

1 Good Evening, Everybody:

2 ( Tonight there is a flood of clues,  
3 just clues. Some may mean something.  
4 Most ~~of them~~ are sheer nonsense. The  
5 main fact is that the ~~Lindbergh~~ baby is  
6 still missing. After two days of the  
7 most intense searching that this country  
8 has ever known, nobody seems to have <sup>Picked</sup> ~~got~~  
9 ~~onto~~ <sup>up</sup> the real trail of the kidnapers  
10 who stole the most famous baby in the  
11 world ~~from his crib~~ night before last.)

12 The New York Sun tells that the  
13 most promising clue is a letter which  
14 was mailed in New York. It directed  
15 that a 50,000-dollar ransom be made up  
16 of 10-and 20-dollar bills. If this  
17 letter is genuine, it might indicate  
18 that the kidnapers were afraid of the  
19 danger of changing large banknotes. But  
20 the letter does not give any instructions  
21 ~~as to~~ <sup>as to</sup> how the money is to be paid.

22 Another dramatic possible clue comes  
23 from Boston, but the police are inclined  
24 to believe it's a hoax. An excited woman  
25 mailed a letter in Boston today

1 addressed to Colonel Lindbergh. It  
2 stated that the missing child is being  
3 held by two men at Provincetown, New  
4 Jersey. The police believe that the  
5 name Provincetown was a mistake, and  
6 ~~that~~ that what the writer means is  
7 Provinceline, a village not far from  
8 the Lindbergh country home. The New York  
9 Evening Post explains that the wild and  
10 emotional appearance of the woman who  
11 mailed the letter leads the police to  
12 believe that she is just a crank.

13 Well, these letters are only a  
14 couple out of thousands. Police in  
15 various cities are being deluged by  
16 communications from people who give  
17 what purport to be clues, ~~to the~~  
18 ~~whereabouts of the missing~~ <sup>baby</sup> ~~son of Colonel~~  
19 ~~and Mrs. Lindbergh.~~

20 I have a telegram here from  
21 Inspector Harold King of the Nassau  
22 County, Long Island, police. He tells me  
23 that a police conference in Nassau  
24 County appeals to all real estate dealers  
25 and individuals who rent out or sublet

1 houses, especially houses in isolated  
 2 sections. ~~Anybody who has~~ <sup>*If you ~~with~~ have*</sup> tenants who  
 3 seem suspicious and who might be the  
 4 kidnappers, ~~is requested to~~ communicate  
 5 with the police. <sup>*Rural residents should*</sup>  
 6 <sup>*search roadsides. I have a wire from one N.Y.*</sup>  
 7 ~~This mention of houses in isolated~~  
 8 ~~sections would seem to indicate that the~~  
 9 ~~police suspect that the Lindbergh baby~~  
 10 ~~may be kept in some remote place.~~

11 The New York World-Telegram prints  
 12 an interview today with a detective who  
 13 has had a great deal of experience in  
 14 kidnapping cases. He is Michael  
 15 Fiaschetti, formerly head of the Italian  
 16 Squad of the New York Police Department,  
 17 who broke the famous Varotta kidnapping  
 18 case some years back.

19 "How could the kidnappers expect to  
 20 get the money?" Fiaschetti asked <sup>*S. ed.*</sup> "Why <sup>*and*</sup>  
 21 pick <sup>*he adds: -*</sup> a man so prominent as Lindbergh?" <sup>*then*</sup>  
 22 "A gang of real professional crooks would  
 23 know that it's much easier to get 100,000  
 24 dollars from <sup>*50,000*</sup> a big gambler than <sup>*^*</sup> from  
 25 the parents of the best-known baby in the  
 world. This was an <sup>*amateur*</sup> ~~inside~~ job, done by

1 somebody with brains enough to plan the  
2 crime, but with not enough experience  
3 to see how hard it would be to collect."

4 This well known detective's idea  
5 seems to be that ~~the~~ professional  
6 criminals would not have asked a mere  
7 50,000 dollars, and would have been too  
8 wise to commit a crime so sensational.  
9 And on the other hand, amateurs must have  
10 had inside information to do the job so  
11 skillfully.

