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3 GREETINGS EVERYBODY:

4 I'M a little out of breath tonight.  
5 Since I dropped in at your house with the  
6 news Saturday evening I've traveled  
7 about sixteen hundred miles - out to  
8 Cincinnati, Ohio, and back. ~~again~~ I only  
9 stayed there a few hours and then dashed  
10 ~~back~~ east again.

11 In a way I look upon Cincinnati as  
12 my home town -- or one of my home towns.  
13 ~~perhaps would be more accurate.~~ I lived  
14 there once, for a year - when I was <sup>a</sup> ~~one~~  
15 year old.

16 ~~By the way,~~ <sup>as you perhaps know</sup> Cincinnati <sup>^</sup> is one of  
17 the most beautifully situated cities in  
18 the world -- on a series of high hills  
19 overlooking a wide sweep of the Ohio  
20 River. A marvelous place to live.

21 On my way back I sort of caught  
22 the news on the fly. Newspapers and  
23 dispatches were brought to me all along  
24 the line - at Washington, Baltimore and  
25 Philadelphia. Our fat, jovial sleeping

1 car porter, William Washington Abernathy  
2 brought them to me.

3 And when I arrived in New York  
4 a little while ago, as I stepped into my  
5 office at The Literary Digest, a news  
6 dispatch from Washington came right in  
7 hot on my heels ---a late flash right  
8 from the Capitol---news that millions of  
9 people are waiting to hear.

10 Yes, ~~the~~ Soldiers Bonus Bill  
11 has passed the House of Representatives.  
12 The House passed it late this afternoon  
13 after a debate of only 40 minutes.

14 Speaker Longworth, Republican  
15 leader, was for the bonus bill although  
16 the White House was known to be against it.  
17 Everybody expected the measure would pass.  
18 And that, according to the International  
19 News Service dispatch, is just what  
20 happened. The vote was overwhelming---  
21 363 to 39!

22 The bill, as you know, is in-  
23 tended to enable veterans to borrow as  
24 much as 50% on the face value of their  
25 bonus certificates. Heretofore they've

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been able to borrow only 22½%.

The bill will go to the Senate tomorrow. It will be debated upon there and undoubtedly will pass. Then it will go to the President, who will either sign it or veto it.

1                   As the train was passing  
2 through Philadelphia a message from  
3 Cincinnati was handed me, an Associated  
4 Press News dispatch from the city I had  
5 just left. It told of a serious fire  
6 that had broken out in Cincinnati this  
7 morning. It was in the factory of the  
8 Pick Pen Company. An explosion preceded  
9 the fire. The fumes of burning celluloid  
10 and other chemicals filled the building.  
11 Twenty employes were overcome, but  
12 Cincinnati firemen arrived in time to  
13 rescue them and prevent a more serious  
14 disaster.

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# PRIZE EIGHT

1           It was definitely announced today  
2 that the next heavyweight championship  
3 **f**ight would be held--as has been  
4 **e**xpected--in Chicago on June 19th.  
5 Young Stribling will try to take the  
6 heavyweight championship of the world away  
7 from the present title holder, Max  
8 Schmeling, of Germany. That also is  
9 as expected. This is an International  
10 News Service dispatch ~~which merely~~  
11 <sup>confirms</sup> what has been <sup>rumored</sup> ~~told~~ before.

1 I guess we might as well take  
 2 up the old subject of Yale, Harvard  
 3 and Princeton, and this time the  
 4 tremendous question arises - WHO IS  
 5 THE TRADITIONAL RIVAL OF WHOM?

6 The Yale Athletic Board of  
 7 Control has announced that hereafter  
 8 the Yale Harvard game will not always  
 9 be Yale's last game of the season. It  
 10 will be the last game ~~XXXXXX~~ every  
 11 other year. That is, Yale will  
 12 finish up the season with Harvard  
 13 one year, and then the next year will  
 14 play Princeton after it has played  
 15 Harvard.

16 And so the <sup>query</sup>~~question~~ arises:  
 17 WHO IS YALE'S TRADITIONAL RIVAL? The  
 18 game with the traditional rival is  
 19 customarily the last game of the season  
 20 and by splitting ~~the~~ that last game of  
 21 the season between Harvard and Princeton,  
 22 Yale signifies that both teams are  
 23 equally its traditional rival.

