

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

We were invited today to contemplate a picture of
Uncle Sam and John Bull as ^{Gendarmes} ~~cops~~, joining forces to police the world.
And that for a hundred years, at least. The spokesman, ~~was~~ Colonel
Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy. ^{Sec. Knox uttered} ~~he threw out~~ ^{doctrine} ~~this proposal~~ in
all seriousness at the Sixty-Fourth Annual Convention of the American
Bar Association at Indianapolis. He put it bluntly indeed when he
declared that the United States "must join our force, our power,
with that of Great Britain, another great peace-loving nation, to
stop at its beginnings ^{any} new aggression^s which might lead to a world
disturbance."

He went on to say that this policing of the world was
inevitable, ^{Sec. Knox} ~~and he~~ is convinced we ^{shall be} ~~have been~~ driven to it by the
sheer logic of events. A system of international law by force, if
need be, until ~~XXXXXXXX~~ world opinion the world over submits to a rule

of law. That's the way he phrased ^{it.} ~~his proposal.~~ ^{Said he:-} And he said:

"We shall have to provide an interregnum in which we shall not only devote ourselves to the pursuit of peaceful aims, but provide the essential might to enforce a peace on those who are not willing voluntarily to pursue such a course."

~~was~~ ^{Sa said a} That's just part of the dynamite let loose at Indianapolis

~~by the~~ member of ~~the~~ President Roosevelt's Cabinet who was once

Republican ^W Candidate for Vice-President. For many months the

President's critics have been charging that his foreign policy, if carried to its logical conclusion, would finish by landing us

^{running the} in the job of ~~copper for the whole~~ world. Today Mr. Roosevelt's

^{says that's a job} ~~XXXXX~~ Navy Secretary ~~makes no bones about it.~~

^{somebody must do.}

The Secretary ~~XXXXXXX~~ said a lot of other interesting things. Among them, that the United States must give up the fatuous folly that it will not fight unless invaded. Then he threw down the gauntlet to the Axis. "The British and American navies," he declared, "are sweeping the German pirates from the North Atlantic

^{added See.} and eventually," ~~said~~ Knox, "we shall lock Nazi Germany up in an

^{within} iron ring and ~~then~~ that ring of sea power she shall perish.

Our safety and prosperity in the world of the future," he continued, "depends upon three factors:- One:-Freedom of the seas; Two:-Equal opportunity for world trade; Three:- The condition that sea power must not be made the instrument of selfish aggression."

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Then he continued:- "It is the hope of the world that sea power for the next hundred years at least will reside in the hands of the two great nations which now possess that power, the United States and Great Britain." And he said further that he had no doubts that we shall proceed from one measure to another until we have taken adequate steps to bring defeat to the legions of Hitler and his satellites in Italy and Japan.

Important words - coming
~~Strong words indeed~~ from a Cabinet Minister! One can only presume that they were uttered with the ~~fair~~ knowledge and sanction of the White House, ~~or else that the chief of the~~ ~~administration has given the Navy Secretary a free hand,~~ ~~carte blanche to say anything that he believes.~~

ICELAND

Soldiers of Uncle Sam's regular army are now in Iceland.

The first detachment the President sent to help the British up there consisted entirely of marines. But now the Army has reinforced the leathernecks. Major General C. H. Bonesteel is in command,

cooperating with the British forces and with Uncle Sam's marines.

The doughboys have come equipped with not only Garrand automatic rifles but ^{with} snow-shoes and skis.

UNREST

50 ✓ There was drama in plenty of places today, drama at the Yankee Stadium, drama in Russia, and, strangely enough, drama in Drama. For Drama happens to be also the name of a district in Greece. It's one of the places where the conquered people^s of Europe have been flaring up against the rigors of Nazi rule. For two whole days, Hitler's army of occupation had to cope with an uprising in Drama.

But that wasn't the only one. From all over Europe the Nazis report blood purges. In western Serbia, the guerrillas have made so much trouble for the Axis occupation, that the Nazis have threatened to bomb Belgrade. A Hungarian Government newspaper officially reports a list of thirty people executed in another province of Yugoslavia. The effect of those executions was that Communists promptly loosened the rails on the railroad and tried to wreck the trains. So the Nazis executed twelve more with a firing squad and seized thirty-eight ^{others} ~~people~~ as hostages.

