

Good Evening, Everybody:

( Samuel Insull, once the billionaire master of utilities in Chicago, is today under arrest in Athens. The police of the Greek capital are holding him pending a request from the United States for his extradition. )

A dispatch to the Detroit News reports that this was done by the authorities of Athens on their own initiative. Actually they're holding the aged ex-~~billionaire~~<sup>billionaire</sup>

on a technicality. The charge is that his papers are not in

order. <sup>It was announced that</sup> Unless Uncle Sam asks <sup>for</sup> the extradition of Mr. Insull,

<sup>would</sup> he ~~be~~ be released tonight. <sup>later in the afternoon the American</sup> <sup>legation in Athens made the formal request.</sup>

~~xxxxxxx~~ (The dispatch adds that Mr. Insull told the police of ~~xxxx~~ Athens that he himself had lost a hundred million dollars in the collapse of the gigantic structures he had built up in Chicaco. <sup>In addition to which his wife had lost fifty million.</sup>)

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The remarkable part of this move is that actually there are no provisions for extradition between Greece and the United States. A treaty for this purpose was recently ratified but the ratification papers have not been completed. However, Consular regulations provide that Mr. Insull can be deported to a country from which the Cooke County authorities can have him extradited. The aged Mr. Insull had made a secret but none the less dramatic flight from Paris across Italy to Greece. The dispatch says that lawyers in Paris advised him that Greece offered him the safest asylum in Europe. On his trip through Italy, the Insulls had effectually evaded American newspaper correspondents who were looking for them.

THANKSGIVING

By the way, this is <sup>Thanksgiving Day in</sup> ~~the day on which~~ Canada,

~~celebrates Thanksgiving.~~ All the major stock exchanges of the markets in Montreal, Winnepeg, and Toronto, were closed today in honor of the celebration.

ARMS

France has an interesting idea ~~on arms~~ <sup>for the</sup> limitations ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> armaments. ~~This would be~~ <sup>To</sup> pool all the world's arms and armaments. This pool ~~would~~ <sup>to</sup> be placed at the disposal of the League of Nations. The League then ~~would~~ <sup>to</sup> be authorized, in case of conflict between any two nations, to ~~name~~ <sup>name</sup> which ~~one~~ was the aggressor.

Prime Minister MacDonald of England said today that he hopes the deadlock of the disarmament conference will be broken. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald expects to have a conference in London this week with Premier Herriot of France. <sup>A dispatch to the Montreal Star says</sup> Mr. Herriot has accepted Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's invitation. ~~So says a dispatch to the Montreal Star.~~

## RACE

There was a spectacular incident at Bay City, Michigan, yesterday. The heroine was a sixteen year old girl.

The occasion was ~~an~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~outboard~~ outboard motor boat ~~championix~~ championship races. One of the contestants was a young lady named Ruth Deroo of Flint, Michigan. Young Miss Ruth Deroo weighs only ninety pounds. While she was dashing for the starting line on the first heat of the race her boat struck a piece of drift wood. It threw her out into the water.

<sup>^</sup>In spite of this she climbed back into the boat and won. ~~the heat~~ In the second heat she again finished first, defeating Roger Firestone of Dayton, Ohio. In fact, she ~~won the race,~~ ~~and~~ won the Amateur Class A championship of the United States. Her average speed was 36 miles an hour. ~~And that's what you~~ ~~might call~~ a plucky girl, *as well as a speedy girl.*

FLIER

has been rescued. The rescue took place  
Captain Wolfgang von Gronau ~~was forced down at sea~~ off  
in the Bay of Bengal,  
the Burmese coast, Captain von Gronau and his three companions

on their leisurely flight around the world, were ~~on their way~~ <sup>bound</sup>

from the Philippines to Rangoon. They were rescued by a

British steamship which is ~~bringing~~ <sup>taking</sup> them <sup>up the Irrawaddy</sup> to Rangoon.

A dispatch to the Buffalo Evening News ~~says~~ <sup>states that</sup> the place

where they were found is just a hundred miles south of the old

Moulmein Pagoda, which by the way doesn't look  
eastward toward the sea, it looks westward  
toward the sea. That locality is one of my  
old stamping grounds.

## BULGARIA

Here's a story on the husband and wife problem from Bulgaria. A dispatch ~~in~~<sup>to</sup> the New York Evening Post says that Bulgaria is probably the poorest country in Europe. The Minister of Finance used to be a banker and still is a very rich man.

So he decided that his countrymen were going in for too many luxuries. He began by putting prohibitive taxes on all luxury articles used by women. All dresses of the better kind, lace trimmings, <sup>and so forth.</sup> And even permanent waves were hit by the ~~luxury~~ luxury tax.

