

Good Evening, Everybody!

1 Trouble ~~has~~ flared up in Egypt *today*.
2 A strike of railway shopmen is on,
3 and the strikers clashed with the police
4 in the city of Cairo.

5 According to the Associated Press,
6 several thousand workmen started to
7 raise cane in the railways shops. The
8 Egyptian police surrounded the buildings.
9 The strikers kept them off by playing
10 a fire hose on them.

11 There was severe fighting in the
12 streets as the police and strikers
13 engaged in a wild melee. The police
14 used machine guns on the rioters. 10
15 men are reported to be killed ^{- possibly more -} and many
16 wounded. Among the dead are said to
17 be three English constables.

18 While this strike trouble was
19 going on, Egypt held an election today.
20 In the afternoon trouble broke out in
21 the center of Cairo. Mobs attacked
22 and burned trolley cars and busses.
23 Lamp posts were torn down and thrown
24 across the streets to block traffic.

25 But this evening, according to

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the International News Service, order
has been restored, ~~in the city.~~

1 News from China tonight sounds
2 like a promise that there won't be much
3 news. The Chinese government ~~today~~ *has just*
4 announced that all international cable
5 messages ~~would~~ ^{will} be subject to a strict
6 censorship. This will go into effect
7 within the next few days.

8 According to the Associated
9 Press the Nationalist Government states
10 that this is an emergency measure which is
11 considered necessary.

12 Just what the emergency is,
13 is not described, but foreign observers
14 believe that ~~the emergency~~ ^{it} consists of
15 the political situation in South China.
16 A movement against the Nationalist
17 leaders is under way in the southern
18 part of the country, and apparently
19 the government does ^{it} ~~not~~ want the world
20 at large to know ~~the troubles that are~~ ^{what's going on.}
21 ~~expected.~~ Anyway, ~~it looks as if the~~
22 ~~real news from China for a while may~~
23 ~~be hard to get.~~

1 It's reported that Foreign
2 Minister Briand of France may retire
3 from his post soon--that is, after he
4 ~~has~~ finished^s his work at Geneva as ~~the~~
5 representative of France on the Committee
6 on European Federation and the Council
7 of the League of Nations.

8 Right after he was beaten in his
9 effort to become president of France,
10 Premier Briand ~~in a newspaper had~~ presented
11 his resignation as Foreign Minister. ~~to~~
12 ~~the Cabinet~~. According to the Associated
13 Press, the ~~resignation was~~^{cabinet} refused, ^{to accept it,} and
14 the Foreign Minister was commissioned
15 to go ahead with his work.

16 Briand is said to feel ~~that~~ the
17 enmities that have sprung up around his
18 long political career have prevented
19 him from becoming president, and also
20 may interfere with his task in guiding
21 French international policies.

22 Meanwhile, the Parisian newspapers
23 are giving three cheers for the election
24 of President Doumer. They say he's a
25 good man and will make a good president,

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although a few of the socialist papers
are denouncing him as a reactionary.
But I guess you can't ~~please~~ please
everybody.

1 A group of newspaper men gathered
2 this afternoon in the government offices
3 at Madrid and listened while Zamora,
4 ~~the~~ Prime Minister of Spain, explained
5 to them the reason for the recent
6 disturbance.

7 According to the International
8 News Service Zamora told them ~~that all~~
9 that ^{recent} rioting and destruction of churches
10 was caused by - King Alfonso. In other
11 words, it's ~~is~~ the same old story that
12 the Spanish politicians have been
13 repeating for the past several days.

14 When it came down to specific
15 facts, Zamora stated that it was likely
16 that King Alfonso had a hand in the
17 monarchist demonstrations which have
18 taken place. ~~in Spain.~~ He added that the
19 immediate cause for the riots and the
20 destruction of the churches was the
21 fact that the monarchist demonstrations
22 came just at the same time as a bunch
23 of ~~a~~ communist demonstrations. Both
24 factions were trying to injure and
25 discredit the Republic, and while doing

1 so they clashed with each other. The
2 result was an orgy of rioting.

3 The Premier stated that there
4 were so many religious buildings in
5 Spain that the government had not been
6 able to protect them all, but he admitted
7 that some of the officials of the
8 republican government had not done their
9 duty in suppressing the carnival of
10 violence. He ended by declaring ^{that} all
11 was quiet in Spain tonight.

