

Good Evening, Everybody:

1 The Beautiful Lady Prosperity
2 seems to be visiting New England.

3 The Associated Press reports ~~x~~
4 the New England Council today as
5 declaring that business in New England
6 has definitely turned the corner. One
7 big textile company reports that
8 business this year is 10% better than
9 last year.

10 Another big manufacturing
11 company has 40% more employe^es on its
12 payroll right now than it had at this
13 time last year.

14 These are just a couple of
15 examples that are cited to show that
16 there is a definite upward trend of
17 business in New England.

1 They had a lively election in
2 the first Wisconsin Congressional
3 district today. The voters turned out
4 to elect a member to Congress. The
5 Associated Press says the local interest
6 in the election was greatly increased by
7 a bit of Communist electioneering last
8 night. The Communists had a candidate
9 in the field, and they proceeded to
10 enliven the campaign with a bit of
11 fireworks.

12 They started a meeting, and two
13 policemen approached a man who was about
14 to climb upon a public monument to make a
15 speech. This ardent Communist lowered
16 his head and charged the cops, trying to
17 butt them something like a goat.

18 ~~Or maybe it was something like~~
19 ~~a bull fight, with the Communist as the~~
20 ~~bull, the cops as the matadors, and the~~
21 ~~night-sticks taking the place of swords.~~

22 ~~Anyway,~~ as the ^{plunging} Communist came
23 charging forward with lowered head one
24 of the cops found a convenient opening
25 for a swipe with a night-stick. And

1 immediately the ^{other}~~crowd of~~ Communists
2 came swarming around the two policemen.
3 Other cops came tearing up and there was
4 a lively scrimmage. Eight men and a
5 woman were arrested.

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1 Let's have a fashion item. It
2 tells us what the well-dressed Big Shot
3 should wear. The Prince of Wales is
4 supposed to dictate men's fashions ~~of~~ ^{for}
5 the ~~whole~~ world. And I guess that the
6 dictator of fashions for the underworld
7 should be Scarface Al Capone.

8 It has been noted far and wide
9 that the Big Shot, ~~now~~ on trial in
10 Chicago, is ~~certainly a~~ ^{one} fancy dresser.
11 And now, among other evidence brought
12 out at the trial, is proof of what a
13 really fancy dresser he is.

14 The prosecution, in trying to
15 establish the large amount of money that
16 Scarface Al is accustomed to spend, has
17 put into the court record a list of the
18 Capone wardrobe and how much each
19 article cost. The Associated Press wires
20 the list from Chicago, ~~and~~ ^{and} the papers are ~~fall~~
21 ^{featuring it.} How much do you suppose the Big
22 Shot pays for a suit, an ordinary every-
23 day suit? He pays 135 bucks ~~a piece~~ ^{for it.}
24 ~~them.~~ He spends 150 dollars for an
25 overcoat, \$4.95 for a necktie, \$12 a

1 suit for underwear, and \$27.50 for a
2 shirt, plus \$1.00 for the Capone
3 monogram neatly enbroidered on ^{it} ~~the shirt~~.
4 Around his burly neck he wears a collar
5 worth \$2.00, and he mops his fevered
6 brow with a \$2.75 handkerchief.

7 Well, if you have to spend that
8 much money for clothes in order to be a
9 Big Shot, I guess I'll be content to be
10 one of the Little Shots.

1 ~~He~~ (Japan has said "no". She
2 has said it to the League of Nations.
3 No, she won't get out of Manchuria.

4 At the special session of the
5 League Council which was called today
6 to deal with the trouble out in the Far
7 East, the Japanese delegate got up and
8 flatly announced that the Japanese
9 troops will not withdraw from the
10 parts of Manchuria they have recently
11 occupied. He ~~xx~~ added, says the
12 International News Service, that Japan
13 had no territorial ambitions. She
14 doesn't intend to grab any of China's
15 land.)

16 But just the same, he made it
17 strong that the mikado's soldiers ~~would~~^{will}
18 stay in Manchuria until the safety of the
19 Japanese residents of that country ~~was~~^{is}
20 guaranteed. He made it explicit that
21 the safety of the Japanese must be
22 guaranteed in a way that will satisfy
23 Japan.
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1 There was a bitter exchange
2 between the Japanese and Chinese
3 delegates at the League Council. The
4 Japanese delegate repeated what has
5 been Japan's contention all along, that
6 the Manchurian trouble must be settled
7 without interference by the League of
8 Nations or any other outside power. The
9 Japanese want to bring about an agreement
10 by direct negotiations with the Chinese.

11 Dr. Sze, the Chinese delegate,
12 is quoted by the United Press as
13 declaring China will never negotiate with
14 Japan until the Japanese troops are
15 withdrawn from the disputed section of
16 Manchuria.

17 And that seems to leave the
18 matter in a deadlock, with each side
19 swearing that it won't give way an inch.

20 In an effort to ~~break~~^{break} that
21 deadlock, the Council of the League of
22 Nations is holding a meeting this evening
23 at the hotel of Foreign Minister Briand
24 of France. All the delegates will be
25 there except the Chinese and Japanese.