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This was pie for the husbands. Whenever the little woman came and asked for a new fur coat, they could say - My dear, Mr. Stefanoff - that's the Minister of Finance - has made it impossible for me to buy you a new fur coat.

But the ladies had their inning too. Mr. Stefanoff ~~even~~ found that he put his taxes so high that he didn't get much income out of them. So he started to tax men's luxury articles. The result is that a Bulgarian gentleman today is taxed even for

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wearing a white collar.

At the same time it must be pretty tough on the Bulgarian ladies. Not only their fur coats, but their perfumes, creams, powders, rouges, lipsticks, soaps and everything are taxed so high that they're <sup>practically</sup> ~~practically~~ prohibitive.

In short, Bulgaria seems to be going back to the simple life.

And as I <sup>have seen about all I want of</sup> ~~shall probably never see~~ Bulgaria, that's all right with me.



IRISH

Here's a <sup>one</sup>~~piece~~ that will interest ~~all~~ theatre goers.

8) The famous Abbey players from the Abbey Theatre in Dublin arrived in Boston yesterday to start ~~another~~ American tour. In fact, they're opening at ~~the~~ Parson's Theatre in Hartford, Connecticut, tonight. They'll be in New York next week and will tour throughout the United States and Canada.

I don't usually mention theatres or theatrical organizations. But the Abbey Players, the <sup>repertoire</sup>~~repertory~~ of brilliant plays they've developed, have been such an important contribution to the English speaking theatre that a thing like

this is really worth mentioning, *Their repertoire includes some of the finest plays that have been written in English in years.*

## TALL STORY

The Sunoco Tall Story contest is off to a running start.

In fact you'd think the contest had Sunoco in its tank, it's zipping along in such a big way. This morning when I got to <sup>Tall Story holds in the Empire State</sup> ~~my office I found~~ <sup>1346</sup> ~~my~~ <sup>I found</sup> mail jammed with whoppers. ~~And~~ So I got busy and picked several prize winners.

You know, the rules of the contest are that everybody who sends in a Sunoco Whopper gets a diploma of membership in the Tall Story Club. The best of the tall ones about Sunoco are <sup>then</sup> selected and told on the air. And each one of these gets a <sup>special</sup> prize -- a copy of the book, Tall Stories.

Well, here are ~~a couple of~~ <sup>tonights</sup> prize-winning whoppers.

Joseph Neger, Jr., of Oceanside, New York, tells of a friend of his, an aut<sup>o</sup>mobile racer, who recently bought a new racing car. He took it out on the track to test its speed and loaded it up with Blue Sunoco.

The ~~Blue Sunoco~~ <sup>gas</sup> was so powerful that as he started out one of his rear wheels kicked a stone fifty feet in the air. And the car went around the track so fast that it came back to the starting point just as that hunk of rock was coming down. The stone hit him smack

on the head and raised a large bump. He didn't enjoy the experience but he admits that Blue Sunoco has power.

Then we have a timely election item from a candidate in Boston who signs himself F. H. H.

"A short time ago, " writes this Boston candidate, "I noticed that the big brass knocker on my front door was not working. It simply refused to knock. Upon inquiring of my butler I discovered that he had mixed some Blue Sunoco with the brass polish that he'd been using to shine the knocker.

"That inspired me with an idea. My opponent in the forthcoming election had been conducting his campaign in a way that I considered thoroughly unfair. He had been knocking me all over the place. So I bribed the man at our local gas station to ~~spray~~ spray him with Blue Sunoco. My calculations were entirely correct. The moment that Blue Sunoco seeped into his skin he stopped his knocking, and has been conducting a most refined and gentlemanly campaign ever since."

This candidate from Boston concludes his letter by saying that he is now initiating a movement to compel all candidates

for public office to take a bath in Blue Sunoco. He believes that this would greatly elevate the tone of American politics and make the approaching election a good deal more refined. *Well those two certainly win copies of the Tall Story Books.*

Then there's the case of Dr. J. H. Watson, Jeannette, Pennsylvania. The tank of his car was half full of an ordinary kind of gas. He stopped at a station and had the tank filled the rest of the way with Blue Sunoco.

He was driving along shortly after when he heard a terrific commotion in his gas tank.

"I got out to investigate," writes Dr. Watson, "and <sup>what</sup> do you think I found to be the cause of all that racket? Why the Blue Sunoco was pounding the dickens out of that other kind of gas, just whaling the daylights out of it. The fight had got the tank so hot that to cool it off I had to drive my car backward the rest of the way."

Now here's one that's right to the point. **Georgia** Randall of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, tells how a little boy asked his father: "Daddy, what makes Lowell Thomas talk so fast?"

And Daddy answered: "Because he drinks Blue Sunoco."