12 Well, it ~~at~~ seems a little
13 bit complicated to a simple fellow from
14 the west like me - I mean complicated
15 to figure out how King Alfonso was
16 to blame for the burning of the churches.
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1 A new member was elected today
2 to the Royal Yacht Squadron of Great
3 Britain. He is Sir Thomas Lipton,
4 who time and again has tried to win
5 the yachting supremacy for Great
6 Britain--or, as he phrases it, get the
7 old mug away from the United States
8 and take it back home.

9 The Royal Yacht Squadron is one
10 of the most aristocratic and exclusive
11 organizations in the world. The time
12 was when Sir Thomas was not considered
13 high enough socially to get into the
14 Royal Yacht Squadron. But now, after
15 years of fame as a sportsman, Sir
16 Thomas has been admitted into the
17 sacred precincts, and gains the coveted
18 right to fly the white ensign service
19 flag of the British navy at the masthead
20 of his yacht.

21 According to the Associated Press,
22 Sir Thomas announced on his 81st
23 birthday, which was last Sunday, that he
24 was going to issue another challenge
25 to the United States, and once more, for
the sixth time, try to get the old mug
back.

1 A seaplane has been found in a
2 small bay of the Kurile Islands, that
3 rocky archipelago that lies to the
4 north of Japan.

5 And that ends the anxiety that
6 has been felt for Yoshihara, the young
7 Japanese flying man who is on his way,
8 making a sky trip from Japan to the
9 United States by way of the string of
10 islands that stretch across the north
11 Pacific.

12 Several days ago Yoshihara took
13 off from one of the northernmost islands
14 of Japan and headed for the Kurile group.
15 Then he vanished, and no word was heard
16 from him.

17 According to the International
18 News Service, a steamship was sent in
19 search of him. And today, after poking
20 among the many small islands of the
21 archipelago, the steamer found Yoshihara
22 and his plane, ^{all} okay. He had run into
23 a heavy fog and had been forced to take
24 refuge on that sheltered bay in the Kuriles.
25 He intends to keep on and continue his
flight to the United States.

1 I met an old friend today. At
2 any rate he seemed like an old friend--
3 all sea-captains seem that way to me.
4 Although they have fists of iron and
5 shoulders like wrestlers, and voices
6 that boom and roar, did you ever see a
7 sea-captain who didn't have friendly,
8 sparkling eyes and an infectious laugh?
9 Maybe there are a few, but not many.

10 Well, the sea captain I
11 encountered today ^{bawled me for a nautical} ~~told me something~~
12 ^{mistake or two I had made on the radio. I said "how come?"} ~~interesting about radio,~~ Although he is
13 an Englishman and skipper of a vessel
14 that belongs to an American-owned
15 shipping line, he lives in Antwerp, ~~xxx~~
16 Belgium. He said he got me nearly every
17 night on his short-wave set over in
18 Antwerp,--that is, every night except
19 occasionally when some station ~~over~~ in
20 Australia butts in or when there's
21 interference from ~~a station in~~ Moscow.

22 ~~That sort of staggered me. I~~
23 ~~hadn't the remotest idea that my voice~~
24 ~~was ever heard so far away, and it took~~
25 ~~all the wind out of my sails.~~

1 I wish I had time to tell you about
2 this particular Captain's adventurous
3 career. His name is Henry Harvey. During
4 his first seven years at sea he was in
5 sailing ships. During the World War
6 he had three ships shot out from under
7 him--three of his ships torpedoed.

8 One was a troop-ship picked off by a
9 U-boat at the Dardenelles--two others
10 were in the Atlantic, with thousands
11 of American soldiers on board. And in
12 both cases he saved every man. ~~The~~
13 ~~British decorated him for it, and~~

14 ~~although they were American troops that~~
15 ~~he saved he never even got thanks from~~
16 ~~Uncle Sam. Of course there are many~~
17 ~~instances like that. There always are.~~
18 ~~And there are many Captain Harvey's who~~
19 ~~deserve the undying gratitude of every~~
20 ~~American.~~

21 Well, now this jovial sea-dog is
22 the Commander of one of the finest ships
23 afloat, the ocean liner Lapland.

24 I asked this jolly skipper to pick
25 out the most interesting story in this

1 afternoon's papers. And sure enough he
2 picked one ~~with lots of excitement in~~
3 ~~it~~--the story of a rescue.