1 In other words, it's a gathering of the
2 representatives of the neutral nations.

3 The International News Service
4 sends along the report that the meeting
5 this evening may invite the United
6 States to lend the League a helping hand
7 in settling the Far Eastern trouble.
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1 Meanwhile, warlike reports come
2 from China. The United Press cables that
3 Chinese military forces are moving
4 northward from the Yangtze River today.
5 The troop movement looks at though it
6 might be in anticipation of a possible
7 war with Japan.

8 (In Manchuria Japanese airplanes
9 dropped bombs on three trainloads of
10 Chinese soldiers at the town of Tahasan.
11 Marshal Chang, the military Governor of
12 Manchuria, is said to be withdrawing
13 his troops from the provinces and is
14 concentrating them south of the great
15 wall, that famous great wall of China
16 which was built to separate the
17 celestial kingdom from the barbarous
18 country of the Manchus, *long, long ago.*)
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1 Right in line with today's
2 session of the Council of the League of
3 Nations is an article in this week's
4 Literary Digest. It gives us an
5 interesting summary of the importance
6 of the efforts which the League is making
7 to solve that Chinese and Japanese tangle.

8 The Digest points out that the
9 whole thing has a wider meaning than the
10 mere settlement of the Far Eastern
11 quarrel, and quotes the Washington News
12 as asserting that while the settlement
13 of Japan's war of aggression against
14 China is a serious problem, it is
15 insignificant when compared with the
16 larger issue of rescuing the world's
17 peace machinery.

18 And the Digest gives us the
19 two sides, the pro and con, concerning
20 a point of view which is quite common.
21 On one hand there's the attitude that
22 the League of Nations is helpless in the
23 face of an actual state of war in
24 Manchuria. Yes, what can the peace making
25 boys in Geneva do in the face of the

1 armed forces of Japan.

2 But there's another slant which
3 the Literary Digest gives us, quoting
4 the Baltimore Sun. "It will be said",
5 remarks the Sun, "that the League has
6 not been sufficiently forceful."

7 Then follows the comment that the
8 more the League can become the instrument
9 of reason and the less it is set up as a
10 means of coercion, why the stronger and
11 more permanent will be its power.

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Father Bernard
Hulbeard - "The
Glacier Priest"
head of the
Dept. of Geology,
U. of Santa
Clara, Cal.
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INTRO FOR FATHER HUBBARD

In the early part of last June we had a story on the air about the Glacier priest. Yes, it was a story with a lot of suspense. It told that the Glacier Priest had been lost and fleets of airplanes were preparing to fly to his rescue.

The Glacier Priest was Father Bernard Hubbard, head of the Geology Department of the University of Santa Clara, out in California. His specialty was glaciers. That's why he was called the Glacier Priest. He is a member of the Jesuit Order, and at one time ~~was~~ he was Chaplain to the Empress Zita of Austria. But Father Hubbard is known chiefly as the Glacier Priest.

Well, with a party of students, he had gone to Alaska and then he had flown by plane into the wilds of the Alaskan Peninsula. He vanished from sight and spectacular rescues were under way.

Father Hubbard has just returned from that adventure of his in the Alaskan wilds. He's preparing a book now, and assembling his motion pictures. It's always a noble and affecting theme - he was lost but he has returned. However, that theme seems to be a little bit cockeyed or otherwise bowlegged.

I think I'll have Father Hubbard tell you why.
He's right here with me.

I wish you'd tell us, Father Hubbard about that story
of how you were lost, the one I told on the air last Summer.

FOR FATHER HUBBARD

Thank you, Mr Thomas. This is ^{my} first appearance ^{before} to an unseen audience and I am glad it happens to be made up, through your courtesy, of ^{friends of my old friend the Literary Digest.}

1 Well, it was a great story, but
2 I'm afraid it was a tall story. It should
3 have been told at a meeting of that Tall
4 Story Club of yours.

5 I wasn't lost at all. For
6 an explorer to be lost is a contradiction
7 in terms. He is a fine explorer if he
8 gets lost.

9 The ~~xxxxxx~~ truth is that
10 we flew up there in the Alaskan wilds and
11 ^{after turning over while flying above the erupting volcano}
our plane sat down on a ^{small} lake. We had to
12 wait for five days before we could ^{get a wind to} take
13 off again. I'm afraid some airplane
14 companies wanted ^{the wrong kind of} a little publicity and
15 took advantage of the fact that nothing
16 was heard from us for five days. So
17 they put out those stories of organizing
18 fleets of planes to hunt for us.

19 ~~Now~~ No, an explorer is
20 not supposed to be lost. He's supposed
21 to find things. And we did find a few
22 things that are worth telling about.

