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ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS

## WHAT THINK YOU OF CORSETS?

Billie Burke, on page 5, takes issue with those who malign this article of apparel. The modern corset, says Billie, is designed to form a woman as she used to be in the good old days.

## FIRST OHIO FLOOD PICTURES

All along the Ohio river, from Cincinnati to Evansville, Ind., thousands of homeless people are today suffering from the cold. Photographs, reproduced on page 5, show the situation graphically.

## VOTERS PASS ON 7 ISSUES

### Council Adds Renton Agreement to Election List.

There will be submitted to the voters on March 4 the following referendum vote on the Grif-... The question of a bond issue for the extension of the Pike place public market. Eleven charter amendments, including the "model franchise" for street railways. The question of a bond issue of \$125,000 for an auxiliary steam plant for the city light plant on Lake Union. The bond issue of \$300,000 for extensions of water plant. The bond issue of \$1,500,000 for the seven bridges over the Lake Washington canal.

## 'BORN AGAIN,' ONLY AMERICAN PIRATE, ASKS HIS LIBERTY



JOSEPH KIRWIN. LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Jan. 21.—The only pirate in prison in America today wants congress to pass a law letting him out. Joseph Kirwin, convicted under an old law of piracy on the high seas, his crime being the stealing of \$200 worth of jewelry from a woman in her stateroom on a Lake Erie steamer, eight years ago, advances a startling reason for a parole. "I am literally born again, mentally and morally, as well as physically. My mind has changed, my ideas of right and wrong have changed with my body. By a system of reading and thinking I have taken on a new moral nature. You are now punishing the body and mind I had today for what the body and mind I had eight years ago did."

## CANADA SOON TO BE FREE?

### Dominion Politician Predicts Break With England.

By United Press Leased Wire. BOSTON, Jan. 21.—Henri Bourassa, one of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's chief lieutenants, prophesied here today that absolute freedom for Canada will be the result of the present relations between the Dominion and England, which, he said, were similar to those existing between Great Britain and the United States in 1775. "The greatest question in Canada today," said Bourassa, "is that of contributions to the English navy. Canada is a transcontinental country, and so long as we are not represented in the affairs of the empire, we should be under no obligation to that empire. "That is the same trouble as that of your original 13 colonies—taxation without representation. Canadian anti-imperialists and many other classes have turned against Premier Borden because of the dissatisfaction he has created by advocating a \$25,000,000 appropriation for British warships. "With no representation abroad, we should no more contribute than did the 13 colonies, which now are at the heart of the United States."

## THAT "SILENCE TREATMENT" IS A GRAND DISCOVERY!



## LAWS ASKED TO AID IN WAR ON FOOD COMBINE

### Summer Senator Introduces Bills Opening Western Av. Books to Producer and Hitting Aliens.

OLYMPIA, Jan. 21.—Two bills were introduced in the senate today by Sen. Cotter of Summer, Pierce county, to aid farmers who market their produce in Seattle in their fight against the commission combine, known as the "Big Six" on Western av. One of his bills amends the Paulhamus bill, introduced at the session two years ago, by removing the question relating to bonds. In other respects it is similar to the Paulhamus measure, requiring that commission men keep their books open for producers, and make correct accounts of all shipments. Cotter's other bill prohibits leasing lands outside cities and towns to aliens, and provides a penalty of a \$1,000 fine or a year's imprisonment, or both. It is aimed at Japanese growers, who have under lease acres upon acres of land around Seattle.

## SENATE KILLS JUNKET PLAN

OLYMPIA, Jan. 21.—The members of the house of representatives and the lieutenant governor, and such clerks and stenographers as may be necessary, won't go upon that nice little \$5,500 junket they arranged for themselves Monday afternoon. The senate today, by a practically unanimous vote, upset all the plans. The house had voted, 54 to 41, for a trip of inspection of the state institutions to last a week. A special train had been arranged for, to leave Olympia Friday. When the senate committee of the whole reported this morning against the proposed junket, Lieut. Gov. Hart, presiding, called upon President pro tem Allen to take the chair. Allen wanted to sidestep the duty, too, so he "passed the buck" to Sen. Bethel. Bethel called Sen. Hutchinson to the chair, but Hutchinson wouldn't come, and he remained up to Bethel. Sen. Jensen and Sen. Jackson spoke in defense of the junket, but were laughed down by the others. There were but a few scattering votes in favor of supporting the action of the house.

## DIFFER ON NEW LAND RIGHTS

OLYMPIA, Jan. 21.—Approximately \$3,000,000 worth of property is involved in a bill introduced by Rep. Houser of King county, turning over to the port commission newly uncovered lands in the government canal excavation in Lake Washington. The Wray bill, introduced last week, gives such shore lands to abutting property owners. The Northern Pacific Coast company, N. P. Latimer, banker, and the Yeller estate are the chief owners. The Houser bill gives the owners the first right of purchase at a fair value, appraised by the port commission. Members of the Seattle commission favor the Houser plan. The Chamber of Commerce is lined up on the side of the Wray plan. The harbor committee of the house is meeting today to consider the various port measures.

