

Good Evening, Everybody:

TORNADO

Another tornado in the Southwest. This time the most serious of the year. Red Cross headquarters in Nashville, Tennessee, informed us by telephone that the list of dead ^{from the wind storms that raged thru parts of} may reach a hundred and fifty

or more. Accurate details are unavailable because telephone wires

are down in all directions. ^{The American Red Cross in Washington reminds us that this is the 7th severe tornado in the United States in 5 weeks.}

The wife of a physician who with her husband has been treating the injured since two o'clock this morning told us that from thirty to forty had been killed in Overton County, Tennessee, alone, and that more than sixty were severely injured."

She described the first arrival of the Tornado as an extraordinary sight. "About two o'clock this morning the floors in the houses seemed to rise out of the ground." She said that one family of seven children and father and mother were killed when their house was blown away. Only one chair was found. A mule was knocked to his knees and the wind actually pushed the animal into the ground to his belly. ^R Aid has been rushed from surrounding big cities and police departments have set up food and shelter stations. So far

as can be learned with the breakdown of communications, five communities in Tennessee and Kentucky have been devastated by the ferocious wind.

BUSINESS

And now, ~~some~~ More encouraging news for us all. Stocks, wheat, cotton, as well as steel and the automobile business, were all climbing up the ladder today, some of them in a fashion almost spectacular.

The Dow Jones ticker reported this afternoon a buying wave in the cotton center of New York City of ~~actually~~ unprecedented strength, many large houses declaring that never in the history of cotton has there been such concentrated activity.

The list of unemployed also continued to decrease, and an optimistic feeling is reported in labor circles. There are also gains in sugar and steel, while the New York Stock Exchange did a business of more than three million eight hundred thousand shares during the day. Some securities rose anywhere from one to five points. This is interpreted as a reflection of a drop in the value of Uncle Sam's dollar in the foreign money markets.

A.B.C.

FARM RELIEF

Well, the Farm Relief Bill is O. K. now, The Senate gracefully acceded to the ^{decision}~~position~~ of the House yesterday and passed it minus the amendment to guarantee the farmers cost of production. All that is needed now is the signature of the vice-president, the Speaker of the House, and the President. And then the bill is law.

M.B.C.

SPEAKER RAINEY

Who are the two most picturesque statesmen striding up and down the historic corridors of the Capitol in Washington these busy days? Well, I believe many observers would agree that a Republican is still entitled to this ~~xxx~~ distinction in the Senate, and a Democrat in the House, Senator Borah of Idaho, and Speaker Rainey of Illinois.

Although these are exceedingly busy days in the Capital, especially for the man who presides over the House of Representatives, nevertheless the statesmen break away for a few hours; ~~and~~ Today I encountered Speaker Rainey in New York and had a long ^{and interesting} ~~delightful~~ talk with him. We have at least one thing in common, namely, we are both farmers -- who fail to make our farms pay.

Speaker Rainey told me that he considered the present administration's Farm Relief Inflation bill the most important single piece of legislation that has been put into effect in our lifetime. In fact he made it stronger than that. He told me he considers it one of the most important pieces of legislation ever passed in the history of man. He says that

the future of our country, prosperity for all of us, hinges on whether or not good times can be brought back to the farmers of the country. He declares that since there are thirty millions of them, they constitute the largest buying power in the country. If they can receive a large enough return ~~to~~ ^{to} at least [^] cover the cost of production on their farms, they of course will commence buying, industry will boom, and better times will be here.

The Speaker of the House said to me that he thought the country had faced a far greater crisis, at the beginning of March, than most of us realized, that we had approached the brink of disaster, that we were going in the wrong direction. He is not overly optimistic, but he does feel that there has been an immense improvement and that instead of stagnating we are at least going somewhere.

I asked him if he and others who have long known Mr. Franklin Roosevelt have been surprised at the qualities that the President has shown in the two months that he has been in office. Speaker Rainey replied that they had indeed been surprised, and delighted. He said that he had known the President

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for many, many years and had long admired him, but that his physical strength, his capacity for prodigious work, had utterly amazed every one in Washington, that he tired every one out, that is, worked them until they were all in, and that the President ^{himself} never seemed to show signs of fatigue.

He agreed also that Mr. Roosevelt's sunny disposition and charm of manner is ideally suited to the present emergency, both as it concerns us here at home, and abroad.

Mr. Rainey was in New York today to address the leather men of the country, the Tanners Council of America, ^{at an} important session at the Waldorf.

