

1 Good Evening, Everybody:-

2 (The National Broadcasting Company has already announced
3 the latest news in the Lindbergh case. And so far, there is nothing
4 further to add -- just the report that the child has been found dead
5 near the Lindbergh estate in New Jersey.)

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7 They've had a wild fight over in Berlin today. Some of
8 Adolf Hitler's National Socialist Deputies got hold of a Socialist
9 newspaper man, ganged up on him, and gave him a terrific licking.
10 Well, this annoyed the Reichstag to such an extent that it voted
11 down the Hitlerite and Communist motions of no confidence in the
12 government. The indignation aroused by this bit of ruffianism,
13 cables H. R. Knickerbocker to the New York Evening Post, gave the
14 Bruening government a majority of thirty. This assures Chancellor
15 Bruening of remaining in office at least until the Lausanne Confer-
16 ence ends.

17 Well, the German parliament never was a quiet place.
18 Even in the old days, before the war, riots and scraps were frequent.

19 The ganging up and beating of the Socialist newspaper
20 man happened in the corridors of the Parliament Building, and
21 the President of the Reichstag threatened to call the police.
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Then He
1 ~~and~~ suspended the session until the
2 tempest could be cooled down a little.

3 ~~and~~

4 Handsome Adolf has 107
5 representatives in the ^{German} Parliament. They
6 barricaded themselves in their caucus
7 room and defied the president of the
8 Reichstag to remove them. So then the
9 Council of Elders held a meeting to
10 determine whether or not they should
11 make a motion to abolish the immunity
12 of members of the House from arrest.

13 ~~In short,~~ The Reichstag
14 Building was almost turned into a
15 battle ground. Political groups were
16 arrayed against other groups, while a
17 hundred coppers stood by in the
18 basement. The end of the rumpus is
19 not yet. ^{They} ~~are going to have an~~ *then started an investigation.*
20 ~~investigation now just for all the~~
21 ~~world as if they were in America.~~

22 The four principal offenders
23 among the Hitlerite deputies were
24 finally identified as the leaders in
25 the attack on the Socialist newspaper

1 man. After they had been identified
2 the President of the Reichstag announced
3 that they were suspended for thirty
4 days.

5 The Hitlerite deputies ^{surrounding the four guilty ones,} set up a
6 chorus of hooting and yelled: Come and
7 get them.

8 Thereupon twenty policemen who
9 had been waiting just outside the
10 door leading to the tribunal, charged
11 into the Parliament room. They jumped
12 over the Minister's ~~desk~~ benches,
13 and collared the four ruffian deputies.
14 Behind these four policemen came the
15 vice president of the Berlin police.
16 Now it so happens that he is the pet
17 antipathy of ^{Hitler's} ~~the~~ Nazis.

18 The Hitlerites, adds Knickerbocker,
19 were split between the desire to protect
20 their four colleagues and an equally
21 keen desire for the blood of the police
22 vice president. The upshot was that
23 the twenty policemen got their men,
24 fighting their way against a mob that
25 outnumbered them five to one. Law and

1 order had been upheld, but with such
2 disorderly accompaniment that today
3 will go down in history as one of the
4 most riotous that was ever seen in any
5 parliament, *since parliaments were invented.*

6 The police fought their way out
7 of the chamber in ~~as you can imagine,~~
8 a wild uproar. The president was
9 clanging his bell, ^{but} ~~and even so~~ was
10 unable to make himself heard above the
11 general clamor. Finally he suspended
12 the ^{session} ~~xxxxxx~~ of the parliament for the
13 second time in one day, and suspended
14 it indefinitely.

