

Good Evening, Everybody:-

1 The great East Texas oil fields  
2 re-opened today. Yes, the giant wells  
3 started pumping oil once more, but it  
4 was under strict military supervision.

5 Huge wells, many of them capable  
6 of yielding 40,000 barrels a day, are  
7 being kept down to 225 barrels.

8 The United Press calls that East  
9 Texas oil field "a modern El Dorado that  
10 threatened to ruin the entire petroleum  
11 industry."

12 It was producing so much <sup>flowing gold</sup> ~~oil~~ that  
13 the bottom dropped out of prices.  
14 Something had to be done to plug up that  
15 disastrous gush of oil.

16 We all recall how Alfalfa Bill  
17 Murray used military force in shutting  
18 down the excessive production of oil in  
19 Oklahoma. And in Texas Governor Sterling  
20 did the same thing.

21 The great East Texas oil field  
22 has been idle since August 17th. The  
23 military forces of the state have been  
24 patrolling the great forest of derricks  
25 to see that the oil was kept under ground.

1 The idea seems to have worked.  
2 During the wild orgy of over-production  
3 oil from that East Texas field dropped to  
4 the incredible small price of 5 cents a  
5 barrel. You'd pay as much for a subway  
6 ride as you would for a barrel of oil.  
7 But with the shut-down the price did a  
8 neat climb. Today the price of that same  
9 oil is 68 cents a barrel.

10 Well, today the big East Texas  
11 oil field started pumping again, but the  
12 flow of oil is severely restricted.

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14 Here's a veteran who ~~swore~~ came  
15 back in great style. Yes, Francis Ouimet,  
16 won that big golf tournament at Beverly Country  
17 Club, Chicago. For the second time in his long  
18 career, the United Press informs us, Ouimet captured  
19 the National Amateur golf championship by beating  
20 Jack Westland, 6 up and 5 to go. The N.Y. Eve. Post  
21 refers to Ouimet as <sup>golf</sup> ~~the~~ veteran of the veterans.  
22 He captured his first amateur golf title 17 years ago.  
23 Now he has reascended the  
24 throne.

1 It's beginning to look bad for  
2 the bridges crossing the Rio Grande.  
3 Those bridges that reach from Texas into  
4 Mexico may become just about as useless  
5 as a river without any water in it.

6 The Mexicans have been protesting  
7 against the fact that the authorities  
8 on the American side have put through  
9 an order closing the American end of  
10 the bridges at nine o'clock in the  
11 evening. The city of El Paso is trying  
12 to get the local bridge closed even n  
13 at five o'clock.

14 The Mexicans say this is all wrong  
15 and there is a movement asking the  
16 Mexican Government to retaliate. The  
17 retaliation suggested is that the Mexicans  
18 should close the bridges down during  
19 the day, from early morning until nine  
20 o'clock at night. It's a sort of tit  
21 for tat idea. You close the bridges  
22 down at night and we'll close ~~th~~em down  
23 in the day time, which of course would  
24 make the bridges merely so much  
25 decoration. ~~xxxxx~~

1 Another type of retaliation ~~xxx~~  
2 being agitated among the Mexicans is  
3 that they are threatening to declare  
4 a boycott against the merchants of  
5 El Paso. They want the Mexicans to  
6 agree not to buy anything from the  
7 business men in the American city.

8 The Associated Press gives us a bit  
9 of explanation about that bridge-closing  
10 controversy. The Americans say they are  
11 closing the bridges because of the  
12 prevalence of open gambling in the Mexican  
13 towns. The Mexicans claim that the real  
14 reason is that merchants on the American  
15 side want to shut off the competition.  
16 They don't want people to go over to  
17 the Mexican city ~~and~~<sup>to</sup> do their shopping.

1           The peaceful news from Chile that  
2 we had last night didn't seem to work  
3 out. The Government at Santiago decided  
4 to make peace with the mutineering sailors  
5 in the Navy but it not only takes two to  
6 make a fight but it also takes two to  
7 make peace. The sailors refuse to accept  
8 the concessions.

9           And so this evening the situation  
10 in the South American republic is worse  
11 than ever.

12           The Associated Press reports that  
13 the Government forces are preparing  
14 to ~~xxxx~~<sup>attack</sup> the rebels. The army is scheduled  
15 to take control of the coast and shut  
16 off the food-supplies for the revolting  
17 sailors of the fleet. The idea is to  
18 starve them into surrender.