23 I had three college boys,
24 ^{NAMES} three students of mine along with me, and
25 we explored the moon craters of the

1 Alaskan Peninsula. Nobody had ever *thoroughly*
2 investigated them before.

3 We found the two largest craters
4 in the world, active, spouting, fire-*belching*
5 ~~belching~~ volcanoes.

6 The biggest crater known to
7 science heretofore, ~~xxx~~ ^{Katmai} was a crater
8 eight and four tenths miles in
9 circumference. But in those moon craters
10 of Alaska we found one *twenty-one* miles
11 around. Its name is *Amakchak*
12 And then another, *twenty* miles around.
13 Its name is *Veniammof*. Well, that
14 mighty crater of *Amakchak*,
15 the largest in the world, had a terrific
16 eruption this summer. It rained ashes
17 for *3* hundreds ~~of~~ miles around and shot
18 its flames ^{20,000 feet} high into the sky.

19 My ^{pilots Blunt & Monsera} boys and I flew over it
20 toward the end of the eruption and
21 then we explored it on foot. ^{my student party} It was so ^{for 6 weeks}
22 hot our thermometers burst. ^{500° F} ^{light miles} ^{below our feet.}
23 ^{Dust}

24 This was all very exciting
25 but we were not lost. That story about
fleets of airplanes looking for us, well,
Mr. Thomas, you can just put that in your
book of *Tall Stories*.

AUSTRALIA

Well, Father Hubbard, let's drop from that land of sporting volcanoes all the way down to Australia. Page 16

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In London a petition has been presented asking that the British government lend a helping hand to 100,000 people who want to leave Australia. This is just another instance of the bad success that the British ^{have} had in trying to get rid of some of the surplus population of England. The idea is to get Englishmen to immigrate to the British colonies. And there have been a number of plans to persuade them to do so.

One project was to ship English immigrants to Australia, where there are vast stretches of unoccupied land. Thousands and thousands were sent, but the transplanted Englishmen don't seem to ~~have got~~ ^{get} along very well in the great continent of the ~~Western~~ ^{Southern} Hemisphere.

And so 100,000 of them are now petitioning the British government to take them back to England. They claim they haven't been treated well by the Australians. They have been herded into internment camps. The Associated Press

1 quotes the petition as declaring that
2 those English immigrants in Australia
3 are in a condition of misery, semi-
4 starvation, and despair.

5 They not only want to be taken
6 back to England, but they also demand
7 that the government shall pay them money
8 as compensation for the bad time they
9 have had in the land of the wallabi and
10 the Kangaroo.

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1 Wait a minute. What's this? The
2 Spanish armada in the news?

3 Yes indeed, that's a fact. The
4 Spanish armada is in the news, although
5 it's somewhat different from that
6 resplendant fleet of galleons that
7 sailed against England three hundred
8 odd years ago. This Spanish armada
9 consists of fishing boats, but it's
10 causing John Bull a good deal of
11 uneasiness just the same. It appears
12 that for several months now a fleet
13 of sixty Spanish fishing trawlers
14 had been heading up the west coast of
15 England and catching all the fish. They
16 cruised around with long nets and the
17 way those Spaniards haul in the fish
18 is distressing to the British fishermen.

19 The New York Evening Post
20 declares that the menace of this new
21 Spanish armada has been brought into
22 the House of Commons. British fishing
23 interests point out that they are
24 faced with considerable loss because
25 of the way those Spaniards catch fish.

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They demand that something should be
done about it, but just what can be
done is ^{rather} ~~a bit of~~ a bloomin' puzzle *don't-you-*
know.

1 From Italy this evening comes
2 a sound of farewell and goodby. Yes,
3 they say it's the last farewell to the
4 Mafia, the old and infamous black-hand
5 organization of Sicily.

6 The Associated Press reports
7 that 243 men were put on trial today in
8 the city of Palermo. They are charged
9 with every variety of crime common to
10 the black-hand. The trial is expected
11 to last a month.

12 Mussolini's government has been
13 engaged in a long and drastic campaign
14 to stamp out the Sicilian Mafia, also
15 the Camorra at Naples. They say the
16 Black Shirt method of going after the
17 black-handers has been tough and
18 hardboiled.

19 And now the Italian authorities
20 announce that the 243 men who went on
21 trial today are the last remaining
22 members of the notorious Mafia Society
23 which for generations terrified and ■
24 almost ruled the island of Sicily.
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1 There seems to be something
2 eloquently appropriate about this next
3 bit of news. It tells of a wedding
4 in which the bride and ~~xxxxx~~ bridegroom
5 were handcuffed to each other.

6 Yes, as they stood there before
7 the minister to be hitched, one arm of
8 the bridegroom was handcuffed to the
9 adjoining arm of the bride.

10 It happened at Cambridge,
11 Massachusetts. The International News
12 Service explains that Fernan Lowe was
13 tipped off that some friends of his were
14 up to a practical joke. They planned to
15 abduct the bride at the wedding. But
16 Fernan fooled them. He fixed it so
17 that if anybody abducted the bride
18 they'd have to abduct him also. That's
19 why the bride and bridegroom were
20 handcuffed at the altar.

21 They went off on their
22 honeymoon still handcuffed together. It's
23 all highly symbolical. That's what
24 marriage means, handcuffed, a ball and
25 chain, a yoke, a halter. Well, I'm married
and handcuffed myself, but not to this
microphone, and so I'll say so long
until tomorrow.