

Good Evening, Everybody:-

It just beats the band what attention we farmers are getting today. As Raymond Clapper writes from Washington to the New York World-Telegram: "The long-suffering farmer is just being showered with solicitude." Showers of solicitude, how's that? For instance, there's Governor Roosevelt out in Sioux City, who's going to tell the Iowa farmers tonight what he proposes to do for them, if they'll elect him. Almost every day the Secretaries at the White House give out information of some new scheme President Hoover has for us -- for us farmers, I mean.

Then in Chicago Mr. Hoover called a meeting of financiers with officials of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. They met today. The purpose, to see what can be done to break the tide of farm foreclosures that has swept over many sections of the country.

Oh yes, didn't I hear somewhere about a National election soon?

BASEBALL

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It seems there was quite a romantic interest in the second victory of the Yankees over the Chicago Cubs today. The hero of the romance is Vernon Gomez, the brilliant young Yankee pitcher. Vernon's name among his fellow athletes is Goofy. Goofy Gomez has been in love for sometime ^{- madly in love} with a young musical comedy beauty. Before the World Series started his pitching fell off somewhat. And his team mates - (baseball players as ~~everybody knows~~ are a pretty tough bunch of kidders) - ^{well} ~~and~~ his teammates have been telling reporters that what was the matter with Goofy was love poisoning.

Consequently it became exceedingly important for El Goofy, as they call him, to win today's game and establish himself still stronger in the graces of his intended bride.

At any rate, he did it. With the ^{return of} warm weather this was a much better day for pitchers than yesterday when ~~these~~ chilly breezes blew across the Yankee diamond. A score of five to two is ample indication that it was a pitcher's rather than a

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batter's day

From all accounts the Cubs played far better ball -
in the field [^] than their victors. A couple of double plays in
the infield are described as the most brilliant ~~ever~~ ~~times~~
seen on ^{any} ~~a~~ [^] diamond since 1916.

An interesting incident was contributed by Babe

Ruth. ~~the big Bambino~~. In the third inning the big Bambino ^{muffed} ~~^~~
^{booted}
a hit of Stephenson's which netted the Chicago boys two bases.

In the Yankee half of the same inning Long Warneke handed Ruth [^] ~~a~~ ^{pass-}
~~a base on balls.~~
~~a base~~ This infuriated the Sultan of Swat. As he passed the

Cub dugout he yelled: ~~out~~ "What's the matter with you guys?

Are you yellow." The big Bambino has not covered himself with
his customary glory so far, although his batting for two games
shows two hits ~~for~~ ⁱⁿ ~~^~~ six times at ~~the~~ bat, which wouldn't be so
bad for an ordinary ^{player,} ~~player.~~ [^]

EARTHQUAKE

That earthquake in Greece left a gap two miles long and seven feet wide. Several villages were entirely wiped out, and the sea level is rising steadily in a mysterious way. The total number of those known to be dead has risen to 320, but it is feared that is far from the final toll. A squadron of the British Navy has arrived off the Grecian Coast with supplies and medicine for the distressed.

STORM

A report from Governor Beverly of Porto Rico conveys the information that 75,000 ^{persons on that} ~~families on the~~ island are homeless today.

A staff of officers of the United States Army left this afternoon for San Juan to help organize the work of relief.

Incidentally a dispatch comes from Tunis with a ~~fax~~ report of violent storms on the coast of North Africa. ^{Storms that} ~~They~~ caused extensive ~~dam~~ damage, flooded farm lands and cut the railway line in several places.

^{terrific hail is} Hail, ~~storms are~~ reported from the northern Sahara. ^{where even rain} is none to common.

VIENNA

On top of the Cabinet crisis in England comes news of similar emergencies in Hungary and Greece. In the two latter countries the crises may end in radically new forms of government. *That's what* ~~So says a dispatch~~ to the New York Sun *tells us tonight.*

In Athens the Royalists want Prime Minister Venizelos to get out as a result of the recent election which leaves ~~Mr.~~ Venizelos with only 102 seats in the Chamber of Deputies. ~~Mr.~~ Venizelos says he will use the army sooner than quit his job.

In Hungary the contest is between the ~~Raschist~~ Fascist party and the people who want to make *the Archduke* ~~Prince~~ Otto of Hapsburg, king of Hungary.

Meanwhile in London Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald has not yet filled the vacancies caused by the resignation of the liberal ministers from his Cabinet.