12 And this is borne out by the  
13 opinion of Mrs. Dwight Morrow, the  
14 grandmother of the kidnapped child. She  
15 declares it must have been an inside  
16 job. She points out that Colonel and  
17 Mrs. Lindbergh and the baby made it their  
18 practice to spend ~~the~~ week-ends with *her, and*  
19 *those week ends included Tuesday. But this time*  
~~her. It was most unusual for them to~~  
20 ~~have been at their ~~happened~~ country house~~  
21 ~~on Tuesday night. It was only because~~  
22 the baby had a cold, *and that* ~~which~~ prevented the  
23 usual weekly trip to the grandmother's  
24 house in Englewood.

25 "How," asks Mrs. Morrow, "could the

1 kidnappers have known that the Lindberghs were staying at  
2 their place on Tuesday night, when they had never done so before?"  
3 And right in line with that comes the dramatically significant  
4 information that the police have been questioning a nursemaid who  
5 was discharged by the Lindberghs before the present nursemaid  
6 took her job.  
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9 In addition, four men were questioned late today by the  
10 police at the Lindbergh home.  
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12 Meanwhile, it is officially denied that Colonel Lindbergh  
13 has been in communication with the kidnappers. This denial is  
14 given by Governor A. Harry Moore, of New Jersey, who visited the  
15 stricken couple today. And yet the Governor added that there  
16 was a feeling of optimism among the family and the detectives  
17 who are investigating.  
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19 "Colonel Lindbergh expects something to happen at any  
20 minute," declared the Governor.  
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22 "What is the basis for that expectation?" a reporter  
23 asked.  
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25 "Oh, I guess it's just psychic," responded Governor

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Moore.

And so that's how this almost incredible case stands tonight.

The most determined search the world has ever known is still in full swing.

1           Meanwhile there are important  
2 developments in a sensational kidnapping  
3 case in Ohio. A picture of a former  
4 bootlegger has been identified as one  
5 of the men who kidnapped the twelve-year  
6 old school boy, James Dejute, son of  
7 a prominent contractor at Niles, Ohio.

8           The United Press wires that the  
9 wife of a local pastor got a clear  
10 look at the two men as they dragged  
11 the boy into their car, and now she  
12 has picked out the picture and said --  
13 "This is one of the men."

1           There is peace tonight in the  
2 Far East. A bit of sporadic sniping  
3 and fighting is still reported, but  
4 the official word is peace.

5           Japan announced to the League of  
6 Nations, which began its session today,  
7 that the Japanese forces had been  
8 ordered to stop fighting, unless they  
9 were attacked. The regiments of the  
10 Mikado have been instructed merely to  
11 ~~xxxxx~~ <sup>stop and</sup> dig in, ~~and hold their positions~~  
12 ~~and not to advance any further~~

13           And right after that comes word  
14 that the Chinese Army too has been  
15 ordered to stay where it is and to  
16 refrain from attacking the Japanese.

17           And so with both sides assuming  
18 a policy of not hitting the other fellow  
19 unless the other fellow starts the  
20 trouble, why that puts an end to the  
21 scrapping at least for the time being.

22           A United Press dispatch in the  
23 New York World-Telegram relates that the  
24 front <sup>which</sup> the Japanese are now holding, with  
25 a policy of watchful waiting, is that



1 same line twelve miles from Shanghai  
2 to which they had insisted the Chinese  
3 must withdraw.

4 The fighting forces of the  
5 Mikado pushed the regiments of China  
6 steadily backward until the goal was  
7 reached. The last thing the Japanese  
8 did was to capture the Woosung Forts  
9 which had held out against them so  
10 long.

11 *in the Far East*  
12 And so the fighting <sup>^</sup> has stopped,  
13 with both sides standing by their  
14 guns, although the Chinese delegates  
15 told the League of Nations today that  
16 China would not accept the Japanese *Armistice*  
17 ~~terms. for a regular Armistice.~~

1 Well, the race is tightening up.  
2 It's a real battle. The dry cause shows  
3 another gain in the new state by state  
4 returns in the Literary Digest Prohibition  
5 Poll.