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1 Let's try to picture an amazing
2 bit of drama. The scene is on the
3 immense ice cap that covers the interior
4 of Greenland.

5 A party of men with dog teams
6 are trailing along. They're looking
7 for a man. They left him there on the
8 ice eight months before. He had taken
9 his post there on the frozen waste, to
10 camp and live in an igloo and make
11 weather observations .

12 "We must be near the place where
13 we left him," remarked the men with the
14 dog teams. But in all directions the
15 expanse of ice is unbroken.

16 They make reckonings with
17 instruments. No, they decide the place
18 is further on, and they keep trudging
19 along over the dreary frozen plain.

20 ^{blow} Then a storm ~~blew up~~ and it was cloudy,
21 and they ^{can} could take no further bearings.
22 They ^{line} had to wait for days. When it
23 finally cleared they continued their
24 search. The place where they left the
25 man must be in the near vicinity.

1 ~~Finally~~ They are making observations
2 once more. Yes, this is the place.
3 Their calculations show it must be.
4 But on all sides there is nothing but
5 ice.

6 Nearby there's an immense drift
7 of snow, covered with a thick layer of
8 ice. The men begin to recognize their
9 surroundings. That snow drift--that's
10 where they had left the man they were
11 looking for, but it wasn't a snow
12 drift ~~■~~ then. His igloo had stood
13 on the flat ice right there. And now
14 it's covered with a great hill of ^{snow}~~ice~~.

15 They climb to the top of the drift,
16 and there they discover a small hole--
17 a rabbit's hole? A fox's hole? No,
18 it can't be that.

19 "Hello!" they shout into the ^{narrow opening}~~hole~~.

20 And from deep below, down in the
21 depths of that huge snow drift, comes
22 the reply:--

23 "Hello! I'm here!"

24 That, according to the ~~Associated~~
25 Press, is how they found Augustine

1 Courtauld, ^a the young British scientist
2 marooned on the Greenland ice pack.

3 The word went all around the world
4 how rescue parties were searching for
5 him, and how at last a party of men and
6 dog teams had found him, ~~a party of~~
7 ~~fellow adventurers who had accompanied~~
8 ~~him to the north and left him to~~ ~~XXXXXX~~
9 ~~remain as a weather observer.~~

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10 Courtauld tells how two months
11 ago, while he was living comfortably
12 enough in his igloo on the ice pack,
13 a tremendous blizzard blew up and raged
14 for several days. The snow covered the
15 igloo. It kept piling up until the ~~snow~~
16 hut of ice was buried deep beneath the
17 drift.

18 He couldn't dream of digging himself
19 out. Firstly, because if he had tried,
20 he would merely have loosened the snow
21 which would have fallen on him and buried
22 him. And, secondly, because he had
23 left his shovel outside.

24 So all he could do was to remain
25 there those two months in the igloo and

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keep the chimney open by poking an air hole to the top of the snow drift. He had salt meat to eat, and a little gasoline lamp with which he could melt the snow and obtain drinking water. There was no light except the dim, glimmer that came through the deep covering of snow.

He spent most of those two months in his sleeping bag, hibernating -- something like a bear, a snake, or an Arctic fox -- waiting until a rescue party came along, and hoping that they would find him.

Yes, there's plenty of drama in that. No wonder Captain Harvey picked it for the News Item of the Day.

DIGEST--PHOTOGRAPHS

Yes, this fellow is a tough tax collector, all right. He's got a mean, hard face. I have a cartoon here, a piece of anti-war propaganda from the Memphis Commercial Appeal, and the caption is "The World's Hardest Boiled Tax Assessor".

At a desk you see a big fellow marked "Militarism". And he's calling off the tax bill to a poor little guy marked "Ordinary Citizen".

That cartoon is the illustration of the leading article of the new Literary Digest, the one that came out today. This week's Digest has a splendid layout of drawings and photographs.

I'm always for the kind of picture that tells in itself an important part of a story. For example, this week's Digest takes up those hard things that the English writer Chesterton had to say about the United States.