INDIA

I came across an interesting story about India in the Toronto Star. It contains several facts that I haven't seen in any ~~United States~~ papers - *in the states.*

I don't think it is generally known that since January of this year no less than fifty-eight thousand people have been arrested in India in connection with the x civil disobedience movement. Of these no less than twenty-eight thousand are still in jail. In the same period there have been 145 crimes of terrorism in India. Eight British officials and four Indians have lost their lives.

But acts of terrorism continue even though most of the working committee of the India Congress is behind ~~present~~ prison bars. No matter how many people the British government arrest, the revolutionary activities go on.

Consequently the British think there ^{must be} a master mind behind all this. ^{And} they call him "the ~~Individual~~ Individual Brain".

They ^{are} ~~are~~ sure somebody is directing all these revolutionary acts and directing them intelligently. "The Individual Brain" is still at large.

JAPAN

Still more trouble in the Far East. Uncle Sam's State Department in Washington has been advised that a formidable revolt against Japanese authority has broken out in Northern Manchuria. It ~~has~~^{has} resulted in the capture of a high Japanese official and in the paralysis of railroad traffic in Manchuria. Traffic on one line is said to be at a standstill. On another it ~~has~~^{has} been broken in three places. The Japanese consul in Harbin has been trying to get in communication with his colleagues in the interior, ~~and has been quite unable to establish contact.~~^{but without any success.}

UTOPIAS

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This seems to be open season for Utopias. A story in the Hartford Times relates that the unemployed citizens league of Norwalk, Connecticut, has a plan in this direction. It has written to the United States Shipping Board asking for a loan or gift of the steamer George Washington which has been discarded by the Board and is about to be sold for scrap. The idea is to establish a self governing, self-supporting socialist community on board the ^{Geo.} Washington. The plan has been ^{endorsed} ~~introduced~~ by several University professors. X

Then there ^{another} ~~is~~ a story in the Toronto Star about a plan for a similar colony on VanCouver Island. The organization at the back of this scheme is the Canadian Young People's Cooperative Society of Alberta ~~and~~ Saskatchewan.

This society consists of X members who are out of sympathy with the stress and strain of ^{present day} commercial life. They want to live an existence where they will be free from the hardships of competition and the fear of losing a job.

This Canadian scheme is about to be realized. The first contingent of ~~these~~ these Utopians^{members} is expected to arrive on Vancouver Island next February. Well, they've picked a grand spot anyhow.

ROME

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The citizens of Rome, ~~Italy~~, had an exciting time ~~today~~
~~last night~~ ~~sirens shrieked~~ last night. Sirens shrieked and the
Alte Caesars
city was darkened. Overhead bombing airplanes roared ominously.

All pedestrians abroad in the street rushed for the nearest

shelter. *But,* *item raise your blood pressure. They*
Don't let this ~~worry you too much.~~ ~~A dispatch to the~~
were not French bombers. A dispatch to the
Detroit News says it was only a sham air raid, the first of

three experiments conducted by Mussolini's government to give

residents of Rome an idea of war time conditions. Vatican City

was dark too. It was understood the Pope had gone to bed

before the sham attack began.

TREATY

There ^{has} ~~be~~ been a good deal of talk about a commercial treaty between Uncle Sam and France. ~~The~~ United States Ambassador Edge arrived ^{home} today from Paris and he brought with him the first draft of this treaty. It is not yet known ^{just} what ~~is in~~ the treaty says.

MOSCOW

Soviet Russia seems to be getting busy making friends with as many other nations as possible. A dispatch to the New York Sun ^{sets forth the belief that} ~~says that it's believed that~~ a treaty between Russia and its old enemy ^{Roumania} ~~Germany~~ is ~~but~~ almost an accomplished fact.

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Meanwhile a similar treaty with Poland - ~~what is~~ called a non-aggression treaty - has been signed ~~ever since summer~~, and is waiting ratification by the Polish parliament.

Moscow seems to be hunting right and left for friends.

REX

Shipping circles on this side of the water have been looking forward to the arrival of the new ~~great~~^{giant} Italian liner, ~~the Rex.~~ ^{not wreckage but R-e-x.} ~~It seems now that this arrival will be delayed two days.~~ A dispatch from Gibraltar brings the news that the new ship will be delayed under the shadow of the big rock for two days, owing to trouble in the engine room.

It will be quite an event in shipping circles when the Rex does arrive because judging only by the model that ~~is~~^{has} been on exhibition, she's beyond all question one of the most magnificent vessels afloat. Incidentally, one of her passengers on her maiden voyage to America is ex-Mayor Jimmie Walker of New York, coming home to a hundred thousand dollar a year job according to Dame Rumor.