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BONUS

The advance guard of the 1933 Bonus Army reached Washington today. This time they call themselves the Veterans' expeditionary Force.

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~~He~~ learned by telephone from Washington that the first

contingent of the veterans consisted of five hundred ragged but
The Washington police inform us that they are a decidedly orderly outfit,
determined men. Thousands more are on the way. They are being

taken care of by the Veterans Bureau and the War Department.

For the duration of the convention they will be the guests of Uncle Sam at Fort Hunt, Virginia.

The New York contingent, 200 strong, started on the march today. They were escorted over ^{to} the Jersey side of the Hudson River by a watchful force of New York police. In New Jersey the Jersey City and Newark police took over and escorted the men on their march. They will go to Washington by bus.

M.B.C.

RIOT

There was a young riot in New York City today which afforded considerable unexpected entertainment to office ^{employees} ~~workers~~ in the downtown district as they were going to work this morning.

For a considerable portion of the winter some two hundred hardy mariners out of a job have been ~~occupying~~ occupying a Y.M.C.A. relief shelter ^{on the} ~~in the~~ Manhattan waterfront. They enjoyed the shelter so long that they had ^{come} ~~got~~ to look upon the place as home. But apparently the word home does not mean to them a place which you have to keep clean. The theory of the shelter was that the inmates should be their own charladies in as much as the funds of the institution are not sufficient to hire such help. This, however, the inmates refused to do, and the Superintendent declared the place had got into a positively unsanitary condition. He was unkind enough to intimate that the unsanitary individuals were mostly Communists. ~~Rin~~

Finally today the Superintendent ~~of the Institution~~ told the sailors to clean up or get out. Their answer was a ~~xxxx~~ chorus of Bronx cheers, ^{whereupon} ~~with which~~ they barricaded themselves in their

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sleeping quarters. The Superintendent's answer ~~to this~~ was to put a telephone call to police headquarters and the so-called ~~Radical~~ Squad of New York's finest appeared on the scene with clubs, fists and fire in their eyes.

There was a short but joyous battle. The seamen met the clubs of the coppers with ^{chairs} ~~clubs~~ and legs wrenched from tables. In fact, the first squad of ^{cops} ~~police~~ was on the verge of being routed when reinforcements arrived.

By this time the news that their opponents were Communists added considerably zest to the fighting coppers. If there's any head that a New York copper loves to punch, it's that of a Communist.

Well, it all ended happily, that is, so far as the forces of law and order are concerned. The unruly and unsanitary inmates of the shelter were ejected, ~~that is~~ all except fifty-seven who landed in one of Father Knickerbocker's hoosegows.

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PARAGUAY

Well, the Republic of Paraguay has finally decided to admit that it is at war with Bolivia. The Paraguay^{an} Minister in Washington informed us over the telephone that he had received a cable from his government this morning announcing that the President has signed a decree declaring that Paraguay is in a state of war with Bolivia. By the same token Paraguay is proclaimed to be in a state of siege.

Of course the two republics have been fighting for almost a year and there have been some twenty thousand casualties on both sides. The cause, as most people will recall, is the age old squabble over that Gran Chaco territory which lies between the two countries.

FUNERAL

A distinguished soldier was buried today out on the Pacific Coast. He was Colonel Charles E. Stanton, a nephew of the Stanton who was ^{Abraham} Lincoln's War Secretary.

They gave him a magnificent funeral out ^{the} at Golden Gate.

Colonel Stanton was the man who uttered the words that were so long attributed to General Pershing, the words uttered during a ceremony at the tomb of Lafayette, ^{when America entered the War} with which he exclaimed at the close of his speech: "Lafayette, nous voila -- Lafayette, we are here."

It was not until General Pershing's memoirs were published recently that the world at large knew those words had been uttered not by the General, but by Colonel Stanton who was his aid.

A.B.C.

Ah, here's a news item that will bring loud cheers from most of the men who belong to the Explorers Club, and those who are connected with the museums and scientific societies of America. Yes, and I believe it will bring loud cheers from the public too.

The Film Daily informs us that a ruling has just been made in Washington by the Federal Trade Commission, a ruling that fake expediti^on films must not be shown in this country.

For instance, you ^{must not} ~~can't~~ go to Africa and take a lot of scenes, ^{and} then ^{expect to} come back to this country and put in a lot of hocus pocus, and get away with it. In other words if you want to build up a film and call it "Madagascar Speaks," or "Brazil Shouts!" it must be just that, and not Hollywood doing the speaking.

