

British justice went its Rhadamanthine way today.

In spite of all appeals and protests, the public executioner carried out the sentence of the court on ^{those} two members of the Irish Republican Army at Birmingham. To be strictly accurate, there was ~~not~~ ^{not} one executioner, but four. The two men, Peter Barnes and James Richards, were hanged simultaneously while their countrymen held meetings and parades of protest.

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The principal demonstration was in Dublin, where the paraders carried black flags marked with skulls and cross-bones. When they reached the general post office in the middle of Dublin, they halted. That had been the center of the famous Easter Rebellion, the abortive uprising of Nineteen Sixteen, and there all the people in the parade stood silent for two minutes. One of their spokesmen, who had recently been removed from England, declared that the British Government was guilty of murder in carrying out those death sentences. And he added:- "It is now up to the workers in the cause of Ireland to have revenge; an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." Later on there were meetings of protests in other parts of Eire.

Tonight Peter Barnes and James Richards are being acclaimed in Eire as national heroes, martyrs. And that makes a difficult situation for Premier de Valera who has all along been opposed to the terroristic methods of the Irish Republican army.

At about the same time those I.R.A. men were being hanged, a British ship came to grief in the waters between England and northern Ireland. No lives were lost but it was hinted that the explosion and sinking of ~~that~~^{the} vessel had some connection with the executions. One evening paper said the explosion was a mystery. However, several of the crew declared that it seemed to them their craft had struck a mine amidships.

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The feeling throughout ^{Ireland is} ~~Ire is pretty~~ tense. The protesters are making much of the fact that Barnes and Richards were convicted on ~~entirely~~ circumstantial evidence and that the other people on trial with them were acquitted. The deValera government is taking extreme precautions and police measures to hold all demonstrations within legal bounds.

JAPAN

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The Japanese are showing ~~xxx~~ their teeth to Uncle Sam in a new fashion. The latest is that they contemplate kicking all Americans out of China. This came to light today in the Japanese Parliament in a manner that evidently was preconceived and prepared by the government. One of the members arose to ask a question of the Foreign Minister. The question was, whether the Mikado's Government intended to advise the United States Government that all American residents should withdraw from China? ^{It} It then became conspicuous that Foreign Minister Arita did not deny it. He answered in these words:- "That is a grave question; I cannot reply at present." Arita then hinted that Japan was drawing closer to the Russian Bear. He didn't say it in so many words, but the hint was ~~xxxxxxxx~~ unmistakable. Then the Japanese Premier, Admiral Yonai, had some thing to say about Japanese relations with the U.S.A. It was on the subject of our request that Japan guarantee the security of American nationals inChina. Yonai's reply was that he did not wish to interpret that demand with ill-feeling. But, he added - this has a significant sound - "Japan will have to reconsider the status of Americans inChina if the United States continues its hostility to what the Japanese are doing on the

mainland. If the United States does not try to understand the true intentions of Japan and attempts to exert more pressure, we, the Japanese Government, are prepared to take a firm attitude."

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The latest from Finland is that those eighteen thousand Russians killed north of Lake Ladoga have shrunk. There seems to be something magical in the number eighteen. It was the Eighteenth Division destroyed according to a Swedish report, eighteen thousand Bolsheviks slain. But today the word from Helsinki is that Russian ski battalions, we don't know how many, were put to flight and scattered northeast of Lake Ladoga and that the total of Russians killed in that sector was eighteen hundred.

We ~~also~~ learn that the Russians have been ^{again} using a stunt they practiced in peacetime with much benefit of publicity, ~~that was the stunt of dropping soldiers in parachutes behind the enemy lines. Evidently they've been trying this in Finland.~~ The Finnish Government today issued instructions to the population on how to deal with parachutists. They ^{are} ~~were~~ urged to be careful how they approach these invaders, ^{who are} ~~in parachutes, that they're~~ well armed and use their weapons ruthlessly, ~~either to kill or do as much damage as possible.~~ The thing for civilians to do is ~~to~~ notify the police or military authorities as quickly as possible. Some of ^{the} ~~them~~ ~~these~~ parachutists ~~who were~~ dropped behind the lines are still at large.

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It is believe that they ^a were women spies, ~~The jobs of these~~
~~parachute invaders is~~ ^{sent} to dynamite bridges and lines of communication,
mingle with Finnish soldiers and try to get information and spread
propaganda.