19           At the same time the air force of  
20 the republic is mobilizing, the government  
21 threatens to send the planes to bomb  
22 the rebels from the sky. Two naval  
23 bases, Talcahuano and Coquimbo are in  
24 the hands of mutineers. The squadrons of  
25 the air are to be sent against those

1 two strongholds.

2 It is feared that the mutinous  
3 warships may try to bombard the big  
4 cities on the coast. If they do the  
5 planes will bombard them with bombs  
6 from the sky. At least that's the  
7 program which the Government announces.

8 The International News Service  
9 reports that six large Junker bombing  
10 planes are ready to go into action and a  
11 large supply of huge air bombs have been  
12 made ready.

13 Meanwhile the word COMMUNISM  
14 sounds loud. The Communists are said to  
15 be making a serious effort to establish  
16 Bolshevism in Chile. The Government  
17 has ordered a round-up of all Communist  
18 leaders.

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1           Meanwhile in Spain the trouble  
2 is still going on. Rioting in  
3 Barcelona. There was shooting all over  
4 the city ~~xxx~~ throughout the night.  
5 The Associated Press reports that the  
6 efforts to make peace have fallen flat.

7           The worst battle of the day  
8 occurred when a body of strikers  
9 barricaded themselves in the Syndicalist  
10 headquarters. They fortified themselves  
11 ~~xxx~~ there and decided to fight it out.  
12 They had rifles and pistols and plenty  
13 of ammunition. The soldiers and police  
14 attacked the place but were beaten back.  
15 The fighting went on for six hours and  
16 only ended when the police brought up  
17 cannon, pieces of light artillery. They  
18 trained the threatening muzzles on the  
19 Syndicalist headquarters. And when the  
20 Reds inside saw the sight of artillery  
21 they didn't like it. They surrendered.  
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## FLOODS

They are having a series of floods in the British Isles, and in both England and Ireland the waters of some of the rivers are misbehaving themselves, especially in Ireland. In England, Yorkshire, Wales and the midlands report the worst floods in fifty years.

In Ireland hundreds of people are homeless and thousands of cattle have been drowned. The floods are the worst near Dublin. At Drumcondra two hundred houses are under water and at the town of Bray, says the International News Service, torrents of water surged through the streets and five hundred people are out of house and home. Also several sections of the city of Dublin were inundated also.



1 The great Wilkins mystery is  
2 solved. A long wireless message has  
3 come through from Sir Hubert Wilkins and  
4 his party of adventurers up there in the  
5 Arctic. And one phrase seems to explain  
6 the silence which enshrouded the North-  
7 Pole-going submarine for days --

8 "Our <sup>wireless</sup> ~~radio~~ masts," radios Sir  
9 Hubert Wilkins, "are upright once more,  
10 and we can now establish almost constant  
11 communication with the civilized world."

12 So it would appear that the  
13 reason no word by wireless had been *come*  
14 ~~heard~~ from the adventurous party <sup>for six days</sup> ~~was~~  
15 the simple fact that the wireless masts,  
16 ~~for some cause or other,~~ were down.

17 Captain Wilkins states that in  
18 her voyage through the floating ice the  
19 Nautilus frequently shoved her slim nose  
20 beneath floes of ice and lifted them,  
21 and the ice went cracking and slithering  
22 off the metal sides of the submarine.

23 The ~~wireless~~ <sup>radio message</sup> ~~dispatch~~ from Sir  
24 Hubert Wilkins which is printed in the  
25 Hearst newspapers today, tells us that

the Nautilus did dive amid the icy perils of the North, she went beneath the ice pack.

"With our depth gage reading 33 feet," radios the modern Captain Nemo, "we have looked out of the portholes, viewing the steel-like fangs of ice moving stealthily through the water.

"Startled small black fish about 6 inches long dash from the ice holes, making lightning-like speed for a few feet. Then turning, they face us, and we watch their gills fluttering, their tails lashing furiously as they gaze at us through the portholes.

"The water changes in color from blue to green, through the entire range of blues and greens."

That's the picture that is given us by the modern Captain Nemo, who, like the famous hero of Jules Verne, has taken a diving submarine to explore the icy wonders of the Polar Sea.

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The New York Evening Post carries a fascinating Associated Press dispatch from Washington tonight about a

distinguished American. This American is Silas H. Strawn of Chicago. The dispatch states that Mr. Strawn, who is now at the head of the nation's largest association of business men, went to Chicago from an Illinois farm, to work in a law office at "ten shining cartwheels a week." Now he is President of the Chamber of Commerce of the U. S., and one of the world's foremost lawyers, bankers and diplomats, and he constantly serves his country in important capacities without pay. An unusual man who does things quietly and without benefit of publicity.

