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BREAK AWAY FROM COMBINE

The developments in the garbage contract scandal make it necessary for every member of the city council who desires to retain the confidence of the public to cut loose at once from the combine which has for so long been fighting every attempt to install a municipal garbage collection system.

It matters not that these first mentioned gentlemen may be free from any suggestion of corruption. Even so they cannot afford to allow themselves to remain under suspicion. If they believe in the Murphy ordinance they should vote to sustain it. That the thumbscrews have been and are being applied to them should not drive them from the path of duty.

There are more honest than dishonest men in the council and the honest men may control if they will. With the garbage scandal hanging over them it is more than ever necessary that they so conduct themselves and the affairs of the city as to avert suspicion. It is an ugly affair. As smoke suggests the presence of fire, so this incident of attempted bribery suggests corruption.

No one doubts Councilman Murphy's story. That he was bluntly offered the sum of \$5,000 for his influence and was told that other members of the council were all right would indicate that perhaps others had been seen in behalf of these Italian garbage collectors.

President Gill's frank admission that he sent this representative of the garbage men to Murphy because Murphy was chairman of the health and sanitation committee, and without any knowledge of the mission of the man beyond his desire to gain information, seems to be perfectly satisfactory.

It is likely that there will be further developments in the matter. If there are The Star trusts they will not be of a serious nature. It would be well if it could be shown that the affair is not broader than the attempt to influence Councilmen Murphy and Revelle.

Jonathan Bourne, Jr., of Oregon, senator and original "Roosevelt second elective term man," is to call on Candidate Taft. From his parlor suite on the ninth floor of the Auditorium Annex, Senator Bourne handed out to the newspapermen, up to the night before the nomination, prepared interviews claiming that Roosevelt would be named. It was an awful blow to him when Taft won out on the first ballot. That he has now become reconciled to the candidacy of the secretary of war is evident. If he becomes as enthusiastic in his support of Taft as he was in his support of Roosevelt, he will be much poorer financially next November, but he will have had a good time.

Melvin W. Sheppard, the fleetest runner in the world, isn't physically able to hold a place on the New York police force. Surely his running powers should be worth more than the normal heart of a 200-lb. policeman. If the New York police commissioners don't think so, send him out to Seattle. Chief Ward might use him.

This is the day of political predictions. Nearly every northern state has already been claimed a dozen times for both Bryan and Taft.

Men who follow the horses are not always to be found at the Meadows. You'll find a lot on delivery wagons.

Senator Ankeny has left town and Senator Piles and John H. McGraw have returned.

This cold weather makes us wish we'd never taken them off.

We won yesterday—again.

THE WAYS OF A WOMAN

BY ROSE M. QUINN.
 They sat on the rustic bench which adorned the well-kept grounds. The girl with the face repeatedly counted the stitches in the hem of her dainty kerchief, while the youth beside her looked troubled and stern. His two years from home had crowned his life with untold successes, and now he had returned with 23 years to his credit, a full-fledged man he thought, and a heart full of love for the little sweetheart of his boyhood. But his tales of love and fondness fell on listless ears. The girl seemed cold and constrained. In the good old days she had loved him better than any of the other

boys, and now—the meeting he had dreamed of so long—could this be it? "What could have changed her?" he inwardly queried. True, he had met others, had flirted perhaps with the prettiest, but to none had he given his boyish love save the dark-haired, dark-eyed sweetheart back home, whose image constantly flitted before him and often caused dreams of shady nooks, of flowery dells, where he and a girlish vision in pink were wont to while away the care-free hours of youth. Now the loved object of his constant thoughts and happy dreams sat beside him, and with tender voice he poured forth his love. But not once

had the pretty face flushed nor the dark eyes kindled. And while the youth pondered in his heart as to this sudden change, the girl was thinking of the egotism of the man. True, he had given his heart to none other, had always remembered her likes and sent her tokens, but never for one moment had he dreamed that perhaps some other save himself had come into her life. Not that she really cared for Geo. Morrison or Bert Hill, but then, he might have at least imagined there were others in the world.

Poor fellow! He sat gazing at the soft masses of her dark hair, the graceful turn of her head, the rose-kissed cheek, the soft, sweet mouth and—"Darling, I love you, I adore you. Tell me what has happened."