24 <sup>Some consider this a place kick right between</sup>  
 25 <sup>traditional</sup> That is rather a <sup>goal post,</sup> kick at the  
 26 Harvard's football and, according to the

New York Sun, some people think that it will bring back the old football regime of the Big Three, and cause Harvard and Princeton to resume their gridiron battles.

I suppose all we can do now is sing the refrain: Who is the traditional rival of whom?

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# DIAMONDS

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2 be about the Rand in South Africa or the  
3 wilds of South America or some romantic  
4 section of Asia -- because it is about  
5 diamond mines.

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7 diamond country is given in this dispatch  
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1 Well, apparently there are  
2 some things that even the world famous  
3 Arkansas traveler didn't know. If you  
4 had mentioned discovering diamonds in  
5 Arkansas to him, he probably would have  
6 just gone on to say -- "that <sup>that</sup> road don't  
7 go nowhere<sup>s</sup>, it stays right here."

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NEWS ITEM

When my train passed through Baltimore at noon today I plucked up a copy of the Baltimore Sun, edited by my friend Mark Watson. He was Captain Mark Watson when I last saw him in France, 13 years ago.

Well, I was just looking through the Sun when the sleeping car porter came along, again and he stopped to exchange a few words and tell me about the problems of the sleeping car porters. So I asked William Washington Abernathy to take the paper and glance through it and come back and tell me what was the most interesting bit of news -- the News Item of the Day, in his opinion.

He came back and said: "Boss, hyas a story about rustlin' cows. I suppose most of us associate cattle rustling with the old West -- the West that has just about vanished. I did a bit of cowpunching years ago on my father's ranch. It was on the Ute Indian Reservation near Durango, Colorado, in one of the most

1 remote sections of this country. And  
2 even then cattle rustling was almost  
3 unknown.

4 But it appears that cattle rustling  
5 is on the upgrade now. They blame the  
6 automobile. The old-time horse-riding  
7 cattle thieves have been succeeded by  
8 rubber tired rustlers. In the old days  
9 cattle could be tracked across the plain.  
10 Today stolen ~~cattle~~<sup>steers</sup> are transported in  
11 motor trucks and whisked swiftly away,  
12 and no trail is left. In the old days,  
13 ~~when~~<sup>after</sup> the rancher's posse had trailed the  
14 cattle, the animals could be recognized.  
15 Today they are turned into dressed  
16 beeves almost before the theft has been  
17 discovered, and are sold to lumber ~~camps~~<sup>outlets</sup>  
18 and mining camps. The hides, which  
19 might be recognized, are buried.

20 It has ~~got~~<sup>grown</sup> so bad that the Wyoming  
21 Stock Growers' Association want<sup>s</sup> to make  
22 it unlawful to transport animals in  
23 trucks without a permit signed by the  
24 owner of the ~~animals~~<sup>cattle</sup>. They want special  
25 truck inspectors to patrol the highways,

1 and airplanes to scout over the <sup>roads</sup> ~~highways~~  
2 and spot trucks carrying cattle. The  
3 West-South Dakota Protective Association  
4 recently announced that it would pay ~~a~~ a  
5 \$500 reward for the capture of ~~those~~ any  
6 modern automobile-riding cattle-rustlers.

7 Governor Adams, of Colorado, is a  
8 rancher, and the foreman of his ranch  
9 is William Carson, a great-grandson of  
10 the famous Indian scout ~~and Western~~  
11 ~~character~~, Kit Carson. Well, those  
12 modern cattle rustlers recently stole  
13 four steers from Governor Adams' ranch,  
14 ~~and from~~ right under the nose of the  
15 great-grandson of Kit Carson.

16 ~~Well, the boys had better call out~~  
17 ~~the posses, although the posses don't~~  
18 ~~seem to be of much use any more.~~

19 That's your modern cattle  
20 rustler.

SPAIN

It looks this evening as if King Alfonso over in Spain may lose his crown. He has been trying to get somebody to form a Cabinet that will have enough political support to be able to stand up and face the tide of unrest.