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1 I have a letter here which gives  
2 me a calling-down for leaving something  
3 out. It seems that in talking about  
4 school days I mentioned the old-time  
5 marbles and the old-time baseballs we  
6 used to make, but I forgot all about  
7 that prize implement of our boyhood  
8 days -- the big turnip, the watch we  
9 used to carry around. Remember how long  
10 it took to wind it? You'd have to work  
11 your fingers on the stem for long  
12 minutes. And wasn't it fun to  
13 investigate the works, with a hammer  
14 and chisel?

15 Well, those days have gone  
16 forever. One of those old-fashioned  
17 turnips would seem as much out of place  
18 in a modern school as the antediluvian  
19 slate. The school boys and girls  
20 nowadays are equipped with the  
21 snappiest sort of timepieces, those  
22 natty wrist watches, and small trim  
23 pocket watches. Yes, they all have  
24 them, because school days mean pride  
25 in the possession of a watch.

1 And school days mean pride in the  
2 possession of a lot of things. This  
3 week's Literary Digest, ~~in showing~~ <sup>s</sup> us  
4 how the opening of school boosts  
5 business. <sup>And it</sup> gives us a little scene ~~which~~  
6 ~~is highly~~ <sup>to</sup> illustrated ~~is this~~

7 The Literary Digest tells us that  
8 Mary walks up to Dad and says, "Dad, I  
9 want you to buy a vacuum cleaner for  
10 Mother. We need one in this house."

11 "Mary," replies Dad, "I doubt if  
12 we need a vacuum cleaner. Mother  
13 manages all right with a carpet beater."

14 But Mary is a star pupil in home  
15 economics at High School -- and she  
16 knows. Dad hasn't got a chance. Mary  
17 tells about germs, dirt, fatigue, and a  
18 lot of other things. Oh yes, she's well  
19 up in her studies.

20 In a few minutes Dad runs up the  
21 white flag, and the local dealer in  
22 electrical appliances has another  
23 customer. And pretty soon the neighbors  
24 grow interested in that new vacuum  
25 cleaner, and they turn into customers.

And let's don't forget that in a couple of years Mary gets married. She starts a home of her own, and she too is a customer.

Yes, this week's Literary Digest certainly does tell us in convincing manner just how the opening of our schools helps to build up general, nationwide prosperity.

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The National Air Races out at Cleveland seem to be piling one thrill on another. Today, the United Press, tells how Ray Moore, a San Francisco pilot, shot across the field at such terrific speed that he was hardly more than a blur. He leaped straight into the face of the sun and in a moment was lost from view. Then a few minutes later he re-appeared and observers estimated his speed at around 300 miles an hour. The engine of his mystery ship is made partly of magnesium and is unusually light. He is grooming it for the Thompson Speed Race at Cleveland on Labor Day. Jimmie Doolittle, who swept to more fame yesterday, when he smashed the record by jumping from Pacific to Atlantic, in eleven hours and 15 minutes, will be in that

Thompson Trophy Race, and the reports are that Major Jim  
Doolittle's tiny biplane can split the wind at around 300.  
So the big air carnival in Cleveland will end on Monday with  
one grand burst of speed. That's sure.

1 A house-to-house campaign is going  
2 on in St. Louis, Missouri. The men who  
3 are going from one house and then to  
4 another are ~~sturdy chaps, no Broadway~~  
5 ~~stylish out to their clothes -- just~~  
6 ~~plain open-country fellows. They're~~  
7 farmers. And at every house ~~they go to~~  
8 they do a bit of talking. They explain  
9 the things to Mrs. House-Wife and her  
10 husband. They talk about milk.

11 A battle is on between Missouri  
12 and Illinois Farmers and a big dairy  
13 company; ~~it's~~ a price war. The farmers  
14 felt the middle-man wasn't doing right  
15 by them.

16 Well, usually the farmer just  
17 talks ~~and~~ <sup>but</sup> can't figure out <sup>just</sup> what he can  
18 do about it. But these Missouri and  
19 Illinois farmers got <sup>right</sup> up on the <sup>in</sup> hind legs <sup>and</sup>  
20 <sup>decided to act.</sup>  
21 "We're going to tell the customers  
22 exactly what we're fighting for and let  
23 them be the judges," declared A. D.  
24 Lynch, the manager of the Farmers'  
25 Marketing organization.

