

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

(Tonight Max Schmeling lies suffering in a room at the Polyclinic Hospital, New York. His injury is described as a fracture of the transverse process of the third and fourth lumbar vertebrae.) This is a small lobe on the back of the vertebrae, a sort of peg to which Nature hooks our back muscles. A bad injury but not fatal. And it will keep him in the hospital for weeks. It will be six months before he'll be thoroughly himself. So the surgeons say.

The news of the injury to Schmeling has done one thing for him:- it has gained him the sympathy which he had lost for a while, not because he was knocked out but because in his first confession after he came to he had mumbled something about a foul. Max was referring to the frightful hammer blow that Joe Louis had landed on his kindeys. Then he took that back but continued to protest. "It was a

one-punch affair, it wasn't a fair test."

You can hardly blame him if that barrage of terrific blows battered him into such a complete bewilderment that he

can remember no details. ^{But} ~~If~~ Schmeling still thinks that smash

in the kidneys was the first bad one he received, he's ~~buggy~~

^{I saw the fight - and also have} mistaken. ~~He~~ just been looking at the motion pictures of that

extraordinary fight. The slow motion ~~photos~~ ^{scenes} bear out substantially

what the sporting writers recorded ~~from~~ ⁱⁿ the heat and excitement

of those crowded seconds. According to my count from the slow

motion picture, that blow to the kidneys was the fifteenth that

Joe had landed, ~~upon Max~~. Max's manager, Joe Jacobs, claims that

because of that blow Max was paralyzed. ^{Actually,} he was ~~almost~~

~~in the sense that Jacobs means,~~ paralyzed, when he received it. What's more, the slow motion camera

shows that Louis did not land one, but two, a left ^{and} right to the

kidneys.

Another thing that slow motion camera shows is that any

talk about those kidney punches being foul or even unfair is

absurd. (Here's what happened: Louis had driven Schmeling to the ropes with a ferocious succession of left-right, to body and jaw.)

Two in particular of those cracks to the jaw were so powerful that even in slow motion you can see Schemling's head snapping to one side as though it were about to break clear off from his spinal column. After fourteen such blows, Schmeling was drooped over, with his right glove clinging to the ropes, his left arm helplessly and aimlessly bent to protect his head. That left his entire left side completely exposed. (Then came the one-two to the kidneys. ~~that I just saw on the screen.~~ The first of them made Schmeling scream ~~audibly.~~ After the second he couldn't even scream, just emitted a deep groan of pain. Joe Louis said today: "It was the first time I ever hear a man scream in the ring.")

As Referee Arthur Donovan explained and in due accord with the rules, he considered Schmeling, clinging helplessly to the ropes, just the same as though he were knocked down. And thereupon you can see him pushing Louis away, sending him to a neutral corner.

~~Now there's another point being disputed today which~~

~~blow was it that smashed those bones in Schmeling's spine? Some~~

~~people assume it was these two smashes to the kidney, But here's~~
It's ^{ed} that broke the bone
in Schmeling's spine.) But here's

something else that happened. After Schmeling recovered sufficiently to leave go the ropes and wobble back into the center of the ring, Louis hit him six more terrific blouts on either side of the jaw. Again, as we watched, you'd think the man's head must have snapped off. The twenty-second felled Schmeling to the floor. He dropped on his back, legs waving feebly in the air, and rolled completely over. Now, it seems just as possible that it was this fall which leaves the unfortunate Max in a bed at the Polyclinic Hospital.

According to my count, Joe landed twenty-nine major smashed on the German.

Early this afternoon, a rumor ran like wildfire all over New York, in fact all over the world. And it caused plenty of trouble. This rumor was that Schmeling was dead. The telephone switchboard at the National Broadcasting Company was promptly swamped with hundreds upon hundreds of calls, inquiries into this rumor. As for the Polyclinic Hospital, so many queries poured in that the hospital for a while was unable to attend even to its emergency calls. All this time, of course, Schmeling was resting comfortably, as comfortably as a man can with a spinal injury.

TOWNSEND

Dr. Francis E. Townsend of California, ~~also~~ the old-age pension man, is still exceedingly alive. His narrow escape from serving thirty days in prison, owing to President Roosevelt's pardon, has not dampened his ardor in the least. *And*

now His followers are holding their Third National Convention in Los Angeles. There are eight thousand delegates at that show *and* *today* ~~and~~ they heard a rousing speech from the seventy-one year old founder. ~~if he were~~

If he carries out what he said today, there will be a third political party in the field next November and in Nineteen Forty, a Townsend Party. Said ~~he~~ *the doctor:-* "A new party is the best way ~~in the world~~ *the* to force passing of our bill through Congress." He meant, of course, the bill which would put into effect his ~~interesting~~ *alluring* pension plan. But he won't be a candidate.

~~himself. He declared:~~ "I'd rather be a maker of presidents," *said*

the Doctor modestly.