~~And now, according to an Associated Press, dispatch that I saw in the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin, he has asked Sanchez Guerra, the leader of the Constitutionals Party, to try to form a cabinet. Guerra has accepted and is lining up political support.~~

The crucial point of the matter is that Guerra is the leader of a large section of the public which demands that a constitutional convention be held to decide whether Spain is to remain a monarchy or become a republic.

~~A late dispatch from the International News Service states that Guerra has visited the leaders of the Republican and Socialist parties to try to get them to take a hand in the government he is trying to form. Most of these leaders are in jail. They~~

1 told him they would gladly help him ~~to~~  
2 form a government<sup>^</sup> but only under one  
3 condition and that condition ~~was~~<sup>is</sup> that  
4 King Alfonso must first leave the country.

5 The King meanwhile announced that he  
6 would not leave ~~the country~~<sup>Spain</sup> until a  
7 constitutional convention has been held  
8 to decide whether he ought to remain  
9 King or not.

10 Senor Guerra says he is confident that  
11 he will be able to form a cabinet and  
12 claims that one Republican at least is  
13 willing to join it.

14 The United Press reports that if a  
15 Guerra cabinet is formed, it will consist  
16 for the most part of liberal monarchists.

17 All in all, one thing is evident --  
18 that King Alfonso is sitting on a very  
19 shaky throne.

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ENGLISH STRIKE

Things are picking up over in the Black country in England. In the Philadelphia Ledger I saw an Associated Press cable from Manchester stating that over a quarter million

Lancashire cotton mill workers went back to work today and thus brought to an end a long and serious strike.

And I suppose over in Helsingfors tonight a lot of the boys are shouting: "Hurray for Svinhufvud!"



1 Here comes a new president.

2 Herbert Hoover may be the President  
3 of the United States, but P. E.  
4 Svinhufvud is the President of Finland.

5 In Finland the president is  
6 elected by 300 delegates who are chosen  
7 by the people. They got together today,  
8 and by a very slender majority elected  
9 the leader of the Coalition Party.

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1 Now let's see. I suppose the  
2 thing to say here is that it's hard to  
3 do right by somebody without doing  
4 wrong by somebody else.

5 An Associated Press dispatch  
6 states that Mile. Esterhazy had a run-in  
7 ~~in~~ with Monsieur Richepin. Well, that  
8 doesn't seem important except that Mile.  
9 ~~is~~ Esterhazy is the daughter of Major  
10 Esterhazy and that may not seem important  
11 either until we learn that Major  
12 Esterhazy is supposed by many to be the  
13 real villain in the world <sup>renowned</sup> ~~wide known~~  
14 Dreyfus case.

15 Dreyfus was convicted of selling  
16 French military secrets to Germany, and  
17 then was exonerated as a much persecuted  
18 innocent man. And Major Esterhazy  
19 is represented as the man who really  
20 sold the ~~German~~ secrets <sup>to the Germans.</sup>

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21 Monsieur Richepin comes into  
22 the story because he has recently written  
23 a play adapted from the German. The  
24 play is about the Dreyfus case and  
25 Major Esterhazy is represented as the

1 villain.

2           And so the daughter of that  
3 Major Esterhazy met the author of the  
4 play, ~~on the street~~, and just what  
5 happened is a bit confused. The  
6 playwright says that she called him  
7 miserable <sup>low fellow</sup> and bawled him out generally.  
8 ~~But~~ But rumor has it that the lady  
9 lit into the playwright with a  
10 ~~horse~~ horsewhip.

11           Anyway, ~~it's~~ some new dramatics <sup>have</sup>  
12 ~~the~~ <sup>now been introduced into</sup> the already sufficiently dramatic  
13 Dreyfus case.

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*This one goes in  
romance genre.*

Well, there isn't any use trying to tell this next item, with any attempt at romantic effects. The simple facts are sufficient. Away high up in the French Alps, while a violent blizzard was raging, a group of nuns laid away the body of their Abbess. Out in the open, in a craggy cemetery, while the snow and wind were lashing about them, they placed the Abbess in her tomb.

She was the Marchesa di Rudini Carlotti, a daughter of the Antonio di Rudini, who was a premier in the kingdom of Italy. She had been likewise the wife of a multi-millionaire. She was famous as a beauty and as a woman devoted to athletic sports.