And so the campaign is on, with



1 the farmers pointing out to the  
2 customers how much the milk costs the  
3 consumer and what the farmers get for  
4 it. They've also got a few things to  
5 say about the dumping of milk which is  
6 said to have taken place in the course  
7 of the present price war.

8 The United Press adds that there  
9 have been outbreaks of trouble between  
10 the embattled farmers and the dairy  
11 company, and the state police are  
12 patrolling the roads to prevent any  
13 ~~further outbreaks of~~ violence.

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14 Well, I don't know anything about  
15 the rights or the wrongs of the  
16 controversy in Missouri, but I dabble a  
17 bit in farming myself, and I know that  
18 the boy behind the plow has a hard row  
19 to hoe.

20 ~~And I'll be hearing a good deal~~  
21 ~~about agricultural matters over the~~  
22 ~~week-end, because I'm going to attend~~  
23 ~~Albert Akins barn-party in Duchess~~  
24 ~~County, and that's always an occasion~~  
25 ~~when there's plenty of talk about the~~

1           But anyway, there's one farmer  
2 who has been having a good time. He  
3 ate 37 ears of corn. And he established  
4 a record.

5           They had a corn-eating contest  
6 at Ortonville, Minnesota. And a new  
7 corn-eating champion has been acclaimed.  
8 He is Edward Kottwitz. Ed is a farmer  
9 from Grant County, South Dakota, but he  
10 traveled over to Minnesota just to get  
11 his share of the corn.

12           As the United Press describes the  
13 scene, the boys lined up at a big trough.  
14 That trough was heaping full of ears of  
15 boiled sweet corn. There were eleven  
16 contestants. The signal was given, and  
17 all eleven started to eat corn. The one  
18 that outlasted the others--~~and ate the~~  
19 ~~most ears of corn~~ -- well, he'd be the  
20 winner.

21           They ate and ate and ate, or as  
22 Doctor Vizetelly and the boys out in  
23 Minnesota would say -- they et and et  
24 and et. The sound of the eating could  
25 be heard for miles around, as those

1 ~~about~~ eleven pairs of jaws crunched the  
2 corn right off the cob.

3       Pretty soon one man was observed  
4 to have a glassy look in his eyes. He  
5 had had too much corn -- I mean ears of  
6 corn. He dropped out. One by one others  
7 dropped out, but Ed Kottwitz just seemed  
8 to be getting into his stride. ~~He was~~  
9 ~~getting in big bites. The way he could~~  
10 ~~demolish an ear of corn would make a~~  
11 ~~horse jealous.~~

12       Finally only two corn-eaters  
13 were left at the trough, and one was Ed  
14 Kottwitz. His competitor tried to keep  
15 up with him, but it was in vain. ~~He~~  
16 ~~wasn't a bad corn-eater, Ed's remaining~~  
17 ~~competitor. He could chew up a mouth-~~  
18 ~~full of corn as well as most men. It was~~  
19 just his misfortune that <sup>to be</sup> ~~he was~~ up  
20 against the greatest corn-eater in the  
21 world. You know how a warrior's arm  
22 grows faint in battle, or how the  
23 presidential hand grows weary from  
24 shaking hands. Well, that's the way  
25 the poor fellow's jaws grew faint and

1 weary from trying to keep up with Ed  
2 Kottwitz at chewing corn. The next  
3 thing you know, he staggered away from  
4 the trough, just about ready to collapse.

5 And Ed remained there in solitary  
6 glory, just having a few more bites of  
7 corn. He was the champion.

8 Well, after every great achieve-  
9 ment the hero usually makes a little  
10 speech. Maybe he says, "I did it for  
11 wifey and the kiddies." Ed didn't say  
12 exactly that. He sort of apologized for  
13 having eaten only 37 ears of corn.

14 "I could have done better," he  
15 explained, "only I ate corn for dinner,  
16 just two hours before <sup>this here</sup> ~~the~~ contest started.  
17 ~~It~~ Anyway, I can't eat any more because  
18 I've got to hurry home. I've got 12  
19 cows to milk this evening."

20 Yes, those are the words of a  
21 great man.

22 Well, that corn-eating contest  
23 certainly fits in with my state of mind  
24 this evening. I'm on my way to the  
25 farm, and ~~over the week-end I'm going to~~  
*I hope to arrive in time to attend a*

neighborhood barn-dance. Maybe they'll have corn too. But I don't expect to break Ed. Kottwitz's record by putting away 37 ears. But I'll do my best, and --

SO LONG UNTIL MONDAY.