Chesterton is out knocking our villages. He says they're not very beautiful. He declares they don't compare with the villages of England.

well, the Digest shows us just what Chesterton means, and it prints a lovely photograph of an English village.

1 A lot of ashes are falling in
2 Alaska. Over a 20-mile area the country
3 is covered with a dark smudge. ~~of ashes.~~

4 According to the United Press, the
5 cause of it is a volcano called Chignik,
6 about half way down the eastern side of
7 the great Alaskan Peninsula. The
8 mountain is belching fire and smoke and
9 is spreading a rain of ashes far and
10 wide. ~~Some have fallen a hundred and~~
11 ~~fifty miles away at the town of Squaw~~
12 ~~Harbor.~~

13 Chignik volcano looms above an
14 Indian village. There used to be quite
15 an important salmon cannery up there too.
16 I wonder what happened to it when the
17 eruption occurred.

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1 It looks as though the government
2 in Washington might give the foreign
3 diplomats a bit of police protection.
4 At least the State Department is
5 thinking the matter over.

6 Why should the foreign diplomats
7 need police protection? Well, the answer
8 is thieves.

9 An attack has been made on
10 Dr. Carlos Leiva, who was in charge of
11 the legation of the republic of San
12 Salvador.

13 According to the Associated Press
14 Dr. Leiva upon returning to the Legation
15 met a man at the door who ordered the
16 Doctor to throw up his hands. Instead
17 Dr. Leiva grabbed the robber. One shot
18 was fired but the Central American
19 diplomat was not hit. A lively wrestling
20 match took place. Dr. Leiva was hit
21 several times with a flashlight and was
22 cut about the head and face. Finally
23 the Doctor bit the robber in the finger
24 and then managed to get in a good punch
25 and knocked the man down. While the

1 Diplomat ran for the police the crook
2 got away.

3 Secretary Stimson in a letter
4 to Dr. Leiva today promised that the
5 police will do their best to catch the
6 burglar. And on top of that comes the
7 idea of giving further police protection
8 to Diplomats in Washington.

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1 I don't want to do anybody an
2 injustice, but somebody's been plagiariz-
3 ing -- somebody's been swiping his stuff
4 from somebody else.

5 Last night in New York the Guild
6 of Former Pipe Organ Pumpers held a
7 banquet. Chet Shafer of Three Rivers,
8 Michigan, the Grand Diapason, presided
9 over the boys who used to pump the pipe
10 organ in the local church. Well, the
11 pumpers are initiating a movement -- a
12 highly humanitarian movement. But I
13 wonder if they didn't get the idea from
14 Cy Caldwell. ~~He~~ Cy Caldwell is the cynic
15 of aviation. He tells the flying men
16 those unpleasant truths which are good
17 for the soul -- sometimes. A favorite
18 story of Cy Caldwell's tells about his
19 Uncle Cuthbert who ^{was} ~~is~~ a great hunter.
20 His favorite sport was to shoot those
21 cast-iron deer that used to ornament so
22 many front yards.

23 Well, that's Cy's story. And now
24 the pipe organ pumpers come along and
25 start a movement for the preservation of

1 cast-iron animal life. They don't want
2 anybody to go around shooting the iron
3 deer, as Cy's Uncle Cuthbert did.

4 It looks as if either Chet
5 swiped the idea from Cy or Cy swiped the
6 idea from Chet. Anyway, they both
7 qualify for membership in The Tall Story
8 Club. But Chet seems to be very
9 serious in that movement for the
10 preservation of cast iron animal life.
11 He is going to launch the new idea and
12 launch it right. His plan is to ascend
13 to the 106th story of the Empire-State
14 Building and release 20 cast-iron pigeons.
15 Yes sir, and when he does I'm going ^{to} call
16 The Tall Story Club into session on the
17 street below to catch some of those
18 pigeons.

19 The banquet of the Former Pipe
20 Organ Pumpers also took up the important
21 question of the two kinds of office
22 boys -- namely, the office boys who
23 have their eyes on the next ~~w~~ rung of
24 the ladder and the office boys who have
25 their eyes on the stenographers.

Well, when I used to be an office boy I had my eyes
on the next rung of the ladder. And after that tall one I'll
say --

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.