## WANTS DIVORCE; BUYS WIFE OFF FOR \$2,000,000

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 21.—"Give me a million and you may have a divorce. I won't even contest the suit," Mrs. Josiah V. Thompson, wife of a multi-millionaire coal and coke operator here, told her husband. "It would be worth more than that," Thompson answered. "I'll give you two million." Mrs. Thompson today has a certified check for \$2,000,000 and Thompson has his divorce decree.

## ASKS INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Miss Reah Whitehead, deputy prosecuting attorney of King county, spoke Monday night before the Seattle Business Girls' club, at the Y. W. C. A., of the need for establishment of an industrial school for girls. This school, for the sake of economy, could be placed under the same control as the state reformatory for women.

## DENY STRIKERS RIGHT TO PICKET

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—The striking garment workers are disheartened today as the result of Supreme Justice Greenbaum's injunction preventing picketing about factories and shops. Strike leaders admit settlement of the strike is not in sight.

## SEEK YOUTHS WHO FIGHT TO CAPTURE GIRL

BOSTON, Jan. 21.—Because he introduced "high kickers" in the shape of a bevy of pretty girls clad in pajamas, into his room in a Harvard dormitory, David W. Lewis, jr., was dismissed today from the university. Patrolmen and detectives are today looking for four young men who Monday night stormed the May hotel, 2157 Westlake av., defied the landlady, and attempted to remove 15-year-old Elsie Sedell, when the girl, after being insulted, asked Mrs. Jones to protect her. The girl was stopped by the four young men at Pine and Virginia sts., as she was on her way home from work. Their threats of what they would do if she would not go to a hotel with them made her obey. The five went to the May hotel, three of them staying outside while the fourth went upstairs with the girl. At the head of the stairs was Mrs. Jones, whom the girl asked to step into a room, where she told her story. When she ordered him to go, the man joined his fellows and all four bombarded the house with stones, fleeing just before the police arrived.

## OFFICIALS OF UNION, IN PEN, RE-ELECTED

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—Olaf A. Tveitmo and E. A. Clancy, prisoners at Port Leavenworth federal penitentiary, following their conviction on charges of conspiracy to illegally to transport dynamite, are returned to office today by the State Building Trades council, the annual convention of that body having re-elected Tveitmo its general secretary and Clancy a member of the executive board. Telegrams were sent to the men telling them of the union's vote of confidence.

## VOTER WON'T GET A CHANCE AT SINGLE TAX

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—Formal rejection of the bonds offered for the release of E. A. Clancy of San Francisco, one of the 33 union men sentenced to the federal prison at Port Leavenworth for dynamite conspiracy, was entered here today by Judge Baker in the U. S. circuit court of appeals. This means that Clancy's release will be delayed at least two weeks. The court ruled that the bonds were not acceptable because the liability of the bondsmen was limited by stipulation.

## HERO SAVES LIVES OF TEN IN FIRE

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—Patrolman Russell Smith is relieved from duty today, while he recovers from burns received when he carried 10 persons to safety during a lodging house fire, and was himself rescued by Patrolman John McCaleb after he had been overcome by smoke.

## RAISE MILLIONS TO DEVELOP ISLANDS

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—With \$2,000,000 already subscribed for investigation purposes, a company of Eastern capitalists is to develop the natural resources of the Philippines, according to Edw. H. Fallows of New York, president of the company, who is here today.

## FIFTY OPPOSE BILL FOR STERILIZATION

SALEM, Or., Jan. 21.—A communication of protest signed by 50 prominent citizens of Portland against sterilization legislation, read in the senate today. The communication declared that the bill is a "usurpation by the state of inalienable rights, and will open the field for abominable crimes, as an outrage on unfortunate inmates of institutions, and tends to moral degeneration."

## UTES DEFY UNCLE SAM; BUILD FORTS

CORTEZ, Colo., Jan. 21.—Revolting into the mountainous section of their reservation, the Ute Indians today are building fortifications to resist attempts by government agents to compel the surrender of Big Rabbit, a Ute brave, accused of shooting a Mexican. White residents here fear an uprising. Indian Agent Spear was ordered today from Washington not to use force to compel Big Rabbit's surrender until all other means failed. W. R. FORSTER has been appointed assistant general superintendent in Seattle of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway.

## MEXICANS FLEEING HOMES AS VOLCANO VOMITS LAVA

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 21.—volcano Colima is vomiting enormous quantities of lava and poisonous gases, and has sent the inhabitants of several villages fleeing in terror, according to advices received here today. So far as known here, there have been no fatalities, but hundreds of cattle and other live stock are dead. The eruption started at noon Monday and was followed by terrific subterranean rumblings. Railroad tracks in the vicinity are covered with several feet of lava. Traffic is at a standstill. The city of Guadalajara, 100 miles from the volcano, reports ashes from the eruption are falling there. It is feared several towns will be destroyed.