But she of the dark-eyed splendor heard him not. And then a peculiar light gleamed in his eyes as he compressed his lips, straightened his shoulders and said in an unusually loud voice: "Have those fellows, Hall and Morrison been asking you to marry them?" She did



"I ONLY WANTED YOU TO ASK ME THAT."

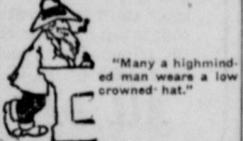
not answer. A smile gathered on her soft, pretty features, as she gazed at her lover. "Have they, Mary?" he repeated.

She raised her innocent young face to his, the dark eyes kindled, the cheeks flushed, and then the stern, jealous youth was saying: "What is it, darling? You do not—surely, you do not love either of them, do you?"

And oh! the ways and wondrous and capriciousness of womanhood—a merry laugh re-echoed through the garden and a very sweet, soft voice was saying: "Oh, Jack, are you still angry? I only wanted you to ask me that."

STAR DUST

A Word From Josh Wise.



At a Baby Show.
 "Oh, what an ugly little brat over there playing with a soggy doughnut."

"Why, madam, that is the blue ribbon winner."
 "What an angelic little dear it is to be sure!"

The Eyes Have It.

(From just one short story.)
 Her eyes were dewy.
 Her eyes were dancing.
 Her eyes were agleam.
 Her eyes glistened.
 Her eyes softened.
 Her eyes bore a look of eloquence.
 Her eyes spoke what she could not utter.
 Her eyes dumbly expressed her anguish.

And This Is It!
 I wish I knew a joke to write—
 I'd put it in this place;
 And if I'd spin it out a mite,
 'Twould fill about this space.

Willie's fond of music, yee;
 And indeed the solemn fact is
 Ma don't have to lay much stress
 On the need for constant practice.
 But it harms the pianos
 Playing on them with a hose.

When She Tells It.

Mrs. Homer—"Do you mean to say that Mrs. Gabbles doesn't tell the truth?"
 Mrs. Nextdoor—"Not necessarily. She tells it if it's something mean about the neighbors."

Do You Know the Answer?
 Why is it a small boy
 Whose ways are hard to trace
 Will swim all day—then cry because
 He is made to wash his face?

Chester.

Towns—"What on earth has come over Meekeley? He was almost impatient to me this morning."
 Browns—"Oh, I'll tell you. He answered the advertisement of a correspondence school of pugilism last night and arranged to take the course."

Standing and Sitting.
 "She sat for an oil portrait of herself, did she not?"
 "Yep, Jinx was the artist."
 "How'd it come out?"
 "She sat for it, but when she saw it she wouldn't stand for it."

Teacher—"Name six animals that live in the tropics, Jimmy."
 Jimmy—"Two alligators, two big snakes, a condor and another condor."

Circuit Judge Reynolds of St. Louis has decided that laundries may form a combine and fix a regular scale of prices.

Learn to Swim
 At the Luna Park Natatorium. Private instruction, if desired. ***

Trunks
 Suit Cases
 Traveling Bags
 MEEK TRUNK & BAG CO.,
 919 First Ave.

Friday and Saturday
 THIS WEEK WE WILL HAVE

50 More
 Pianos Finished

And ready for the big sale.
 Come early for first choice.

Cline Piano Co.
 Across Street from Moore Theatre.

MCCARTHY BUSINESS

TO BE WOUND UP

U. S. District Court Issues Orders to Receiver Baxter to Sell the Entire Stock Before September 10th—Sale Will Start Friday Morning With a

One-Fourth Reduction on Every Article in the Store

This is positively the end of the McCarthy store in Seattle. No more goods will be bought for the firm. No goods will be reserved. The entire assets of the company—merchandise, lease and fixtures—are to be sold at prices that will effect their readiest disposal. See the full text of the Court's order below. The Receiver has decided on a uniform reduction of prices throughout the store, and the Seattle public is invited to share in the benefits accruing from this sale.

A Discount of 25% or One-Fourth Off Is Offered on Everything Even Contract Goods Are Included in the Sale

And as this business is to be entirely closed out, there will be no restriction of any kind. The Receiver must have the cash in the shortest possible time. Every day's business means additional expense. You can come right in and take your pick of all the merchandise on our two large floors—Silks and Satins, Velvets and Linings, Dress Goods and Domestic, Wash Goods and Linens, Hosiery and Underwear, Garments and Millinery, Corsets and Undermuslins, Gloves and Umbrellas, Notions and Small Wares, Laces and Embroideries, Veilings and Trimmings, Ribbons and Neckwear, Shawls and Infants' Apparel, Leather Goods and Handkerchiefs, Bedding and Draperies, Art Goods and Yarns, China and Cut Glass, Books and Stationery, Pictures and Pyrography, Trunks and Bags, Drug Sundries and Fancy Goods, Toys and Dolls—all at one-fourth less than the regular low prices.