^ "What we need for a candidate is a business man."

CLEVELAND

Things
The ~~distressing condition~~ in Cleveland, ~~Ohio,~~ ^{are} rapidly growing no better. ~~There are~~ ^{no} relief funds in the city.

~~consequently, the~~ Families of the unemployed have neither money nor food. Up to now food has been supplied from the headquarters of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation, ~~that's the~~ ^{which was} ~~corporation~~ established to use Uncle Sam's money to buy up products wherever there is a surplus and distribute them where ~~they~~ ^{needed.} ~~there~~ weren't enough. But today the surplus ⁱⁿ ~~at~~ Cleveland ~~headquarters~~ wasn't ~~large~~ enough to supply those in need, ~~of food.~~ Crowds of people filled the corridors of the ~~Cleveland~~ City Hall, ~~of~~ the relief offices, and ~~the~~ food distribution centers. ~~They were~~ ^{hungry} men, women and children.

The distress we hear
However, there's hope in sight. ~~This condition~~ ^{is} due to a situation in the Ohio Legislature. ~~now sitting at Columbus.~~
The Senate and the House have been unable to agree as to what should be done toward a permanent relief program. And there ~~are~~ were signs today that their deadlock had been broken.

RECOVERY

~~Business news is encouraging in two places today. First of all Washington.~~ The Public Works Administration has approved building and construction projects that will cost more than two hundred and ten million dollars. Of that Uncle Sam will provide a hundred and seven millions. The largest of ~~them~~^{job} is a Mississippi bridge from the Illinois shore at East St. Louis to the Missouri shore of St. Louis.

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Running neck and neck with this announcement were today's happenings on the New York Stock Exchange. ~~Yes~~ ^{boom} boom market, the fifth ^{day} in succession. Stocks went up, also bonds. There was so much trading that once or twice the high speed tickers were six minutes behind. ~~the transactions.~~

HARVARD

For several months there has been a hot dispute raging around the faculty of Harvard University. President Conant has been a target for attack from two sides. First, because he appointed a tutor to the faculty who admits being a Communist. On the other hand, he had fired a couple of instructors who were just liberals.

Today President Conant came out into the open, took his stand flatly, and bluntly, and decline to back down. He spoke at a meeting of the Harvard Alumni Association, and said: "If we were to make appointments depend upon favorable or unfavorable publicity, we would jeopardize the independence of this institution."

WEAKFISH

Here's something interesting to salt water fishermen.

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In October, NineteenThirty-Two, the Fisheries Bureau of the Department of Commerce, took eighteen hundred weakfish and fed each of them a strip of red celluloid. On each bit of celluloid was a printed request, reading: "Anybody who catches this fish is requested to communicate with Uncle Sam's Department of Commerce."

The eighteen hundred fish were then thrown into the waters of Peconic Bay at the east end of Long Island. The other day, two of those weakfish were caught in that same Peconic Bay where they were thrown six years ago. What did that mean? It means, says the Bureau of Fisheries, that weakfish usually return to their home waters by the time they're three years old even though they may have wandered as far as five hundred miles away."

~~It's also interesting to observe that those two abled bodied weakfish escaped being caught all that time.~~

CIRCUS

~~Uncomfortable news from Scranton, Pennsylvania, that is,~~
~~uncomfortable for circus fans. But still more uncomfortable for~~
~~those who are engaged in the Big Show, from the owner down to the~~
~~youngest razor back.~~ The labor troubles of Ringling Brothers -
Barnum and Bailey came to a head at Scranton today. The performers
and employees first said flatly they would not take that twenty-five
per cent cut, the cut ~~that~~ the management ^{demande} ~~had offered.~~ John
Ringling North, President of the circus, said the show couldn't
go on unless wages were reduced. So the employees and performers

replied:-

~~said~~ "All right, we'll help you move the show back to winter
quarters." ^{Said the} ~~To which the~~ management: ~~replied:-~~ "We'll give you
until one o'clock to come back to work."

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They did ~~not~~ come back to work but after one o'clock they
took a vote. And a majority of the performers agreed to accept ~~that~~
~~twenty-five per cent~~ cut. However, the bulletin from Scranton ^{tells us} ~~said~~
~~that~~ even that did ~~not~~ settle the question. I called up John
Ringling North at Scranton and he tells me the fate of the Big Show
is still in the balance. ^{he:-} ~~He said~~ "I can't tell you anything
definite, I wish I knew myself." ~~And he added:- "I shan't, until~~

MEXICO

President Cardenas of Mexico is up against a new trouble.