TOWER

For a long time engineers have been saying that a steel tower a mile high was by no means impossible. The

project ~~will probably~~ ^{may} materialize into a concrete fact at the

big fair in Chicago next year. *A mile high! What a place for the home of a Chicago chapter of the tall story club.* A story in tonight's New York Evening Post says

that a Brooklyn architect-engineer has completed the model and drawings for a tower six thousand five hundred feet high.

~~That's~~ *One mile and a fifth! Going up!*

~~It's~~ ~~not~~ ^{that} so long ago that another tower also constructed for ^a famous exhibition was the largest

structure in the world. *the spidery tower on the banks of the Seine?* ~~But then~~ the Eifel Tower has long since

been put in the shade by the Empire State Building.

Now, The project of this Brooklyn engineer is for a tower with forty-eight floors or landings. Each one of these will be dedicated to a state in the Union. The plans call for enough space to ~~xxx~~ house two or three ~~x~~ dozen airplanes and fifty

thousand motor cars, as well as two great dirigibles all at one time. In fact, one of the devices for making the thing profitable will be to use it for parking space. The man who planned it also believes that it will be ideal for radio and

television broadcasting, as one mile up, there will be ~~but~~ almost no

~~atmospheric~~
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interference. That sure sounds like a dizzy dream. How would you like to have a job as a flag pole sitter on that tower.

LOANS

An interesting bit was given out today by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. That body has received two hundred ^{and} forty-three applications for ^{loans ~~to~~ totaling} ~~a total sum of~~ Eight hundred ^{and} seven million, three hundred ^{and} fifty-five thousand six hundred ^{and} seventy-seven dollars, ^{all this} in the past two months for what is called self-liquidating constructions loans. That means loans for construction projects which it is hoped will pay for themselves.

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A dispatch to the Cincinnati Post reports that the total estimated cost of these projects is around four billion dollars. What's ~~more~~ more important is that they will provide direct work for more than a million men. At the same time they would employ three million men indirectly ~~and~~ for one whole year. Congress ^{has} ~~ix~~ authorized the R.F.C. to loan up to one and a half billion dollars or more for this type of construction.

These projects vary from water supply works, bridges, ^{and} irrigation systems to airports and tunnels.

POSTAGE

There's talk in Washington of cutting the first class postage rate down to two cents again. A dispatch to the Louisville Times relates that the sending of first class mail has fallen off so much as the result of the new three cent rate, that postal officials are believing they will get more revenue with the old two cent stamp. The sub-committee of the House in charge of postal affairs is in favor of the reduction. Strange as it may seem, the extra one cent on letters has ^{caused folks} ~~caused people~~ to write fewer letters. ~~And that's not such a bad idea either.~~

TALL SUNOCO

Now here's something that gives us a run for our money. It certainly is a running story. John Higgins of Franken Square, Long Island, contributes a few scientific observations to the archives of the Tall Story Club.

"Last week," writes Brother Higgins, "I changed over to Blue Sunoco, and boy, it sure made my car run fine."

"A couple of days later I happened to spill some of that Blue Sunoco over a couple of pumpkin vines in my garden, and ~~it~~ it made those vines run. One pumpkin vine ran so fast it came up behind a jackrabbit. It just chased that jackrabbit right out of Nassau County.

~~"The next thing I got some of that Blue Sunoco up my nose. Well, you know the story. It was something awful. I've~~
~~gone broke buying handkerchiefs."~~

Well, after that one I guess I ought to run right out of here, but I've still got another dispatch here.

RAIN STORM

Ah! A new version of the old proverb, it's an ill wind that blows nobody any good. They had a heavy rain storm in Chicago the other day. It was so serious that it flooded the basement of one particular Chicago home. When the water was pumped out, the lady of the house had to get busy cleaning out the cellar. In the process of cleaning she found a will of her deceased brother. Her brother had died leaving a fifty thousand dollar estate which the lady would have had to share with two other heirs. But -- according to the newly found will she will get practically the whole works.

WRESTLING

Here's a story that ought to interest ladies who want to get thin.

A piece in the Trenton Times gives information about a divorce suit pending in the New Jersey Courts. The wife's complaint is that her husband, who was quite an amateur wrestler, used to practise wrestling holds on his wife. Sometimes he would wake the little woman up in the middle of the night for a work-out of half-Nelsons and toe holds. In fact, when she married him she weighed 126 pounds. At the end of five months' married life, with scissor holds and hammer locks, she dropped to 114 pounds.

The moral of that seems to be that ladies inclined to plumpness should marry wrestlers and go to the mat with them. Not much fun, maybe, for the little woman, but evidently a grand way to keep that school girl figure.

Well, I think I'll drop in on the wife now -- and --

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.