa ^{— all for} ~~available to~~ German planes ^{to use.}

At Nuremberg, meanwhile, German war records were produced to show that in Nineteen Forty-One, Herman Goering came within a hair's breadth of sending a Task Force through Spain to attack the British at ~~Gibraltar~~ Gibraltar, with Spanish help. He had concentrated

in France one of the greatest artillery forces ever assembled. It included six hundred German eighty-eight millimeter guns, a large number of sixty centimeter cannon, fifteen divisions, and eighty centimeter guns

on railway ~~trains~~ ^{cars, TP} ~~and~~ why did this great force ~~fail to~~ ^{head for} ~~start into action against Gibraltar?~~ Hitler ~~changed signals~~ ^{at the} ~~eleventh hour~~ ^{change his plan and} ~~ordered~~ ^{an} attack on Russia instead.

WACS

The Army wants more Wacs, both in Germany and in the Pacific Theatre. In the next four months, some two thousand of them will go overseas. General MacArthur has asked for them at Tokyo Headquarters, and others will be needed in Yokohama.

At the height of the war, there were a hundred thousand girls in Army uniform. Today there are only nineteen thousand, five hundred and ninety-two. The Army hopes Congress will continue this arm of the service. Women, say the Officers, are definitely needed in ~~our~~ *arms just as they are needed* peace-time ~~as~~ in a war-time Army.

JUDGE

A federal judge of the Third United States Court of Appeals took service in Uncle Sam's Army during the war. He served overseas thirty months as a Lieutenant Colonel, was wounded, and came back to find President Truman had given his place on the bench to another. So Judge William Clark is trying to persuade Congress that no place was vacant on that bench, that he was ~~on~~ on leave of absence while he was fighting for his country. His counsel pointed out to a committee of Senators today that the draft law provided specifically that those who fought for Uncle Sam should, upon their return, have their original job, or one as good.

KANSAS

"What's the matter with Kansas"? Asked the late William Allen White some half a century ago. He answered his own question in a piece that made him famous almost overnight. Today there's ^{certainly} nothing the matter with Kansas farmers. They've produced the second greatest wheat crop in the history of the state. Granaries are overflowing and bank deposits are piling up. ~~and they~~ ^{Yes, and} in the region which ten years ago was part of the dust bowl, ~~just a barren~~ ^{a howling} desert.

STANLEY

A law court in London was crowded today with the rich and fashionable and titled of Great Britain to hear an August Judge say that his court was not a court of honor. The defendant in the suit was the noble Lord Stanley of Alderley. His wife, Lady Stanley, formerly the wife of Douglas Fairbanks, ^{his Lordship} sued ~~him~~ for some Fifteen Thousand Dollars which she said she had lent to the noble Lord, ^{to enable him} to buy him a Rolls-Royce and other ^{knick-knacks} ~~things~~.

The Noble Lord started the quarrel by bringing suit against his wife for legal separation. So Lady Stanley in turn sued him for the money. The noble Lord's lawyer said that she was doing it for revenge. His Lordship, the Judge, turned the Lady down. ~~He~~ Said she could not collect for the Rolls-Royce she bought him nor for a bill that Lord Stanley contracted at the Ritz Hotel. ~~That~~ ^{all} That she could ~~not~~ collect was Four Hundred and Thirty-one dollars and seventy-five cents lawyer's fees for preparing the papers at their wedding and the drawing up of Lord Stanley's will before they were married ⁱⁿ ~~at~~ Boston in Nineteen Forty-Four. Said

His Lordship on the bench: "It advances the matter no further to say that the gentleman ought to pay". And he continued: "What the court has to ascertain is whether Lord Stanley undertook a legal obligation to repay Lady Stanley". Then he shook his head at the Lady, wig and all, and delivered ^{the following} ~~his~~ obiterdictum: "This is not a court of honor", ~~said he.~~

MARRIAGE

An oddity in the news: —

If a man marries a girl not of age in Wisconsin, he may not take her out for a drink unless he also takes ^{the} mother-in-law. That's the law in Senator LaFollette's State. Minors in Wisconsin, just as elsewhere, may not be served, may not even enter a tavern. In other States, when a girl marries she is considered to have attained legal majority. But not in Wisconsin. There a girl must be accompanied by her parents or guardian if she ^{wishes to imbibe,} ~~wants to quaff the flowing~~ ~~in public.~~ And by Wisconsin law, a husband ^{doesn't count either} ~~is neither~~

parent nor guardian. And here is Hugh — neither a parent nor a guardian — just a husband — of a beautiful wife!