

✓ Murt Crowell Science

Good Evening, Everybody:

There was a dandy little fight in the U. S. Senate today. The combatants did not come to blows, but if words could injure, oh my!

The wrangle was between the two Senator Robinsons, the Republican of Indiana, and the gentleman from Arkansas, who is <sup>Democratic</sup> ~~the~~ leader. ~~of the Democrats in the Senate.~~ The squabble was over the investigation into the doings of the House of Morgan.

The Indiana Robinson started the fight. He charged the Senate's Committee on Banking and Currency with holding back important information. Then he went on to demand the removal of Secretary of the Treasury Woodin. On the subject of Mr. Woodin <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>Republican</sup> ~~the~~ Indiana Robinson said: "Nobody in the country has any confidence in him." Then Senator Robinson went on to <sup>say:-</sup> ~~ask:-~~ "Is the Secretary of the Treasury beholden to the House of Morgan?" ~~and Mr. Robinson answered his own question, saying:~~ ("Of course,

he is, or else he is an ingrate. He cannot serve two masters."

Then the Indiana Robinson went on to say that Secretary Woodin should get out. The President should remove him, and if not the Senate should impeach him." Then he ~~continued~~<sup>continued</sup>:- "The Secretary of the Treasury is a cat's paw, a tool of the House of Morgan."

The Indiana Robinson then took a crack at Norman Davis, Uncle Sam's ambassador at large, and delegate ~~to~~<sup>to</sup> of the Disarmament Conference at Geneva. He said that Norman Davis was also a Morgan pet and ought to be removed.

Norman Davis, the <sup>Republican</sup> Indiana Robinson continued, "is an ambassador of nothing." At this Huey Long, the Louisiana Kingfish, got into the fight, and said ~~the system~~<sup>it wasn't the man it was</sup> was to blame. <sup>Added</sup> Huey Long ~~said~~ "We do not prosecute the powerful until they have lost their power."

Thereupon Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the Democratic leader, jumped into the breach. He defended the investigation of the Senate's Banking Committee, and he rebuked

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his namesake from Indiana, charging him with unjustness and unfairness.

The Arkansas Robinson then got a trifle personal. He said the Indiana Robinson was ~~x~~ the last man on earth to whom the President would look for advice.

This got under the collar of the Indiana Robinson and he came back with an attack on nepotism in the Senate. The voices grew so loud that the chair had to bang for order. While he was being hammered down, the Indiana Robinson shouted, taking considerable liberties with a Scriptural quotation: "Let him who has not sinned cast the first stone."

When all was said and done, the Referee decided the fight was another <sup>r</sup> draw. ~~draw~~ For all the world like one of these Battles of the Century in the Prize Ring.  
N.B.C.

## VETERANS

President Roosevelt did something today which would seem to illustrate pretty clearly his real attitude on the question of compensation to veterans. As everybody knows, it is this question which <sup>now</sup> ~~is~~ has Washington in a state of tumult, ~~today~~, because of the almost open revolt which has broken out in Congress against the White House. Naturally, the veterans have been ~~giving~~ <sup>bringing</sup> pressure to bear upon Congressmen, saying they were not being treated fairly in the economies which the Administration is trying to effect.

Well, the President today signed an executive order fixing new levels of pay for certain ex-soldiers of Uncle Sam. These new levels of pay are higher than they were before, even under any previous administration. They apply to veterans of the world war and the Spanish American war, but only to those who suffered disabilities in connection with their actual service in those two wars.

This fact was announced from the White House after

General Hines, head of the Veterans' Bureau, had finished a lengthy conference with the President.  
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PERKINS

Now that the Industrial Control Bill is a reality, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins has been holding conferences with labor commissioners from many states of the union. They are discussing ways and means of cooperating so as to carry out the provisions of this Industrial Control Act.

Miss Perkins <sup>believes</sup> ~~tells~~ one of the best things about the ~~industrial recovery~~ act is that the various states can adopt its practical features as soon as they are proved to be practical. Incidentally, Miss Perkins expects to travel considerably through the South and Middlewest, and give considerable attention to state legislation on the question of labor. The Secretary of Labor believes that the stabilization of industry could be helped considerably if manufacturers could be urged to set up a fund from which workers would receive pay when they are thrown out of jobs.

And by the same token we learn from London that unemployment is falling off considerably in the realm of John Bull. A bulletin just issued by the Labor Ministry of England reports

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there has been <sup>a</sup> ten per cent increase in employment in the last few months. There are only some two and a half million people out of jobs in Great Britain now.