6 And still more dramatically -  
7 here comes the first state to show a  
8 clear-cut vote in favor of prohibition.  
9 Yes, you guessed it - Kansas. Just as in  
10 the big poll of 1930, Kansas leads the  
11 dry cause, and carries aloft the banner  
12 of prohibition.

13 (Today's list gives us 24 states,  
14 and they are represented by a total of  
15 1,323,284 votes, which have been tabulated  
16 and analyzed thus far. The dry cause is  
17 supported by 299,207, while the vote  
18 against prohibition is 1,024,077.)

19 ~~Let's see what this means in the~~  
20 ~~trend, which is the most important thing~~  
21 ~~just now.~~

22 We've had three state by state  
23 returns thus far. The first piled up a  
24 huge wet lead. The dry percentage of  
25 the vote was only 15.85. But in the

1 second list of state by state returns,  
2 that dry percentage had increased by  
3 nearly four points. 19.28 was the  
4 showing prohibition made. ~~in that second~~  
5 ~~list of returns.~~ And today the dry  
6 cause makes another advance in the  
7 percentage figures. The dries now have  
8 a percentage of 22.61. ~~That means that~~  
9 ~~prohibition has gained nearly seven~~  
10 ~~points since the first state by state~~  
11 ~~returns were made public. Yes, the~~  
12 ~~dry vote is creeping higher.~~

13 ~~And now~~ <sup>But</sup> here's the first dry  
14 majority. ~~that any state has shown thus~~  
15 ~~far in the poll.~~ The total vote from  
16 Kansas, ~~that has been~~ checked and  
17 classified to date is 16,757. 8,590  
18 of these ballots testify <sup>to</sup> the faith of  
19 the sunflower state in prohibition. And  
20 the ~~xxx~~ wet minority vote is 8,167.)

21 The Digest experts in this  
22 week's issue, do some shrewd analyzing.  
23 They compare the returns from the same  
24 states two years ago. Thus they give  
25 us the trend since 1930. And that is

1 vitally significant.

2 Arkansas almost matches Kansas.

3 Arkansas almost goes dry, not quite.

4 ~~but almost.~~

5 But it's a different story when  
6 we come to an industrial state like  
7 Connecticut, which piles up a vote five  
8 to one against prohibition.

9 Georgia goes the same way too,  
10 but only by 2 to 1.

11 Illinois, with the huge vote cast  
12 in Chicago, seems to be running true to  
13 form. It's nearly four to one against  
14 prohibition.

15 The wet sentiment in Indiana  
16 is not so strong. The vote is about  
17 two to one.

18 Iowa shows a still smaller  
19 wet majority.

20 Maine, the original dry state,  
21 continues to cast its majority against  
22 prohibition, ~~although the vote from the~~  
23 ~~state as a whole is not so wet as in~~  
24 ~~the case of some of those cities in~~  
25 ~~Maine that we've been hearing from.~~

1           Those of you who have been  
2 following the returns from the cities,  
3 will be interested to observe how the  
4 state-wide vote tends to be drier. The  
5 city vote from Maryland was a good deal  
6 wetter than today's returns from the  
7 state, which are a little more than two  
8 and a half to one, and Massachusetts  
9 runs about the same.

10           Michigan, in the north, because  
11 of Detroit, is running more than three  
12 to one wet, while Mississippi in the  
13 South is only about two to one wet,  
14 about the same as Georgia.

15           New Hampshire in the north is  
16 about two to one also.

17           And <sup>for the</sup> ~~how about~~ the twins, New  
18 Jersey and New York? Well, they both  
19 register heavy majorities against  
20 prohibition. New Jersey, more than five  
21 to one, and New York, more than six to  
22 one. Ohio now stands better than two  
23 to one, and Pennsylvania more than 3 to  
24 1.

25           But ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ here's a state

1 that's somewhat different. In North  
2 Carolina the vote is close, with the wets  
3 leading.

4 ~~xxx~~ Little Rhode Island also  
5 continues its protest against prohibition  
6 by more than five to one.

