

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

There's a story going round that the Dies Committee has a pile of evidence concerning Fifth Column work by Nazis here in the U.S.A., evidence far more sensational than anything that has yet been hinted. Chairman Dies admitted today that he had turned over documentary evidence to the State Department and to President Roosevelt. He said the Committee has guarded it to the utmost, and that at present he can say nothing about it. Then he explained, in these words:- "I am resolved that nothing I say or do shall complicate this nation's foreign relations." He added that he had been staying away from Washington in order to make it easy for Secretary Hull and the President to give uninterrupted study to the information that the Committee has uncovered.

And Dies continued that his Committee had unearthed evidence which he described as being of a nature to expose once and for all the whole Fifth Column in the United States.

BRIDGES

The vexatious topic of Harry Bridges, the Australian Pacific Coast labor leader, came up in Congress again today. In fact it came up in ~~a most~~ sensational fashion. A Missouri Congressman made the charge on the floor of the House that ~~this~~ ~~fellow~~ Bridges had conspired to commit murder, also to commit sabotage on one of the largest American liners while she was passing through the Panama Canal.

This charge was made specifically and categorically by Representative C. Arthur Andersen of Missouri. He charged, moreover, that the men with whom Bridges had conspired were a couple of Communists. Congressman Andersen then read to the House what he declared was a sworn statement taken from the files of the Department of Justice. The statement, as Andersen read it, was made by a fellow named Walter Carney ^{who stated} ~~He declared~~ that when Bridges was in the east, he, Carney, was with Bridges every day and night. He was ^{present} at a conference in New York with Bridges ^{at which} ~~where~~ ~~Joe~~ Ryan, President of the International Longshoremen's Association and the Executive Board of the Association expelled Bridges because of his Communist tactics and policies. Thereafter,

said Carney, there was a meeting at a hotel at which Bridges and other Communists agreed ~~with Ryan~~ that ~~Joe~~ Ryan must be eliminated. The Carney statement goes on to relate ^{that} a couple of those Communists agreed to pay him five thousand dollars to get ^{He got his gorillas for the job but} gunmen to kill Ryan. [^] The plot was not carried out, the statement continued, because two of the men Carney had hired to do the killing were arrested by the police for a hold-up and put in prison.

DYKSTRA

There ~~Everybody~~ has ^{much} been wondering ^{as to} who would be selected by

President Roosevelt to be Director of Conscription. ~~There was a~~

~~possible answer at the White House~~ Today, Henry L. Stimson,

Secretary of War, called on the President and with him was Dr.

Clarence Dykstra, President of the University of Wisconsin. *And*

As he left, it became known that the job had been offered to ~~him~~ *the*
Mid-Western College President.

But he hasn't accepted yet. He admitted he had been discussing

it with Mr. Roosevelt but added that he would have ^{to do} a good deal

of thinking about it. His friends explained that he doesn't want

to be obliged to ~~give~~ leave the University of Wisconsin.

Clarence Dykstra is the man who was City Manager of

Cincinnati during the disastrous floods of Nineteen Thirty-Six. *The*
way he met that emergency made history.

If he takes the job of Director of Conscription, it will be the

second salary cut he will have taken in three years. As City Manager

of Cincinnati he was getting twenty-five thousand a year. When he

resigned to become President of the University of Wisconsin, he

sacrificed ten thousand a year as his new salary was ~~only~~ fifteen.

~~thousand.~~ If he becomes Director of Conscription, he'll ^{drop} ~~get only~~

~~ten thousand~~ *down to ten.*

HOME GUARD

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POLL

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Here's another poll on the election. It's different from the others, and makes a different prophecy. It is the Dunn Survey, directed by Rogers Dunn, the statistical expert. It is claimed that the Dunn Survey has been able to overcome the handicaps that the other polls have run into.

So what does the Dunn Survey say about the election? Wendell Willkie will carry all the states north of Virginia. He will also get Kentucky, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Wyoming and Oregon. And what does that amount to? A minimum of three hundred and thirty-four electoral votes.

The Republican National Committee, which made public this poll, points out that this Dunn Survey was meticulously accurate in the presidential election of Nineteen Thirty-Six, also in the congressional elections two years ago. *The Gallup poll, as you doubtless have heard, is just the opposite of the Dunn survey.* The Gallup poll, as you doubtless have heard, prophecies ^{just} the opposite of the Dunn survey.

WILLKIE

Wendell Willkie has made a statement that many of his followers have been waiting for. That if elected President, he promises this country will not go to war until the people say they want war. And he made it emphatic!

He went on to make the charge that the Roosevelt administration had not been candid with the people. He demanded:- quote:- "Are there any international understandings about America's entry into the war, which the citizens of the United States do not presently know about?" Willkie challenged Mr. Roosevelt to make public an answer to that question, also to the following:- "What are the international understandings about America's participation in the incidents of Europe and Asia at the present time?"

He further emphasized his position that the aid we furnish to Britain should be short of war.

JAPAN

Navy Secretary Knox doesn't believe we are within any eight days of war with Japan. It has been prophesied that this would happen October Seventeenth, when the British throw open the Burma Road. Secretary Knox held a press conference today and somebody asked him whether he concurred in the feeling that that would be the date for a beginning of a war between the United States and the Nipponese. Secretary Knox's answer is definite:- "I do not concur, I do not think anybody knows," he declared.

Secretary Knox also said four thousand, two hundred recruits are waiting, ready to join the Pacific Fleet. At present the crews of our warships are up to eighty-two per cent of their strength, and this is to be increased to one hundred per cent.