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~~WASHINGTON~~ - ( President Roosevelt today signed the Wagner Employment Bill sponsored by Senator Wagner of New York. This sets up machinery to provide for establishment of a national employment system and for cooperation with the states in the promotion of such a system.)

The plan, of course, will put many people back to work.

From other Government sources came more word of cheer for unemployed. The Commerce Department announced that approximately 10,000 Federal building projects have been submitted to the Federal Employment Stabilization Board to be considered for inclusion in the Public Works program.

Dun & Bradstreet, ~~famous~~ statistical business experts, reported there were only 378 commercial failures or bankruptcies in the United States during the past week. This is the smallest number in over two years.

Prohibition Repeal

( Indiana is the tenth state in the Union to vote on Prohibition Repeal. If the Indiana voters follow Illinois, their state will be on the wet list tonight. )

Reports have just come in to me from Indiana and they indicate that a heavy vote is being polled by both wets and drys. Indiana is regared as the real test for the wet forces. Dry leaders have been claiming a fifty-fifty chance for their point of view. Wet leaders insist the Hoosier state would go two to one for repeal. Your newspaper will tell you all about it tomorrow.



AFGHAN

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Another assassination is reported from Europe. The victim was ~~the~~ Sirdar Mohammed Khan, brother of the King of Afghanistan. He was Afghan Minister to Berlin.

A wireless message just received informs us that Sirdar Mohammed Khan was shot and killed by an Afghan student in the library of the Afghan Legation today.

The Berlin police arrested the assassin and have him now in jail. The Minister of Afghanistan died in a hospital without regaining consciousness.

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It's just an old Afghan custom. I discovered that when I visited Afghanistan a few yrs ago. Nearly every King-  
Armed as they call him in Kabul dies with his boots on.

T. S. Steibeling.

Author.

Pulitzer Prize.

June 6, 1933.

INTRODUCTION TO STRIBLING

I have a prize winner here in the studio with me tonight, a prize winning author. ~~Mr.~~ T. S. Stribling, no less, whose novel "The Store," was recently awarded the Pulitzer prize.

Mr. Stribling is an authority on several things including bull fighting and South America where he has done a lot of traveling. But, as he ~~comes~~<sup>is</sup> from the South, I am going to ask him a question on another point. ~~Mr. Stribling~~<sup>Our Pulitzer Prize winner</sup> comes from the mountain regions of Tennessee.

L.T.

STRIBLING

L.T. - Mr. Stribling, ~~we people of~~ <sup>many folks in</sup> the North have an impression that the mountain districts of the South are inhabited mainly by moonshiners and gunmen, ~~is that true?~~ *Now, how about it? Are they?*

Stribling - I don't think so, I never considered Chicago a Southern city.

L.T. - Well, Mr. Stribling, just what do you consider the main differences between the North and the South?

Stribling - They differ in a number of respects. Take money for example, they differ widely there. The south wants all the money she can get. But the North also wants all the money the South can get, and it was this difference that led to the Civil War in 1861.

Also I get the difference in the letters I receive about my books. My Southern readers

demand to know why I write such falsehoods about the South, and I receive letters from Northern readers telling me how true my Southern descriptions are.

However, I believe the Pulitzer Prize has changed somewhat the southern attitude toward my work. I know only yesterday I received a letter from a Southern college asking for a donation. I am sure the Pulitzer Prize did that. The college made the request, not so much because of the honor I had received, but because of the cash I had received. They thought I was now in a position to make a donation if I wanted to.

As a final difference I might mention dialect. Neither the North nor the South believe they have a dialect, but they are sure the other has one. I was at Columbia University the other day attending the School of Speech. The instructor was telling the northern pupils to drop their "r's" as the Southerners did, and he told the southern pupils to pronounce their "r's" as the Northerners did.

As far as I can see it, perfection for both sections

of our country lies in each one getting the virtues of the other. Then, when everybody's perfect, I'll be out of a job because I am an ironist.

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So you are an ironist ~~are~~ you?  
I thought you were a novelist — not  
a pants presser. But as an  
ironist you have certainly ironed  
out a lot of sectional wrinkles.  
More power to your iron. — I mean  
your pen.

MATTERN

Well, Jimmie Mattern, smile and all, is half way round the world. He arrived at Omsk in Siberia at half past six this morning, Eastern Daylight Saving Time. That puts him only one hour ahead of the record made two years ago by Post and Gatty.