7 In South Carolina the balloting  
8 is fairly close, but the wets still lead.  
9 And Tennessee is even closer. ~~still~~

10 In Vermont the vote is about 2½  
11 to 1.

12 Virginia is running a good deal  
13 like its sister state of West Virginia,  
14 ~~about~~ 2 to 1 *against prohibition.*

15 Well, those are the state by  
16 state returns. You'll find them all  
17 listed and tabulated in the new Literary  
18 Digest, that's just out. They are there  
19 with important points of analysis and  
20 comparison with the poll of 1930. *And the*  
21 *figures are most fascinating.*

22 By the way, last week in  
23 reading some of the day-by-day returns,  
24 my foot slipped. I spoke of Ames, Iowa,  
25 ~~xxx~~ as the home of the State University.  
I should have said, home of <sup>the</sup> Agricultural

1 College. The State University is at  
2 Iowa City, where the vote is 211 for  
3 continuance, 490 for repeal.

4 Davenport, Iowa, is wetter, about  
5 9 to 1: 283 for, 2,435 against.

6 Here's Salt Lake City: 484 say  
7 yes, 1,658 say no.

8 Spokane, isn't quite so wet:  
9 1376 for, 2876 against.

10 Here's Minneapolis again:  
11 3961 for the Amendment, 14,775 for a  
12 change.

13 Trenton, New Jersey: 840 say yes,  
14 5,873 say no, we are opposed to <sup>prohibition</sup> ~~the 18th~~  
15 ~~Amendment.~~

16 Hartford, Connecticut, 548 for,  
17 2,992 against. 5 to 1.

18 And Montgomery, Alabama, stands  
19 3 to 1. 357 for continuance, 1100 for  
20 repeal.

21 Here's a close race: Marion,  
22 Indiana, sends 486 votes for the  
23 Amendment, and 500 for repeal.

24 But now comes the closest of all.  
25 El Dorado, Kansas: 158 for, 158 against.  
A tie. <sup>tie</sup> And that ends the reading of the  
returns tonight.

1 The Court of Appeals at Albany,  
2 New York, handed <sup>down</sup> ~~out~~ a decision today  
3 which constitutes something of a set-back  
4 for the Hofstader Committee, which,  
5 under the direction of Samuel Seabury  
6 has been investigating political  
7 conditions in New York City.

8 The Court of Appeals reversed the  
9 decisions of a lower court in the case  
10 of John A. Hastings, who was sentenced  
11 to a thirty-day term in jail for  
12 contempt. ~~of court.~~

13 And, <sup>adds</sup> ~~says~~ the New York Evening  
14 Post, the court handed down a second  
15 decision in favor of Dr. William F. Doyle  
16 who was also sentenced on a charge of  
17 contempt, ~~of court~~, because he had  
18 failed to testify freely before the  
19 Hofstader Committee.



1 I have a neat story here which  
2 tells about the time when Emily Post  
3 said "So long until tomorrow." In the  
4 New York Herald-Tribune, the famous  
5 author of the Book of Etiquette relates  
6 how she is consulted by people far and  
7 wide on the subject of the correct thing  
8 to do on various occasions. ~~And she,~~  
9 ~~being the country's great expert on the~~  
10 ~~subject of etiquette, advises them~~  
11 ~~concerning the proprieties.~~

12 ~~On one occasion~~ an important  
13 state executive wrote ~~to~~ her <sup>for</sup> ~~and asked~~  
14 ~~her~~ advice <sup>as to</sup> ~~about~~ how he should get up  
15 his personal note paper and official  
16 letterheads.

17 As this concerned a matter of  
18 government and official dignity, Emily  
19 Post was ~~perhaps a trifle timid.~~ She  
20 wanted to check <sup>carefully</sup> ~~up~~ on the subject, ~~and~~  
21 ~~so~~ She went to an internationally-known  
22 jewelry house, famous for its  
23 cosmopolitan, perfect manners. There she  
24 spoke to a suave gentleman.

25 "I want to ask," said Emily Post,

1 "about the proper form to use for  
2 official stationery."

3 ~~And she went ahead and explained~~  
4 ~~the problem.~~

5 "Can you help me?" ~~on this~~  
6 ~~question,~~ she asked.

7 "Why certainly," responded the  
8 suave gentleman, "I have it all right  
9 here.

10 And he reached for a handsome-  
11 looking volume.

12 "Let's see what Emily Post says  
13 about it," he suggested.

14 And that was when America's  
15 authority on etiquette said --

16 SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.  
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