AMONG THESE WE NOTE—
 Royal Worcester Corsets
 Corticelli Spool Silk
 B. & A. Embroidery Silks
 Napoleon Toilet Articles
 Bon Ton Corsets
 Spool Cottons
 Pinaud's and Hudnut's Perfumes
 Standard Patterns

Please remember that this is not a case of unloading an old stock on the public with an idea of starting over again with a clean slate. The store is ordered out of business by one of the highest authorities in the land. Of the \$180,000 worth of goods now on hand, \$45,000 is going straight into the pockets of the people. The sale will start at 8:30 tomorrow morning. Extra salespeople are engaged for all departments. Every effort will be made to serve you promptly and well.

Sale Conditions

All Sales Are Positively For Cash. No C. O. D. No Approvals. No Exchanges, No Refunds of Any Kind. No Alterations on Garments. Deliveries Are Made at the Receiver's Convenience.

Here Is the Court's Order

The following is the complete text of the Court's order:
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON.
 The H. B. Claflin Company, a Corporation, Complainant, vs. McCarthy Dry Goods Company, a Corporation, Defendant. No. 1560.—Order Directing Receiver to Wind Up Business.
 It appearing to the Court from the inventory of the receiver herein, taken June 30, 1908, that the business of the McCarthy Dry Goods Company cannot be continued by the receiver under existing conditions with any reasonable hope of benefit to stockholders and creditors, and that said business ought to be wound up, the Court being fully advised;
 Ordered,
 That Sutcliffe Baxter, as receiver herein, be, and he is hereby, directed forthwith to sell at retail, at such prices as will effect the winding up of the business of said defendant, the entire stock of merchandise, fixtures, lease and other assets of the McCarthy Dry Goods Company, the said stock of merchandise amounting to \$108,700.54 at cost; and that said assets be converted into cash at the earliest practicable date, and not later than September 10, 1908.
 Done in open court this 13th day of July, 1908.
 C. H. HANFORD, Judge.

Sale Conveniences

Extra Salespeople Have Been Engaged for the Sale. Extra Cashiers and Wrapping Desks Installed. Extra Floormen Will Be on Duty. Every Effort Will Be Made to Serve You Promptly and Efficiently.

THE QUAKER DRUG CO.
 WHOLESALE DRUG RETAIL
 DOWN-TOWN STORE 1013-1015 FIRST AVENUE
 UP-TOWN STORE PIKE ST. and WESTLAKE AVE.
 USE YOUR PHONE 1907 2915 — MAIN 1240
 WE DELIVER FREE TO ALL SEATTLE
 BEST OFFICE SUB-STATION
 SPECIAL FEATURES FOR ALL WEEK—Big Razor Sale Still On
 We have decided to continue our big Slaughter Sale of well-known and famous brands of razors for a few days longer. Here's the chance of a lifetime to get a first-class razor cheap. Included in the lot are "X.L.T.," Wade & Butcher, Ern, Brand, Rogers, "X.L.N.T.," etc., etc. Your choice 97c
 Every Razor sold will be honed and set ready for use by our expert, free of charge. The regular price of these razors is from \$2.50 to \$3.00 each. Our price only 97c
 Any Razor sold that does not give satisfaction may be exchanged.
 We are also selling the famous BRANDT-HONIG RAZOR STROPS; value \$2.00 each; during this sale, or while they last, at, each 97c
 You can't afford to miss this sale.
The Quaker Drug Company
 406 PIKE ST. Two Stores. 1013 FIRST AV.

J. W. BULLOCK
 Dealer in
Coal and Wood
 Bunkers—Rear James St. Power House, 504 Ave. and Dearborn St., 200 Ave. N. and Boston St., 711 West Ave., at Bunkers.
 Phones—Rear 87, 1st 102, Ind. 375, Queen Anne 1885, Ind. 738; Main 2875, Ind. 289.
Penton Coal

SUTCLIFFE BAXTER, Receiver For the McCarthy Dry Goods Company