

L.T. - SUNOCO, Friday, Dec. 1, 1933.

Good Evening Everybody:

The principal person in the limelight on the American stage today was Mr. Harry Hopkins, Federal Relief Administrator. Mr. Hopkins felt that he had been put on the spot by a bombshell thrown by Al Smith. Al, in the NEW OUTLOOK, had poked bitter fun at the Civil Works Administration. Mr. Smith declared that the establishment of the C.W.A., the Civil Works Administration, was a symptom that the P.W.A., the Public Works Administration, was not functioning properly. Among the phrases used by Mr. Smith was this: "Halfway between a lemon and an orange is a grapefruit. Halfway between a Public Work and a Relief Work is a Civil Work."

~~This~~ These brickbats were promptly ^{fielded} ~~filtered~~ and thrown back by ^{the pitching arms of} members of Mr. Roosevelt's administration.

Harold Ickes, Secretary of the Interior and Public Works

Administrator, intimated that Al's criticism arose out of the fact that he was a sore head, that he was still ^{grousing} ~~browsing~~ ~~grousing~~ over his defeat for the nomination in Chicago.

^{Then} ~~And~~ Harry Hopkins, Federal Relief Administrator

and also head of the C. W. A., the Civil Works Administration, replied: "If putting four million men to work puts me in the grapefruit business, I am delighted to be in it." After which Mr. Hopkins squirting his grapefruit in the direction of Ex-Governor Smith's eye remarked that the New Outlook criticism sounded to him like sour grapefruit juice. Finally Mr. Hopkins pointed to the fact that by the end of the last week the Civil Works Administration had put almost one million, two hundred thousand unemployed to work. That was his answer to Mr. Smith's sour observations.

FRISCO

The list of people being put to work on C.W.A. jobs ^{does}
~~is~~ ^{seem to be} growing all the time. For ~~just~~ instance, here's a story
from San Francisco saying that nearly eight thousand men and
women will be working on these jobs in that city by tonight.

^{As for California at large}
~~In the state,~~ twenty thousand will be swinging the shovel
and other implements on highway construction. The relief
rolls in California are to be discontinued by midnight, tonight.

In selecting men to fill these jobs, married ^{ex-} soldiers have the
first choice. ~~Incidentally~~ Incidentally, today is the first
pay-day for those who've already been at work. Many of them ^{tonight}
are receiving ~~tonight~~ the first checks they've had in two or
three years.

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CRISFIELD

~~xxx~~ An interesting telegram has just been handed to me. It comes from Crisfield, Maryland, and it runs as follows: "Have been listening to your broadcasts regarding the invasion of the Eastern shore. I note you're getting ~~your~~ information from Ritchie's cousin, (meaning Governor Ritchie's cousin David Winebrenner" ~~meaning~~ the attorney-general of Maryland)".

Then the telegram continues: "Please be fair in the future and get both sides of the case."

And it concludes: "Governor Ritchie's acts were an insult to every citizen of Maryland."

The telegram is signed "A. Wallington Tawes, President of Crisfield Chamber of Commerce."

And that's all there is from Maryland tonight — that one hot shot.

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L.T. Corres.

SHARKEY

You may recall that four gentlemen known as the Touhy mob were put on trial in St. Paul on ^{the} charge of kidnapping William Hamm, Jr. They were tried and acquitted. However, they were not released, they were held in prison awaiting extradition to Chicago, where the authorities want to put them on trial again, this time on a charge of having ~~with~~ kidnapped Mr. John Factor, popularly known as Jake-the-Barber. Today one of that mob, by name Willie Sharkey, who is said by police to ^{have been} ~~be~~ one of the most bloodthirsty killers, developed ^{by} the prohibition era, was found dead ~~in his cell~~ in the County jail of St. Paul. He had hanged himself ^{from} ~~at~~ a bar of his cell with his necktie.

The news feature in this, I am informed, ^{is} ~~was~~ that Mr. Sharkey was the first gentleman of his profession to take his own life.

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INSULL

Uncle Sam has had plenty of trouble over Samuel Insull. In fact he has even denounced the extradition treaty with Greece on his account, a treaty which only recently went into effect. But now it looks as though the one-time Utilities King of Chicago may be hauled back after all. Mr. Insull is residing in Greece under a permit, a permit which any foreigner has to have to be allowed to remain there. This permit expires on New Year's Eve. A wireless from Athens by way of London carries the information that the dope is ^{this permit} ~~it~~ may not be extended. In which case Mr. Insull will have to get out of Greece and Uncle Sam will be able to nab him. — *mebbe.*

IRELAND

An amusing bit of political news comes from Ireland.