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In London the House of Commons was informed that the  
British Government is urgently - that's the word - "urgently"  
supplying the Finns with planes, both bombers and pursuit craft.  
Incidentally, Moscow issued one of its rare announcements about  
<sup>o</sup>~~that~~ Finnish War. The Moscow radio gave out the news that three  
British planes had been shot down on the Finnish front. The  
communication adds these words:- "Although the Finns now possess  
a large number of new and x fast planes, they are too cowardly to  
accept battle and prefer to withdraw when they meet the brave  
Soviet air force." <sup>So say the boastful Bolshies,</sup> ~~That's how the Bolos refer to the enemies they're~~  
invading.

In America, the Foreign Relations Committee of the  
Senate approved a bill to expand the capital of the Export-Import  
Bank. By a vote of twelve to six the Senators are in favor of adding  
a hundred million dollars to the Bank's capital, which would make  
possible the extension of further aid not only to Finland but to China.

FINLAND - HOOVER

Today is Finnish Labor Day, and throughout this country hundreds of meetings are being held, Labor rallies, to help the Finnish Relief Fund of which ex-President Hoover is the head.

A cable message has just come from the President of the Finnish Federation of Trade Unions in Helsinki. It is addressed to: "Workers of America!" And then goes on to say: "Finland is the victim of unscrupulous aggression in utter ~~disregard~~ disregard of our country's desire for peace and readiness to negotiate." Another sentence from the cable reads: "We are fighting an immeasurably superior force. We are fighting to repel Bolshevist imperialism from our country." ~~And the superiority of the enemy does not frighten us in our life and death struggle. But the struggle grows fiercer daily. The enemy's great superiority can crush us unless we obtain effective help."~~

~~And then the President of the Finnish Federation of Unions thanks the workers of America for what they have done~~

In addition to the meetings of workers throughout America, today and tonight, society people are also gathering far



and wide. Here in New York City, Lynn Fontanne and Alfred Lunt are presenting a brilliant performance of Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew," all the proceeds to go to the "Help Finland Fund." Screen, stage and radio stars are gathering at the Waldorf tonight, for one of the largest cabarets ever arranged, all for Finland.

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RUSSIA

Ever since the invasion of Finland there has been a clamor that we should break off diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia. It came to a head today in the House. McCormack of Massachusetts was the spokesman, and he offered an amendment to the bill appropriating funds to the State Department. McCormack wanted to lob off the money to pay the salary for our Ambassador, Lawrence Steinhardt. There was a hot fight on it with several congressmen taking part. Dingle of Michigan, ~~was quite~~ impassioned, and shouted:- "If I can cripple Russia and Sovietism I am going to do it here and now!"

Eventually it came to a close vote and McCormack's amendment lost out by only three votes, the score was a hundred and eight to a hundred and five. And that only after Sam Rayburn, the Democratic leader, had told the House that we were treading on dangerous ground, <sup>because</sup> the international situation is tense. And then he pleaded:- "Let's not do a thing here in passion that might embarrass the country and involve the people." He pointed out that this action would not help Finland; <sup>and</sup> wouldn't <sup>hurt</sup> ~~help~~ Russia.

So the proposal lost out.

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DIES

William Dudley Pelley, leader of the Silver Shirts had an enjoyable time today. For several hours he held the spotlight of a stage in Washington, the stage of the Dies Committee. Pelley had prepared a good act for himself by remaining hidden for months while the Dies Committee had been looking for him. Jerry Voorhis of California wanted to know why he had appeared now, what had changed his mind, why was he cooperating after his bitter attacks on the committee? Pelley had a good answer. Said he, "One thing that changed my mind is meeting this committee face to face" and that brought a good laugh. # Then, he went on further with <sup>an</sup> ~~an handsome~~ apology to each member of the committee and to Chairman Dies for anything unpleasant that has occurred. <sup>After which</sup> ~~Then~~ he went on to tell all, or at any rate, a good deal, about his Silver Shirts, said ~~that~~ there are twenty-five ~~n~~ thousand of them and probably seventy-~~xi~~ five thousand fellow travellers. He also said he had been ~~invest~~ investigated by no fewer than three sets of G-Men and it seemed to him that the agents of the F.B. I. more or less approved of what

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the Silver Shirts are doing. He denied that the Silver Shirts were anti-semitic. And almost in the next breath he brandished a pamphlet which he had written and which he said contained statements from eighty-two Jewish leaders that they <sup>the Jewish leaders</sup> were planning to take control of the government. Of his twenty-five thousand members he said it was his guess that fifty percent of ~~them are~~ <sup>what</sup> <sup>he called</sup> "fine young Catholics."

One part of his examination brought a clash between Jerry Voorhis and Alabama Joe Starnes, the acting chairman. Voorhis asked Pelley about a charge that Pelley had made against President Roosevelt. The acting chairman stopped him and forbade Pelley to answer, said it was not an appropriate question. And Starnes ~~explained~~ explained that they were investigating merely un-American activities.