From the Far East the news is that citizens of the United States are ready to come home and follow the advice of Secretary Hull. But they're ^{up} against this:- There aren't enough ships to bring them. At Shanghai the leaders of the American Association cabled the State Department asking for more vessels as all accommodations on the regular liners have been booked right up

to January. Far Eastern shipping offices were crowded today. Some people even took cabins on a round-the-world cruiser that will sail next week for the United States via Cape Horn.

There are some sixteen thousand Americans in China and Japan. and shipping experts say it will take months to bring them home.

Questions were asked about this at the State Department. Secretary Hull said the government will do anything to help Americans get home until the State Department gets more definite information from our consuls.

At the offices of the Maritime Commission, it was announced that there are plenty of ships that can be made available immediately, enough to evacuate all those sixteen thousand Americans, if the State Department so requests.

In previous times of tension in the Far East, Americans were advised to go only as far as the Philippines and wait there until the trouble blew over. This is the first time they have openly and publicly advised to come home -- back to the old U.S.A.

RUMANIA

Ominous news ~~come~~ from Rumania. The Vice-President of the Council of Ministers made public a charge that four hundred and forty-one Rumanian people had been butchered, hanged or shot by Hungarians in Transylvania. ^{That} Atrocities have been going on ever since the Hungarians moved into the territory ^{recently} ~~that was~~ returned to them.

The Vice-President of the Rumanian Council of Ministers also made the charge that the Hungarians in these connections had been incited by some other ^{incited} power to imperil the peace of the Danubian ^{ian} countries. ^{And} That's a remarkable statement to come from ^{is} that man since he is not only Vice-President of the Council but also leader of the Nazi Iron Guard in Rumania.

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And here's another bit of Rumanian news. Everybody agrees that Great Britain is bound to break off diplomatic relations with the country of former King Carol. It's all about the entry of German troops into Rumania. The government of General Antonescu has declined to make any diplomatic explanation of such an unneutral ~~fact~~.

The British Legation at Bucharest has advised all Britons in Rumania to go home.

One story concerning Rumania emanates from Sweden.

A Swedish newspaper prints it in a dispatch from Berlin. The

story is that Rumania is going to be used by Hitler and Mussolini

as a jumping off *place* ~~ground~~ for an attack on the rich oil fields of

Iraq. Such a move would be exceedingly interesting to the Turks.

As a matter of fact, the Swedish newspaper goes as far as to say

that the Turks have ~~got~~ wind of it and are concentrating troops

to oppose any such move.

PADEREWSKI

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The Spanish police have ~~at last~~ released Paderewski, —
the only living pianist who can claim to be a statesman. Or
perhaps you prefer it phrased the other way round, that he is the
only living statesman who can claim to be a great pianist. At
any rate, we will agree that he is a great pianist and ~~former~~ *he once was*

Prime Minister of Poland.

Paderewski

~~He~~ arrived in Lisbon today on his way to the United States.

So far there's no explanation for his having been detained by

gestapo.
Franco's ~~police~~. The great Pole was quoted in one of the Lisbon
newspapers as expressing his gratitude to the United States for
having intervened, and it was evidently thanks to that, that he
was allowed to proceed on his way.

CONFEDERATES

The White House today was invaded by Rebels. But don't be alarmed, it was an invasion not only peaceful but friendly. The invaders were white haired, aged members of the United Veterans of the Confederacy. Their commander, General Julius F. Howell, of Bristol, Virginia, is ninety-five years old.

And with those who carried the Stars and Bars into the President's office was Major James E. Monroe, Jr., of Jacksonville, Florida. Junior Monroe told the reporters he is a hundred and twenty-four years old, and is a son of President James Monroe. As he went in Junior - one hundred and twenty-four years old -- looked around and found the decorations unfamiliar. For when that hundred and twenty-four year old Confederate veteran was a little shaver, he said, he used to live at the White House. In fact was born the same year his father was elected President. Yes today Junior, one hundred and twenty-four year old, looked around for a portrait ~~that had hung there~~ that had hung there and was told that not only the portrait but some of the furniture was in the residential section of the White House. The United Press dispatch adds that the statement by Major Monroe was news to the historians.

Biographical works of reference, the United Press reports, contain no mention of Junior, or any Monroe son, although there were two daughters.

The youngest of those Rebel veterans was Colonel J.W. Moore of Selma, Alabama, a mere stripling of eight-nine summers. The Colonel ran away to join his Uncle Johnny's Rebel cavalry regiment when he was a boy of twelve.

As they left the President's office the halls of the White House resounded with loud Rebel yells, from those youngsters -- including President Monroe's ~~xx~~ one hundred and twenty-four year old son!

ARNOLD

The scene of ^{this} the next story is a hotel at Boston where a

conference was going on. Among the speakers at the luncheon was

one of the women noted for the queer looking hats she designs for

— *Queer with a capital Q.*
our ladies to wear. Toward the end of the luncheon, the comic hat

artist became suddenly frantic, called a page, and ~~had a fit~~ *proceeded to*
put on a frenzied scene.

That is, not literally, but, she said to the page:- "Tell that man

to stop smoking that cigar at once!" With that she pointed to a

guest sitting nearby. And she continued:- "He must stop smoking.

he is ruining the timbre of my voice. I shall not be able to

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speak."

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So the page went to the head waiter, and the head waiter went on to an assistant manager, and the assistant manager went to another assistant manager, and the other assistant manager went to one of the directors of the conference, and the director of the conference spoke to the cigar-smoking guest, who promptly apologized and put away the cigar.

The man who so meekly obeyed orders was Thurman Arnold, Assistant Attorney General of the United States, the man who brings suits against corporations.

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that? Hugh, what do you know about