Poet d'Annunzio fell in love with her. The beautiful Marchesa was one of the great romances in the life of the poet of many romances. D'Annunzio made her famous in that day by praising her in wild, infatuate verse. He completed the task of immortalizing her by making her

1 the principal figure in one of his most  
2 fiery novels.

3 When her brother died and her father  
4 killed himself. The brilliant young woman  
5 gave all of her fortune amounting to five  
6 million dollars to charity and retired to  
7 the seclusion of a Carmelite Convent.

8 She devoted herself to penance and  
9 prayer, and then recently achieved the  
10 great ambition of her monastic life. She  
11 founded a convent of her own high up in  
12 the Alps. According to the International  
13 News Service, she exposed herself to storm  
14 and snow in her work at her convent. As  
15 a result, she fell ill and did not recover.

16 The poet d'Annunzio has created  
17 many strange and dramatic stories, but  
18 none so strange and dramatic as the actual  
19 stories of the women who passed across the  
20 pages of his life.

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1 In glancing through the  
2 Washington papers on the train, in the  
3 Scripps-Howard Daily News I came across  
4 a few lines of rhyme by George S.  
5 Holmes. Although I haven't seen  
6 him for many years I understand this  
7 is the same George Holmes who was  
8 my first city editor on a <sup>big</sup> ~~metropolitan~~  
9 newspaper. That was in Denver,  
10 Colorado twenty years ago.

11 Well, in the eyes of the average  
12 cub reporter a city editor is generally  
13 anything but a poet. In fact the cub  
14 looks with awe at the great man, the  
15 city editor, and regards him as a  
16 combination of Socrates, Nero and  
17 Simon Legree. George was all of that -  
18 to me. And when I approached the desk  
19 of the great man my knees knocked and  
20 my tongue clove to the roof of my mouth.

21 And now George is a poet - writing  
22 political rhymes in Washington. His  
23 verses in today's paper concern the trials  
24 ~~of a newspaper reporter~~ <sup>of</sup> most anyone  
25 who wants to have a chat with his

1 senator or congressman, ~~in Washington.~~

2 His ~~xxxx~~ poem runs as follows:

3 WHEN A SENATOR IS BUSY

4 OH, AS BUSY AS A BEE,

5 AND YOU ASK SOMEONE, WHERE IS HE?

6 HE'S THE MAN I'VE GOT TO SEE,

7 DON'T LET THE NEWS SURPRISE YOU

8 BUT JUST TAKE IT WITH A BOW,

9 WHEN OFFICE CLERKS APPRIZE YOU

10 HE'S "IN CONFERENCE" JUST NOW.

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12 WHEN CONSTITUENTS ARE CALLING

13 WITH A BATCH OF "NUT" REQUESTS,

14 AND A CONGRESSMAN IS STALLING

15 TO AVOID PERSISTENT PESTS,

16 WHY SHOULD SUCH THINGS PERTURB HIM

17 WHEN A CLERK HAS BUT TO SAY,

18 WE REALLY CAN'T DISTURB HIM--

19 HE'S "IN CONFERENCE" ALL DAY.

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21 WHEN YOU HEAR LOUD GALES OF LAUGHTER

22 COMING FROM THE INNER ROOM,

23 AND GUFFAWS RESOUNDING AFTER

24 TILL THE VERY RAFTERS BOOM,

25 DON'T THINK YOUR MAN IS CHAFFING

1 BUT JUST MOP YOUR FEVERED BROW  
 2 AND JOIN THE PLEASANT LAFFING--  
 3 HE'S "IN CONFERENCE"-- AND HOW!  
 4 Which is the way they do it  
 5 in Washington -- says George.

7 AND now the shades of night are falling  
 8 As poet George would say  
 9 And I hear my supper calling;  
 10 Calling, calling me away.

11 ~~George's plaintive little jingle~~

12 George's plaintive little jingle  
 13 Reminds me I must fly  
 14 To a conference, to mingle  
 15 With a luscious chicken pie.

17 That is - if I'm lucky. At any  
 18 rate, so long until tomorrow.