1 While the German legislators
2 were scrapping, France was putting on
3 mourning for her murdered president.

4 The final obsequies of the
5 late President Doumer took place this
6 afternoon. The Cardinal Archbishop of
7 Paris celebrated Requiem High Mass ~~at~~ in
8 *the cathedral of Notre Dame.* ~~at~~
9 A king and four princes were ~~among~~ there,
10 ~~the mourners~~ among them the King of the
11 *Belgians and the Prince of Wales.*

12 Then at the Pantheon where
13 French heroes are buried, Premier
14 Tardieu delivered a funeral speech.

15 It was the most impressive
16 funeral since the burial of Marshal
17 Joffre. The late president will not
18 be buried in the Pantheon, but by his
19 widow's request he will be interred
20 in the family vault.
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1 The bank rate in England today
2 was reduced to 2½%. This gives Great
3 Britain the cheapest money she's had
4 in 23 years.

5 The movement was not unexpected.
6 This, reports Raymond Swing in the
7 New York Evening Post, is in line with
8 the policy of producing cheaper money -
9 a policy which the Bank of England is
10 supposed to be carrying on in cooperation
11 with Uncle Sam's Federal Reserve system.

12 About the same time it was
13 announced that Siam had gone off the
14 gold standard, because of a slump in the
15 price of rice. However, Siam's a long
16 way ~~away~~ off.

1 A good many people have ^{heard} ~~been~~ ~~mislead~~ ~~by~~ charges that the Literary
2 ~~mislead by~~ charges that the Literary
3 Digest Prohibition Poll, which recently
4 ended, was not fairly ~~x~~ conducted.

5 These charges are answered and completely
6 refuted in an illuminating article in
7 the current issue of the Digest, which
8 is out today.

9 The charges were that more ballots
10 were being sent to wet sections and cities
11 of the country than to those that are
12 politically dry--especially the rural
13 districts.

14 A complete analysis of the returns
15 shows that 44 states returned a ratio of
16 ballots within 1% of the official voting
17 strength of those states in 1928. The
18 editor of the Digest goes on to say that
19 in the other 4 states the variations
20 between the percentage of the popular
21 vote in the Hoover-Smith election and
22 the percentage of ballots returned in
23 the recent 1932 Prohibition referendum
24 amounted to less than three per cent. ~~is stated.~~

25 ~~is stated.~~

1 The editor ~~xx~~ further makes this
2 statement: "It seems almost miraculous
3 that the ballots should have come back
4 to the Digest from several states in
5 quantities so closely in proportion
6 to each State's popular vote at the last
7 Presidential election."

8 "Our analysis table^{he adds,} "shows ~~very~~
9 clearly the immense disproportion which
10 population bears to popular vote in
11 certain States--and it happens that they
12 are mostly in the politically dry belt.

13 "Never, surely, was a straw vote
14 rewarded with ^{so much} ~~such a guerdon of stinging~~
15 corroborations as this one. Practical
16 corroboration. Not words or opinions,
17 but facts--actual happenings." *These are the*

18 *words of the Editor of the Digest.*
19 *Well, if you have any questions to ask*
20 *about the fairness of the Digest Poll*
21 *just consult that article in this week's*
22 *issue.*

RELIEF

1 There was a great "to-do" in ~~Washington~~
2 Washington today over Senator Robinson's
3 plan for unemployment relief. In fact
4 it was the most important feature of the
5 day in our capital. As it turned out
6 there was violent opposition and also
7 powerful support for the Democratic
8 leader's project.

9 President Hoover, it seems, doesn't
10 entirely approve of the notion of a
11 300 million dollar bond issue. The
12 President wants to put relief under the
13 supervision of the American Red Cross, and
14 he suggests that the Reconstruction Finance
15 Corporation should accordingly advance
16 a hundred million dollars to the Red Cross
17 for that purpose.

18 Mr. Hoover is also opposed to
19 Senator Robinson's proposal for a two
20 billion dollar bond issue to stimulate the
21 construction of various public works.

22 There was a conference this
23 morning between President Hoover and
24 Senator Robinson. The president, (says
25 a United Press dispatch today) in the

1 New York World Telegram,) was ~~very~~
2 appreciative of Senator Robinson's
3 action in opening the way ^{for relief.} It was
4 agreed that before any relief plans can
5 be put through, ~~they've got to~~ ^{Uncle Sam must} balance
6 that budget.