~~It isn't Fascist this time.~~ It's industrial. There's a crisis in the textile industry. The owners of silk and rayon mills say they can't go on unless they're allowed to keep their factories open only three days a week. This, of course, the workers resent vehemently. The owners reply that if the government doesn't permit this they'll turn the factories over to the employees. By way of showing they're in earnest, they made President Cardenas a present of the keys to the factory^{ies.}

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POLAND

There's a strike in Poland, a hunger strike. The strikers are two hundred and twenty Jewish lawyers in Warsaw. ~~They are~~ men who have passed their examinations and normally would be entitled to be admitted to the bar, ~~and start practicing.~~ But the Polish Government suddenly came out with a new ruling. Say ~~the rulers of Poland~~: "There are enough lawyers for the time being. Therefore, there'll be no more admissions to the bar for the next seven years."

Legal friends of mine over here admit that there are more than enough lawyers, even in this country. But those hunger striking barristers in Warsaw claim that this is not the ~~real~~ real point. The object of that new government regulation, they say, is directed against Jews. At the end of seven years, they predict there'll be none but non-Aryan lawyers admitted. The Jewish lawyers in Poland at present number thirty-seven per cent of the total. On the other hand, the Jewish population of Poland is only eleven per cent. So the Government is proposing

The Jewish lawyers call this discrimination.
to even up the proportions. [^] That's why they're hunger striking.

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HUTTON

The affairs of Countess Barbara, the Woolworth heiress, seem to be growing more confused. First of all, her husband, the Count Haugwitz-Reventlow, admitted that there had been a difference of opinion with his Countess over the education of ~~little~~ two year old Lance. But American bankers in Paris say the argument is about Barbara's fortune. This rumor ^{states} ~~says~~ further that the Count wants her to invest her Woolworth millions in England and the continent of Europe, not in America.

Some days ago we heard that she owns a ^{tidy little bundle} ~~tiny little matter~~ of thirty million dollars' worth of Uncle Sam's bonds. ^{TP} Almost every European newspaper has a different version of the affair.

Two London papers declared that a warrant was issued at Bow Street, for the arrest of ^{the} Count ~~Haugwitz-Reventlow~~. Others ^{insist} ~~later say~~

~~it~~ it wasn't a warrant but a summons. And what does the Count say? Reporters asked him and he replied with a bark: ~~"I have~~

~~nothing to say.~~ "I detest reporters." ~~Mr.~~ Franklin Hutton,

^{remarked:-} Countess Barbara's father ^{said:} "I will not talk of these absurd stories about my little girl." As for ^{the baby -} ~~little~~ Lance Haugwitz-

Reventlow, the supposed cause of the dispute, he is ~~being~~ heavily guarded by ~~coppers~~ ^{Scotland Yard}

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KING

King George of England and Queen Elizabeth have postponed the visit of state which they were to make to France next week. ~~That of course is on account~~ ^{Because} of the death of the Countess of Strathmore, the Queen's mother. It was President Lebrun of France himself who telephoned to London and suggested that the royal visit should be put off. ~~The purpose of the visit was to unveil a memorial to the Australian soldiers who fell in the War.~~

^{now} The visit will take place on July Nineteenth and the King and Queen will unveil ~~that~~ ^{the} memorial on July Twenty-Second. Incidentally, the French government has built a special motor car to carry the King and Queen through the streets of France. It is open but protected with bullet-proof armour. The sides of the car have been built so high that only the head and shoulders of the King and Queen will be visible to spectators. ~~(For further~~

~~protection, police and soldiers in lines five men deep will be posted along all the streets through which the English King and Queen will drive. They will also be on guard at the entrances of all buildings and on rooftops. Altogether, an army of a hundred thousand soldiers, guardsmen and police have been mobilized for this purpose. (This for benefit of Canadian listeners.)~~

LONDON FOLLOW SPAIN

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The English House of Commons today has been the scene of another tense and angry session. The government had to give way to continuous demands from the opposition for answers to certain questions. The gist of those questions were, in parliamentary language: "What do the government propose to do about the continuous bombing of British ships in the Mediterranean?"

To this Prime Minister ~~Neville~~ Chamberlain replied in effect:

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"^{Do}~~The answer is,~~ nothing." Then he explained: "^{If we}~~If John Bull~~ were to try to stop the destruction of British ships ^{and}~~in that~~ venture into those war torn waters, ^{Britain}~~we~~ might soon become involved in a general war."

The leader of the Laborites suggested a blockade of the Balearic Islands, ^{or,}~~the islands~~ to the east of Spain, one of which has been a base for General Franco's bombing planes. To that Chamberlain replied: "A blockade of Majorca, if that is where the planes came from, would not hold the planes."

~~The Fiery little War Premier, David~~ Lloyd George, led the heckling of the Prime Minister. He suggested that England retaliate by bombing the Italian airdromes on those Balearic Islands. To which the Prime Minister retorted: "In his seventy-sixth year ,

Mr. Lloyd George apparently is prepared to plunge this country into war."

The heckling of ~~Premier~~ Chamberlain was bitter and merciless. At one time the hoots and jeers reached such a noisy chorus that the speaker had to intervene to stop the bedlam. But through it all, the aged Prime Minister stood his ground.

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