In Paris, the police continued to make searches from house to house, and came upon supplies of arms, ammunition and

explosive ^{which} ~~that~~ they confiscated; and, they made seven more arrests.

Vichy announced today that the persecution of Jews will be extended to unoccupied France. Business firms in Lyons, Nice and Toulouse, owned by Jews, are confiscated and so-called Aryar ^{have just been} administrators ~~are~~ appointed to liquidate them.

In Berlin, it is announced that General Alois Elias has been sentenced to death for plotting the military rebellion in Czechoslovakia. He's the man whom the Nazis themselves put in as Premier of the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia. The Nazis declare that he confessed.

In Rumania, Hitler's Gestapo has become more and more active, ^{seizing} ~~has grabbed~~ more and more power. The unrest and sabotage rampant throughout Ex-King Carol's former domain have been increasing so much that Dictator General Antonescu has been obliged to give up some of his powers as Dictator and hand them over to ^{Gestapo.} ~~Gestapo Chief~~ Himmler's ~~men~~. Travelers from Bucharest report that armed men frequently appear in the crowded streets and round up all pedestrians. This is done under the direction of Himmler's ~~Gestapo~~ agents. Some travelers go so far as to report that General Antonescu

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has given up the command of Rumanian troops outside Rumanian
territory and has been pushed down into the job of Defense Minister,
the position of Premier being handed to ^{a relative,} Michael Antonescu,
~~presumably his brother or cousin.~~

WAR FOLLOW UNREST

Of course, for us it's hard to tell just how important the disturbances are. We don't know how effective they are, how much of the Nazi strength they withdraw from the battleline.

The Nazis tell us they have plenty of man-power for their military campaigns and enough Gestapo agents to take care of any disturbances that arise in Europe. For the latter they are said to be using Austrians, and older men.

Occasionally silence becomes news, and tonight the silence of the German high command may indicate that a new drive is underway. So far as we know the Germans are at a standstill around Leningrad. In the center of Russia they are still on the defensive; and, east of Kiev they are believed to be advancing slowly. Some observers believe that Hitler's generals are organizing a new drive in the south, so as to push on past the Donets industrial basin into the Caucasus before snow flies.

What news from Moscow? Well, the Soviet high command claims that they have caused enemy casualties of over two hundred and sixty thousand around Leningrad and Odessa. In the south, they declare,

the Rumanians lost a hundred and sixty thousand in the siege of Odessa. And, they say that in making a surprise attack on the Nazis in the southwest, they destroyed the Ninth Panzer Division entirely, captured four hundred German tanks, two hundred field guns, and wrecked eight hundred and forty-six Nazi planes.

Also, they go into particularized details about the Leningrad front, where the Reds say they battered four Nazi infantry divisions, a tank division, a motorized division and a Storm Troop division so terrifically that whole contingents were completely wiped out. The Reds also tell us that they killed four Nazi generals. Furthermore Moscow adds that the Germans are unable to cope with that formidable old time Russian "general", General Winter. The Russians claims that one German regiment mutineed, and they tell just which regiment it was -- mutineed and refused to attack when ordered.

On the other hand, Moscow admits having evacuated Poltava, which the Nazis claimed to have captured last week.

And here's a fairly late report from the capital of

Finland. The Finns have captured a place called Petrozavodsk, a port on Lake Onega, right on that railway from Leningrad to northern Murmansk. We hear that the white and blue flag of Finland flies over the principal building in Petrozavodsk tonight. This would mean that the Finns have cut the Soviet lifeline to the north.

CONFERENCE

The tri-power conference for aid to Russia ended today.

The United States and ^{Britain}~~Russia~~ agreed to grant the Russians

"practically every requirement which Soviet military and civil
authorities desired."

CHINA

In the Far East we have a ~~mystery~~ about Changsha, capital of the Chinese Province of Hunan. Last Saturday the Japanese claimed to have captured the ~~place~~ ^{city}, and the Chinese denied it. Today, the press bureau of the Japanese Army announces that its troops will evacuate Changsha, having achieved their objective.

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A spokesman for Chiang Kai-shek declares that Changsha has never been out of Chinese hands. On the contrary, the Chiang Kai-shek armies in the northern part of the Province have encircled the Japanese.