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Eamon de Valera, President of the Irish Free State, ^{as you recall,} put himself up for election for one of the seats in the Parliament of northern Ireland. The ~~idea~~ was to make a gesture toward the Union between Ulster and the rest of Ireland, an idea to which many Ulsterites are violently opposed. The news now is that according to the final returns President de Valera has won that seat in Ulster, ^{and} by a large majority. However, he will not try to sit in the Ulster Parliament.

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REPEAL

Along about three o'clock next Tuesday afternoon the Eighteenth Amendment, the sorely abused, much quarreled over prohibition amendment, will pass out of existence. Between now and next Tuesday, the conventions of Ohio and Pennsylvania will have ratified repeal, they being the thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth states. The Utah Convention, ^{the 36th. and final one} will take place Tuesday afternoon.

Authorities the country over are expecting a terrific traffic jam at that hour. No liquor may be removed from Uncle Sam's bonded warehouses before repeal becomes an actuality. But all reports indicate that thousands of trucks will be lined up waiting for the gong and the dope is that ~~the~~ pedestrians had better watch their step. In many states the newly erected license bureaus are working overtime issuing permits to people who want to get into the business once more.

WASHINGTON

Now Let's see what has been going on in Washington ^{since} ~~after~~
Thanksgiving. First of all the Executive Commerce Policy
Committee had a meeting today. This is ^{the} ~~the~~ Committee
composed of delegates from the Departments of State,
Treasury, Commerce and Agriculture. Its purpose is to
negotiate with foreign countries on the subject of the
liquor quota. As you may have heard, Uncle Sam is going
to use the liquor importing business as a trading asset
in negotiations with foreign countries. The committee has
decided that for the time being, importations of liquor
will be based on a four-month quota. This quota will be
decided by averaging the importations from 1910 to 1914.
Oh yes, ~~Then~~ General Johnson has been having a run-in
with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Mr.
Walter Gifford, President of the A.T. & T., claims that
his Company doesn't need to have a code because it is a
non-competitive corporation. On this subject, the N.R.A.
Administrator declared: "I don't want to impose regulations
as to wages and hours, but if I have to I will." I suppose,

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in other words, that means that if the A.T. and T. doesn't write a code for itself, it will have one written for it.

The General also said that President Roosevelt's blanket code, the re-employment agreement, will be extended after the beginning of the year, so far as those industries are concerned which are not yet under permanent codes.

However, the great majority of the industries are already under such codes.

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COAL

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Even ~~that~~ though some people may be out of jobs, at least they're going to be kept warm this winter. As was indicated some weeks ago, the Federal Emergency Administration is going to see to that. The Administration has placed orders with coal mines for some ten million tons. This will be distributed all over the country to those who need it. And, by way of helping the good cause, the railroad companies in the east are going to reduce their rates on all traffic for the benefit of the Emergency Relief Administration. On coal the ~~xx~~ rates will be cut 20% and on merchandise 25%.

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THORNE

When a city man goes to the country and takes up farming, generally it takes what he earns in the city to support the place in the country. In other words the city fellow seldom knows how to run his place for a profit. But there are a few startling exceptions to this. Tomorrow at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago some sleek black Aberdeen Angus beef cattle will walk into the showroom. And they belong to a city man who has made a tremendous success of farming. His name is Oakleigh Thorne.

Shortly before the World War Mr. Thorne retired from a long career as a financier in the city. He went to Dutchess County, New York, at Millbrook, a few miles inland from President Roosevelt's home on the Hudson. Mr. Thorne went in for raising those black Aberdeen Angus beef cattle. Mr. Oakleigh Thorne states that these have won first place in international competition twenty-five times in twenty-eight years, proving that they produce the highest quality of beef. Now he has over a thousand head ~~of~~ on his Dutchess County hills.

He has sent two carloads of his coal black cattle to this most important of all livestock gatherings -- the International Exposition in Chicago. Year after year Mr. Thorne has made western cattlemen sit up and take notice. This item was obtained for me by William Brown Meloney, Junior, son of a former editor of the famous New York World, and son of Mrs. William Brown Meloney, who at present is the editor of the New York Herald Tribune Sunday Magazine. Like Oakleigh Thorne, the financier, young Bill Meloney has left the city and gone to the country. That is, he is the editor of the Pawling Chronicle, one of the oldest village newspapers in the country.

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At any rate, Mr. Thorne has proven conclusively that city folks can make farming profitable -- or maybe he's the exception that proves the rule the other way.