In other words, Jimmie has lost two hours of the lead that he had

when he reached Moscow. <sup>The answer — head winds.</sup> I just received a wireless dispatch from

London which reports that upon arriving in Omsk, Jimmie went to

bed to catch up on his sleeping. We are liable to hear at any

moment that he has left Omsk on his last jump across the Siberian

plains <sup>— a jump</sup> in which he expects to regain the <sup>long</sup> lead he had yesterday.

Jimmie thinks that once he's out of Siberia he'll have no trouble ~~leap~~ jumping across Alaska and then homeward across Canada to Chicago and New York.

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Here's the latest on Mattern - just in.

Jimmy will continue to spend the night in Omsk, Siberia. Wireless advices that I have just received indicate that he will take off in the early hours of the morning for Irkutsk. It is now 5 a.m. in Omsk.

The wireless report said that Mattern was very tired, but that his plane was in perfect condition and that he would be ready for the take-off after more sleep.

He says he now plans to stop at Irkutsk only for gas and to continue from there to Lake Baikal Khabarousk, where he will get another long rest before hopping the Pacific for Alaska.



## SCIENCE

Here's one of the curiosities of science. It was observed today by six hundred members of the Science <sup>Forum</sup> ~~Forum~~ of the New York Electrical Society, who ~~this morning~~ inspected the central building of Rockefeller Center in New York, <sup>- the lofty R.C.A. bldg.</sup> While the party was on the roof eight hundred and fifty feet above the street, they conducted a couple of experiments. One was the dropping of a plummet down an elevator shaft. You might think there wasn't anything so highly scientific about dropping a weight down an elevator shaft. But the idea of this experiment was to show that a body falling from such a great height does not fall straight down. That is, it does not follow a <sup>plumb-</sup> ~~plumb~~ line downward. Because of the earth's rotation this plummet was carried about five and a third inches eastward by the time it reached the ground.

So, if you are of a playful disposition, any time you are trying to drop a bucket full of water on the head of a friend in the street below, this fact may be of some assistance to you.

Correspondence

All New York is in an uproar today. And when New Yorkers get <sup>annoyed</sup>~~excited~~ you may be sure it's something serious because they ~~are~~ famous for being the most long-suffering of all citizens.

The excitement is over the latest performance of the Tammany administration of Father Knickerbocker's realm. New York is hard up, in fact several critics say that if something isn't done about it, Father Knickerbocker will soon be in the same position as Chicago so far as cash is concerned. A determined effort was made last fall to save the city ~~from~~ some money by economizing, but this caused a Tammany rebellion because the economies would have reduced the salaries of thousands of the Tammany faithful and even would have thrown some of the faithful out of their <sup>easy</sup>~~jobs~~. So the wise men of Gotham decided there was nothing doing on ~~the~~ economies.

Latterly, however, the city has been in such straits that the rulers of the City Hall had to raise funds. So one way

they decided to do it was to levy a city tax on all automobiles registered within the New York limits. Of course they already pay a state tax and this city tax would just double what they had to pay for their cars.

This new taxation was passed by the Board of Aldermen this afternoon without giving the tax payers any chance to ~~protest~~ protest.

Another device of the wise men of Gotham at the City Hall was to levy a toll on all New York bridges. This, of course, will have ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> effect of isolating New York from surrounding communities, *so far as free transit is concerned,* Several of those surrounding communities are proposing to retaliate. In Long Island and in Westchester County <sup>live</sup> many people ~~live~~ who work in New York and have to come there every day. So they say if they are going to be taxed to use New York's bridges they will tax the New Yorkers who come there out and use their parkways. *No ho, some scull duggery here.*

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Altogether it's a lively squabble. New York's Mayor, a gentleman named O'Brien of whom nobody has ever heard outside New York, and in fact <sup>until</sup> ~~so~~ recently ~~that~~ very few people in New York had heard of him, is today the target for enough brickbats to fillup both the North and the East Rivers. The net result of this city taxation of motorists will be, of course, that thousands of people in New York City will have to put their cars away for the summer, as they can't afford this extra burden of taxation.

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HORSE

Now for a sidelight on British agriculture. ~~I found~~  
~~it in an English country paper.~~

A farmer was buying some medicine both for himself and for his horse, from the village druggist. As he did so, he said to the druggist, or chemist, as they call him in England: "Now be sure and write plain on them bottles, which is for the horse and which is for me."

Then he explained: "I don't want nothing to happen to that horse before the spring ploughing."

I don't want anything to happen to me because I stay too long on the air, so

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.

Brentford Expositor.