Well, anyway, those Sunoco Tall Stories certainly do

MONKEY

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"Wow," she screeched. There he is, Bad Boy has ~~got~~ the diamond."

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## EARTHQUAKE

Another earthquake in California. It's the sort that the  
*oh that's nothing, just a shiver,*  
Californians themselves call ~~slight and trivial~~. Nevertheless it

derailed a fast passenger train and made the inhabitants rush out of

their houses in terror. *Florida newspapers will probably  
feature this with big headlines.*

A dispatch to the Atlanta Journal says that there have been

eight shocks in the Imperial Valley, *down below sea level,* within the last two days. In

addition to these there have been heavy rains, *and* ~~portions of the~~ railroad

track have been washed away.

GOLD

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It seems that gold coins are coming out of the old stocking  
or wherever it is they've been hiding. Leading department stores in  
various parts of the country report that women are paying for their  
purchases with five, ten and even twenty dollar gold pieces. It's the  
first time in years that gold coins have been seen in such profusion.—  
*but so far I haven't seen any.*



## DIVORCE

Now for a little bit of sociology. Owing to ~~the~~ hard times the Chicago courts ~~have~~ decided to reduce the cost of divorce. Evidently they were afraid they would not do enough business at the previous rates.

In spite of this fact the number of divorces have been decreasing to such an extent that now there is only one divorce for every five marriages, *in Cook County, Illinois.*

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President Hoover will go to Cleveland and speak there Saturday night. This announcement was made from the White House today. A story in the Cleveland Press says that this will be the second major political address of Mr. Hoover's campaign for re-election. He probably will leave Washington Friday night and reach Cleveland the following afternoon. He may speak from the rear platform <sup>his special</sup> at all cities where his train stops.

An interesting addition to the story is that political managers on both sides believe the presidential election hinges on five states. The bloc of a hundred electoral votes represented by Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin, ~~will~~ <sup>may</sup> decide the issue. Four years ago the President carried all those states. Today they are considered doubtful. So say the political observers.

Political dignitaries are swarming at party headquarters at the Biltmore and the Waldorf this week. I encountered King Fish Huey Long at the Waldorf - Astoria a moment ago, ~~and~~ ex-President Coolidge.

ZOO

An old circus showman has an idea to solve the problems of the directors of the Philadelphia Zoo. The officials of the Zoo notified the city authorities the other day that unless they got one hundred thousand <sup>dollars</sup> from the city, the gardens would have to be closed and the animals gassed.

Well, this circus gentleman is willing to take over Philadelphia's Zoological Gardens, assume all liabilities and expenses, and pay the city a dollar a year. That is, provided he can get a ten year contract and the permission to run a three ring circus.

That's the way he proposes to solve <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ Zoological ~~Gardens~~ problems <sup>for the city A Brotherly Love</sup> - run a circus, ~~there~~. He'd teach the lions and tigers to act, put the elephants to work, and charge the populace to see the ~~monkeys~~<sup>5</sup> and ~~all~~ the other beasts and birds. ~~which fascinate the young idea.~~

## MILLIONAIRES

There's going to be an interesting meeting in Philadelphia tomorrow. Those present will be two hundred men who represent the exclusive inner circle of American finance and industry. A dispatch to the Trenton Times says that between them these two hundred men are rich enough to pay off the national debt of many countries.

They are members of what used to be called the Millionaires Club, but many millionaires <sup>no longer</sup> ~~don't~~ like that name. They say it's not popular ~~to be known~~ to be too rich these days so they call ~~it~~ their organization the Committee of One Hundred.

Among them are ~~Harvy~~ Harvey Firestone, W. K. Vanderbilt, General Atterbury of the Pennsylvania Railroad, Daniel Willard of the B. & O., Colonel Green, son of Hetty Green, ~~Among the members are also~~ Gar wood, the speed boat <sup>king</sup> ~~champion~~ and Frank Gannett who owns so many newspapers.

They are going to be entertained by Joseph P. Widener and by Cyrus ~~H. K.~~ Curtis, publisher of the Saturday Evening Post and The Ladies Home Journal.

## MOTOR

Here's the most curious motor car accident I ever heard of. A florist in Lynn, Massachusetts, was driving his car. As many of us have been known to do, he dozed off at the wheel. And this is what happened.

His car hit a hydrant and released a torrent of water which hit him in the face and woke him up. Then his caroming chariot knocked down a telegraph pole which carried high tension wires. The Pines River drawbridge operated by the electricity in those wires was put out of business.

Street lights throughout the manufacturing district of Lynn were extinguished. The high tension wires set fire to the automobile, the florist was burned, had to go to the hospital, from the hospital to the police court, where he drew down a fine of \$25.00 for reckless driving.

~~And~~ After that he decided it was time to call it a day and say, as I am saying now --

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.