Tokyo is doing its ~~utmost~~ ^{utmost} to talk terms with Chiang Kai-shek. The Japanese admit ~~that themselves~~ ^{this}. They also admit that they are ~~not~~ ^{not} getting ~~to first base~~ ^{anywhere}. They want Marshal Chiang to throw over the United States, Britain and Russia and ~~cooperate~~ ^{that's all}. ~~the old story, the old army game. Chiang still isn't~~ ^{having any}.

HIGHWAY

The defense program may bring into being a project for which many have been hoping -- a highway to Alaska. It's being considered now as a defense measure. Mayor LaGuardia of New York has been telling about it, not as Mayor of New York, but as Chairman of the Joint Canadian-United States Defense Board.

LaGuardia tells us that the President feels that an engineering survey of the route should be started at once.

GASOLINE

some more talk

There was ~~the dance to pay~~ about gasoline, at Washington

today. Secretary Ickes is back on his job as Oil Coordinator, *and*

lashing out at those

~~hitting back at the people~~ who charged him with having given the

public a false picture of ^a gasoline shortage which doesn't exist.

His chief target was J. J. Pelley, ^{the} President of the Association

of American Railroads, who told the Senate Committee investigating

~~the~~ oil that there were twenty thousand railroad tank cars

available that could be used for hauling oil east.

Sec. Ickes reported that his office had been trying to find those twenty thousand idle tank cars and could find only five thousand two hundred of them. Pelly, he said, is an old hand at *Co-ordinator* conniving to stop competition for the railroads. Ickes also said that Pelly has confused the public mind, shown himself willing to sacrifice the safety and security of his own country to prevent transportation facilities that would undersell his railroads. *Sec.* Ickes then went on to give facts, ~~xi~~ about oil stocks in the east. He says there are six million barrels less than there were on hand this time last year, and on the other hand a ten per cent *larger* ~~increase~~ *in the* demand. He told the Senators that the oil situation had

been misrepresented by persons and organizations with motives that would not bear scrutiny. Those were his words.

~~Evidently it's going to be an out and out fight between~~

~~Ickes and~~ President Pelley of the Association of American Railways,

Pelley has asked for permission to appear before the Committee

tomorrow ^{to} ~~and~~ answer the statements that Ickes made today. Senator

Maloney, Chairman of the Committee, ^{see.} ~~said~~ ^{states that} he had complete confidence

in Pelley. ^{TP see.} ^{today} Ickes declared that the work of his office had been

seriously handicapped by the first report of the Senate Committee, which stated that there ~~was~~ was no shortage of gasoline at present.

BASEBALL

Today folks all over the world were listening to that game the Yanks won, three to two. I don't remember ever before having read in a cable from Britain of such interest in a World Series. Probably because of all those flyers in the American Eagle Squadron and the Royal Canadian Air Force. And it's interesting to learn that the Eagle Squadron has bet so much money on Brooklyn that the Yanks are only four to three favorites. Also, the Canadian flyers in England are said to be backing the Dodgers.

And in the Far East they were listening in today. Not only at Manila and Shanghai, but at Tokyo. The Japanese have long been keen about baseball. In the Mikado's land, the Yankees are two to one favorites.

In Schenectady, the radio station there was beaming a broadcast of the game towards Latin-America, while W.G.E.A. turned the beam to Newfoundland and Iceland.

Well, it was a two hundred and sixty-five thousand dollar ball game at the Stadium this afternoon, and, the boys played super World Series ball. The score tells the story, three to two. Nor did the Yankees outblast the Dodgers. To be sure,

Joe Gordon for the first hit of the game did smack out a home run with nobody on base. Aside from that it was good, keen, well-fielded, scientifically played baseball. Yankee pitcher Red Ruffing, supposed to be slipping, was in top form. He allowed hits and he allowed bases on balls -- not many of either -- but whenever he got into a jam he got himself out!

Though I admit I was rooting for Our Bums to win, there's no denying that the Yankees out-played them. Manager Lippy Leo Durocher explained it with "We didn't hit", and he added, "You can't win if you don't hit."

The thrill of the game to me was Medwick's catch -- one-handed -- of a ball that had home run written on it. And now a homerun from Hugh.