7 However, some definite scheme
8 for relieving the jobless will ~~definitely~~
9 be enacted before the end of the
10 present session, *so they say.*

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1 Meanwhile ^a~~the~~ Virginia representative
 2 was giving the House a good laugh ^{in Washington.} And
 3 laughs are pretty badly needed today even
 4 in the House of Representatives. People
 5 have been howling for ~~decades~~ ^{years} about our
 6 practice of allowing Congressmen to spend
 7 the ~~the~~ public money in having speeches
 8 printed which never were delivered and
 9 never could have been delivered.

10 While one of the members of the House
 11 was going over some of the speeches that
 12 had been ^{so} printed, although not spoken, ~~by~~
 13 by Mr. LaGuardia of New York, he found to
 14 his amazement that ~~xxx~~ a speech of Mr.
 15 LaGuardia's was identical with one
 16 delivered by Mr. Buchanan of Texas. The
 17 only difference between them was that
 18 Mr. LaGuardia's was printed on May 4th
 19 and Mr. Buchanan's on May 5th.

20 The Virginia representative who made
 21 this discovery suggested that there ought
 22 ~~to~~ to be a clearing house for Congressmen's
 23 speeches, so that when two men get their
 24 speeches from somebody else, they can
 25 be sure they are not getting the same
 one .

1 The two orations in question were
 2 identical except for a few minor changes.
 3 They even had the same purple passages
 4 and classical allusions.

1 Here are some prosperity items
2 that the United Press gathered from all
3 over the country for the Boston Traveller.
4 ~~In New York it was reported that a~~
5 ~~freight company earned a profit in the~~
6 ~~first quarter of this year as against a~~
7 ~~net loss of more than a hundred thousand~~
8 ~~dollars for the first three months of~~
9 ~~last year.~~

10 In Washington, the Federal Reserve
11 Board announced that the April gain in
12 department store accounts throughout the
13 country was even larger than the increase
14 estimated for the entire season.

15 In Denver, Colorado, ~~xx~~ a power
16 company reported that its net income for
17 1931 showed a marked increase over that
18 for 1930.

19 ~~In Wilmington~~^{In} Delaware, the makers
20 of a well-known national beverage ~~xxxxxxx~~
21 declared a quarterly dividend of \$3.50
22 on the common stock and an extra dividend
23 of 50¢.

24 ~~And in Philadelphia a power company~~
25 ~~reported a notable gain over its returns~~
~~for 1930.~~

HOSPITALS

1 By the way, I am asked to
2 remind you that this is national
3 hospital day. May 12th, ~~xx~~ as some of
4 you may remember, is the birthday of
5 Florence Nightingale, born 112 years
6 ago today.

7 There are 7,262 hospitals in the
8 United States, and during the year 1931
9 twelve million people were patients
10 in them.

1 In spite of yesterday's tragedy
2 the United States Navy dirigible Akron
3 started today to finish its troublesome
4 trip to Sunnydale, California, near San Francisco.

5 It's interesting to reflect that the
6 ~~these~~ ^{casualties yesterday} were the first deaths recorded by
7 the United States Navy in the landing
8 of ~~the~~ dirigibles.

1 The Wet victory in the Ohio
2 primaries seems to have created quite a
3 stir in Republican party circles.
4 Dick Warner, political editor of the
5 New York Evening Post, ^{declares} ~~says~~ that
6 Republican leaders of New York were
7 much encouraged by the results of the
8 Ohio primaries on Tuesday. The votes
9 of the Ohio ~~and~~ citizens have made
10 Republican leaders in New York
11 confident that President Hoover will
12 consent to a plank for a resubmission
13 of the 18th Amendment.