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HOMES

One thing the Administration has done is to save homes for a great many small owners. The Home Owners Corporation, the body established for this specific purpose, has made public the fact that already thousands have been benefited in this way. This process is going on at the rate of five hundred a day. In one week alone more than three thousand *loans* were made, amounting altogether to almost eight and a half millions.

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AVIATION

One day last week I remarked that it looked as though Rockefeller Center would be an aviation center. It certainly looks that way today.

I saw Tom Morgan, and he tells me that the New York offices of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, Curtiss-Wright Export Corporation, Curtiss Aeroplane & Motor Company, Curtiss-Wright Airports Corporation and Wright Aeronautical Corporation are now moving into the 32nd floor of the R. C. C. Building right above this studio.

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FOOTBALL

Football players and football fans all over the country wait eagerly every year for the New York Sun's nominations for the All-American Football Team. Well, it's just out. Mr. Gil Hodges one of the directors of the Sun has just sent it up to me. And there is the predominance of Pacific Coast players on the Sun All American. For instance, no less than five of the first eleven selected by the SUN's experts are Westerners.

Here they are: Left-End, Skladany, Pittsburgh;
Left tackle, Jorgenson, St. Mary's; Left Guard, Corde, Stanford;
Center, Bernard, Michigan; Right Guard, Rosenberg, Southern
California; Right Tackle, Wistert, Michigan; Right End, Larson,
Minnesota; Quarterback, Warburton, Southern California; Left
half back, Buckler, Army; Right half back, Feathers, Tennessee;
and Full-back, Mikulak, Oregon. That's the N.Y. Sun's team.
What's yours?

Sun.

HUNTERS

Here's something to interest the hunting fraternity - the gentlemen who go out with guns in the hope of bagging game, and, sometimes do, ^{but who} ~~do~~ ^{But} more frequently, like the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, ~~they~~ get their man.

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TALL

I have a letter from G. A. Adamson of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. He asks me whether I was a war correspondent for Collier's Weekly over in Manchuria during the Russo-Japanese war. He explains that he was over there and knew a war correspondent named Thomas who was in Port Arthur when the Japanese army battered and thundered its way into that powerful stronghold. The answer is "no." By golly no! If I had, it would have been in the days when like Mahatma Ghandi my clothes were held up with safety pins. During the Russo-Japanese war I was neither at the battles at the battles in Manchuria nor at the siege of Port Arthur. For me those were not the gun powder days they were the talcum powder days. Almost!

Mr. Adamson of Punxsutawney tells me he wants to become a member of the Tall Story Club and sends along a dizzy whopper. He tells about a dry spell they had out his way. He was walking along the bank of a river when he saw a fish heading upstream. It was so dry that that fish left a cloud of dust behind him. And there was a farmer near Punxsutawney, Pa., who had to pull up a two-hundred-and-sixty foot well and run that well through a clothes-wringer to get the baby a drink of water.

L.T. I suppose that happened during the Dry era.

CRANBERRIES

A gentleman in Chicago made the great mistake of getting into an argument with a woman. The woman in question was his sister and the argument took place at the ⁱⁿ Thanksgiving dinner. The fight was over the question, how many times should turkey be dunked in ~~the~~ cranberry sauce. The man maintained it should be dunked twice, but his sister said, ~~"Nonsense,~~ "Nonsense, three times". From contradiction it got to shouting. But the gentleman found that at that game he couldn't compete, ~~with his~~ *being unable to outshout her he* ~~sister.~~ So, ~~when he discovered he could not outshout her, he~~ ^{tr^w} ~~thre~~ ^{sister.} the cranberry sauce at ~~her.~~ But he omitted the precaution ~~of leaving the cranberries~~ ^{of first} ~~of~~ removing the cranberries from the dish, ~~first.~~ His sister called the police and the police called on the gentleman. He is now, as the old song says, "Sitting on the inside, looking at the outside, waiting for the evening mail".

BALONEY

This next story is about dollars and also about baloney, but not those baloney dollars that Al Smith ^{talked} ~~was talking~~ about.

The fellows who make baloney want to make more dollars, and so, ^{In other words there has} they've gone on strike. ~~There is~~ been a walkout in the sausage

industry in Chicago. They demand more money and longer hours.

The longer hours may seem like a lot of baloney, but it isn't.

The strikers are working at short hours and short pay and want

the hours extended and the pay stretched out. They say ~~that~~ if

they don't get a minimum of \$28 for a forty hour week, ~~they'll~~

there'll be no baloney in Chicago.

And so there's a strike in the baloney and liverwurst industry. The strikers say it's no baloney and the worst is yet to come, ^{and s-l-u-t-m.}

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