The Film Daily states that this action on the part of the Federal Trade Commission is directed chiefly at "faked animal pictures." It will not affect men like Martin Johnson, Major Radclyffe Dugmore, Captain John Noel, or a lot of other men who do splendid, genuine, and authentic work. In fact it will help them.

The oldest parliament in the world is not in England or in Egypt or in India. It's in Iceland. ~~Perhaps you will recall hearing a great deal about that two years ago. You may recall that two years ago the people of Iceland celebrated the thousandth birthday of their parliament.~~ What reminded me of this was a speech I heard before a crowd of a thousand people who had assembled to pay tribute to America's first woman diplomat, Ruth Bryan Owen. The speaker was Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the explorer, who is of Icelandic origin. Mrs. Owen, ~~as you know, is sailing~~ tomorrow as Uncle Sam's envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the Court of His Majesty, the King of Denmark and Iceland.

(4) Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of the President, was one of the speakers to pay tribute to Mrs. Owen. *Afterward all* ~~She said she admired one thousand dinners tried to shake hands~~ her adaptability, her diplomacy, her courage to do new things, *with Mrs. Roosevelt at once* ~~and her spirit of adventure.~~ *and* ~~with Mrs. Owen. I couldn't break thru the mob. It was a terrific jam around the dais.~~ *Fannie Hurst, the novelist, in a gorgeous red satin*

~~gown that made her look like a modern Queen Elizabeth, referred to Mrs. Owen as a pioneer, blazing a new trail in the world~~

The Danish Minister, Dr. Otto Wadsted, was there representing Denmark and Iceland. He gave a beautiful exhibition of suave, old-world diplomatic oratory. ~~His phrase~~ He said that the men of Denmark would welcome Mrs. Owen with open arms, or as far as men would dare go in that direction.

Oh yes, and Mrs. Owen told me that she is taking her children with her to Denmark. She is also studying Danish. She is going to take her motor caravan along again, and most important of all, her concertina, which she plays like nobody's business.

NAZI PARADE

They had an anti-Hitler parade in New York City today, ---
one ~~hundred~~ ^{strong --- (in a demonstration)} hundred thousand ~~culminating~~ ^{at} Madison Square
Garden. This was a protest against some of the acts of ~~the~~
Germany's Nazi government. In the line of march were not only Jewish
people but many who are not.

They included eminent judges, physicians, people
from all walks of life. The parade was led by Eddie Cantor, and
among those present was the eminent Dr. Bennie Leonard, *doctor*
of fisthuffs.

A.B.C.

HAY FEVER

Just as the hay fever season approaches, here comes a piece of information which is ~~xxx~~ vitally interesting to sufferers from both hay fever and asthma. ~~Incidentally, it comes home to me because there happens to be a serious case of hay fever in my own family.~~

Well, the good news is that scientists of Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore have been conducting some experiments which they believe ~~xx~~ have finally arrived somewhere.

The Experiments were carried out by Dr. Leslie Gay of the Johns Hopkins staff, who is quite an ~~xx~~ authority on the curious ~~new disease~~ ^{ailment} known as Allergy. ~~Dr. Gay had the cooperation of the Frigidaire Division of General Motors.~~

The experiments were inspired by the fact that victims of hay fever and asthma obtain relief by going to high altitudes. So the test consisted of installing an air conditioning equipment in the protein clinic of Johns Hopkins, and thereby obtain as nearly as possible an atmosphere as free from pollen as that of the Rocky

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Mountains or the northern part of the Great Lakes.

The experiment was started early last summer and the results were so striking that Dr. Gay ~~last Saturday~~ told the Society for the Study of Hay Fever and Asthma ~~at its annual meeting in Washington,~~ that the air conditioning treatment is a new and effective method of attack on these tiresome diseases.

A complete account of the experiments and of the method and results written by Dr. Gay is published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. Among other things Dr. Gay reports: "Complete relief was given to patients suffering with symptoms of hay fever whether they occupied the air conditioning room for several hours or for longer periods of time. Striking relief was given to patients suffering from pollen asthma within twelve hours after they were admitted to the room."

The thing that sufferers will welcome is that this treatment can be obtained without taking long and expensive trips. They can be had right in your own home.

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MOTHER-IN-LAW

Here's one that comes all the way from the extreme tip of South Africa, to wit, Capetown. A lady was in the Police Court charged with assault and battery on her mother-in-law. Said the Magistrate to the lady:

"Why did you bite your husband's mother?"

And the lady replied: "Twas 'is fault, your worship. 'E was always a-throwin' of 'er in me teeth."

And as they don't say either in Cape Town, or in London --

So long until tomorrow.