14 "There is no mistaking the change
15 in attitude of the Republicans since
16 even a few weeks ago," continues the
17 Evening Post. "At that time few
18 believed the Republicans could be
19 successful in the National election
20 this Fall. But the Ohio results have
21 given everybody a new confidence."
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Well, I've been to many a baseball game in my life, and if there's anything that gives me a thrill it's when the boys begin to get wild and heave ~~a~~ the ball all over the place. That's why I'd like to have seen that game in St. Louis. ~~yesterday.~~

We all learn today why wild Bill Hallahan of the St. Louis Cardinals is called Wild Bill. They had a marvelous game against the Dodgers in St. Louis. ~~yesterday.~~ For eleven innings Wild Bill turned in a splendid job of pitching. For eleven innings he was well nigh perfect. Then in the twelfth he almost established a new world's record for wild pitches. After having struck out twelve of the Dodgers he let go three wild ^{ones} ~~pitches~~ and a base on balls. So that the game which had been a tie up to that time, was just dropped neatly into ~~the~~ Brooklyn's lap.

And they do say that Wild Bill isn't the only man that's wild today in St. Louis. ~~And that's what makes the wild cat wild and so - l - u - t - e - m -~~

1 Here's one of the ^{funniest} ~~darndest~~ hobbies
2 I ever heard of. Can you imagine a man
3 who spends large portions of his waking
4 time collecting the skins of tattooed
5 people?

6 Well, I find from a United Press
7 dispatch in the Newark News that the
8 owner of this quaint hobby is Doctor
9 Fukushi, a lecturer at the Tokio
10 Imperial University.

11 The Doctor felt especially good
12 today because he discovered a 57-year-
13 old barber whose entire body is
14 tattooed. Every square inch of that
15 man's skin bears some sort of design,
16 except his face. As soon as the Doctor
17 heard of this curiosity he rushed to see
18 the man and obtained the barber's promise
19 to bequeath him his skin.

20 Doctor Fukushi has been collecting
21 these tattooed skins for 26 years. He
22 already has a lot of choice specimens,
23 and no less than 18 people have promised
24 to make him similar ^{bequests} ~~bequests~~
25 wills.

1 So if there is anybody listening
2 in who wants to become immortal in this
3 way, ~~you have~~ the Doctor's address ^{is} - The
4 Imperial University, Tokio. I'm sure
5 the Doctor will be glad to hear from
6 you.

1 You might think that an Englishman's
2 high hat couldn't get any higher, but
3 you're wrong. There's one Englishman
4 whose hat has been lifted a whole inch,
5 and he's quite an important Englishman,
6 too. In fact, ~~he's~~^{he's} the King.

7 Every now and then they overhaul the
8 royal crown. According to a dispatch
9 from Joe Grigg to the New York Sun, King
10 George doesn't have to wear this curious
11 headpiece very often, and I'll bet he's
12 glad of it. Those who have been to
13 London and seen this jeweled lid in the
14 Tower must have realized what an ordeal
15 it is to have to walk around with a thing
16 like that pressing down on your ^{fevered} brow.

17 At the last overhauling it was
18 discovered that ^{His Majesty's royal sky piece} ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ crown had sunk in
19 and was so insecure that it might have
20 gone all out of shape when the King
21 tried to wear it. Apparently it hasn't
22 been ^{reblocked} ~~overhauled~~ since the day it was made
23 for Queen Victoria, in 1838. So they
24 not only cleaned the 3,000 jewels in it,
25 but reset them, adding more gold to the

royal belly.
~~headpiece~~

1 It's now an inch taller than
2 it was when Queen Victoria first put it
3 on. As the King himself weighs only 150
4 pounds, you may imagine what he'll feel
5 like with that load ^{of gold and jewels} on top of his royal dome.

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7 ~~They do say it isn't all beer and~~
8 ~~skittles being King of England.~~

9 Well, my headpiece is neither royal
10 nor made of gold — nor is it studded
11 with jewels. But it's time for me to put it
12 on and say s - l - u - t - m.