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Pelley then told the committee that after Hitler became Chancellor of Germany, Colonel Edward Emerson had offered to put fifteen thousand Germans in the Silver Shirts. Pelley investigated Emerson and was told he had been a courier

between the Bolsheviks in Germany and in Russia. So, said

Pelley, he turned down <sup>a</sup>that offer of fifteen thousand German

members for his Silver Shirts.

EARLE

A few years ago, George H. Earle of Pennsylvania, was one of the white-haired boys of the New Deal. That was after he had won an election and become governor of the keystone state. In fact, if I am not mistaken, the Democratic set-up in Pennsylvania was described as the "Little New Deal." But two years ago, the cards were reshuffled and the Little New Deal found itself at the bottom of the deck. Indeed, there was ~~even~~ quite a bit of political scandal about it, ~~most of which is now water under the bridge.~~

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However, it was still decided by those in high places that ex-Governor Earle was entitled to a reward. For some time it has been wondered what that reward would be. The news came out today. He becomes one of Uncle Sam's envoys. President Roosevelt today nominated him as Minister to Bulgaria, ~~thaxix~~ Bulgaria -- that's what you get when you lose an election!

ROBBER

~~The juncture of Broadway and Forty-Second Street, is~~  
~~generally described as the~~ busiest corner in the world. ~~In other~~  
~~words,~~ hardly the place in which to stage a hold-up. But a  
gentleman from Pittsburgh tried it. He walked into a candy store  
and flashed what looked like a pistol, ~~but turned out to be a phoney.~~  
The only people in the store were a couple of ~~young~~ salesgirls.  
They didn't know the pistol was a phoney, they just didn't care.  
Though neither ~~of them~~ weighs more than a hundred and twenty pounds,  
they pounced on <sup>the</sup> ~~that~~ man and by the time the police arrived, the  
cops had not only to arrest the fellow but ~~to~~ rescue him.

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Today, the would-be bold bandit was brought into court,  
and facing him were the two pretty girls. (I didn't ~~xxx~~ see them  
but it's a rule in newspaper work that any girls who could achieve  
such a feat must be described as "pretty"). But the prisoner  
couldn't see whether they were pretty or not. He was so ashamed  
and humiliated that all he could do was ~~xxxx~~ stare at the floor  
while the magistrate spoke words of praise for their presence of  
mind and courage of candy shop girls.

DRUNK

In Far Western Honolulu, a gentleman made money under ~~decidedly~~ unique conditions. Some weeks ago he was enjoying himself in a fashion which the police thought <sup>exuberant,</sup> ~~excessive.~~ ~~They~~ ~~say,~~ in fact, ~~that he was~~ trying to prove all over against the old scientific axiom that alcohol taken in large quantities will produce ~~all the effects of~~ intoxication. For which a judge who had no respect for scientific experiments, sentenced him to the ~~Hawaii hoosegow.~~ <sup>Hawaii hoosegow.</sup> ~~cooler.~~ <sup>cooler.</sup> The first week he was there he asked permission to go to the post office and the warden ~~of the prison~~ obligingly sent him, ~~there under the escort of~~ <sup>with</sup> a guard. ~~There he made a telephone call~~ <sup>And he did this</sup> and visited another office still accompanied by the guard. This ~~process was repeated~~ every week for seven weeks.

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Whereupon ~~then~~ the other inmates ~~of the prison~~ learned what it was all about. The office which this man had been visiting accompanied by ~~one of the~~ prison guards was the unemployment bureau. ~~And all the~~ While he was in jail he had been getting ~~five dollars~~ <sup>for being unemployed.</sup> a week <sup>by</sup> compensation. <sup>for</sup> The other prisoners didn't object ~~to that,~~ but ~~they~~ thought if he did <sup>it,</sup> they ought to ~~be treated~~ <sup>do</sup> likewise. So they all applied for compensation, and that was too much even for the government.



## KITCHENS

Here's a question for housewives:- How is your kitchen?  
Are its colors right? Does it blend suitably with your complexion?

In reply you may ask, "Who wants to know?"

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The answer is, the Painting and Decorating Contractors of America. They seem to be having a convention at French Lick Springs, Indiana, and it's the concensus of their opinion that your kitchen should harmonize with your coloring. They've even doped out the proper colors. If you're a blonde, your kitchen should be done in cool colors, greens, blues, and so forth.

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The brunette should be surrounded by strong tints, even stripes, browns, shades of orange, copper. Then how about the redheads?

Ah - listen to this:- soft creams, soft greens or yellow and

green, with perhaps dark browns. Like the Dark Brown when the Little Woman burns the pie.

And now Hugh,  
Your complexion  
Calls for blue!