## ONLY TWO WOULD BUY "FIVE-POUND NOTE" FOR A PENNY

LONDON, Jan. 21.—"Five-pound notes, a penny each." For 20 minutes a famous comedian, unshaven and unkempt, stood outside the Grand hotel here and offered for sale genuine five-pound notes for a penny and disposed of two only. "Every one thought I was a faker," said the actor today, "gave me knowing looks and passed on. A friend insisted one could sell anything in London, and this started a controversy. Finally I bet him I could not sell six five-pound notes at a penny each, in 20 minutes. I won in a walk."

## POLICE REPORTER INTERVIEWS THE DIVINE AND FRENCHY SARAH, AND—VOILA! FINDS PLACE ALL CLUTTERED UP WITH ARTISTIC TEMPERAMENT

BY THE POLICE REPORTER. I was loafing around room 13 at police headquarters Monday afternoon (that's where the police reporters hang out) dragging at a "pill" and darn glad the paper had gone to press, when the City Editor called up. "Got a date with Sarah Bernhardt for you at 4," he said. "Boat's sick, you know, and I want a good, intimate, chatty interview with her." Boat's our highbrow man, you know. "For the love of Mike," I protested, "I can't interview her. I wouldn't know what to do. And say, I've got on a dirty collar and my old shoes. I can't go up there." "Go up and get that story." And the boss hung up. I went into a barbershop, got a shave, and a haircut, and a shampoo. Then I blew four bits for a manicure, and treated myself to a shine. I found "Bill" Lehman, press agent for the Grubhouse, and told him what I wanted. Bill laughed. I didn't. I couldn't. With shaking knees and dry lips I followed him back of the scenes. There I found a bunch of the newspaper fellows, all on the same ground. With Lehman leading, five newspaper men behind, and two press agents behind them, we silently and reverently approached the dressing room that held the divine Sarah Bernhardt. FORBIDDING CHAP, THIS BODYGUARD OF SARAH'S. Bill cleared his throat, straightened his tie, and gently knocked at the door. The door opened, and I jumped. A tall, savage-looking man, dressed in medieval costume, scowled at us. He's six feet one. He looked seven. Bill explained. There were words. We entered, on tiptoe. There on a chair was Sarah, the great Sarah, Sarah our grandmothers had went over and our grandfathers had raved about; the Sarah kings and queens had sought, had courted. My heart was hammering at my ribs. They say she's 69. Maybe she is. I couldn't tell. All the time I kept saying to myself, "Sarah Bernhardt, Sarah Bernhardt; get a personal, intimate interview with her." She had on a gorgeous gown. Her hair is beautiful. She had expensive rings and a winning smile. She looks like her pictures. That's all I remember. I've got to slip it to Sarah, though. She was mighty nice to us fellows. The fierce-looking guy told us Madame did not speak English. One of the bunch, with more nerve than I, asked her through the savage looker what she thought of the future of the moving picture. He translated. With a laugh and a little shriek, Sarah threw up her hands, shrugged her shoulders, and labored something. We leaned forward to hear it. The tall boy said: "Madame, she says nevaire. Ze moving picture cannot take ze place of ze theatre, no more than ze photograph can take ze place of ze painted picture." Then Madame warmed up to the subject. She spouted and gurgled. We gasped, blinked, and tried to remember that we were in the presence of the greatest actress in the world. MADAME HAS SUCH A FIERCE TEMPERAMENT. The savage medieval gentleman interpreted as fast as Madame spoke. He was some interpreter. But we gathered that Madame did not think much of the future of the moving picture; that she thought it had reached its highest development. All this time an artist was sketching her. Sarah suddenly stopped her chatter and pointed to the artist. "Madame, she want to see ze picture," said the scary-looking fellow. The picture was handed over. Madame gave one shriek. "Oh, oh! Impossible!" she cried. "Oh, la-la," and on and on she went. She has an artistic temperament, they say. I'm convinced that she has. She displayed it. With strange, weird cries and an incessant patter of "parlez vous," she tore that sketch into tiny fragments and hurled them on the floor. I'll admit I was scared. I looked hopefully at the door, Bill Lehman, grinning, blocked it. I set my teeth and prayed she would not grow too violent. It was all over in a few minutes. Madame quieted down and smiled. She sure has got some smile. It would melt an iceberg. "Madame, she deed not like ze picture," said the tall fellow. "We had all about come to the same conclusion." Then we were informed that Madame wished to be alone. With deep bows we backed out, and I trailed back to the friendly shelter of the police station, and the peace and comforting companionship of the cops, and the jail birds, and the stick-up men. Seattle printers are talking of opening a restaurant. You said it—a pi foundry.



## GOLD ORE FOUND ON NEVADA HILL

RENO, Nev., Jan. 21.—High grade gold ore in large quantities on the top of a 7,500-foot mountain near Lovelock, Nev., discovered by Jos. P. Nenzel, is today causing a rush of hundreds of prospectors to the spot.

## CUBA TURNS DOWN TREATY WITH U. S.

HAVANA, Jan. 21.—Cuba has today refused to ratify the treaty with the United States providing for the enlargement of the Guantanamo naval station.

## Burke Makes Trunks Fly

At the sale of the Stoelting stock at 1420 Second Ave., full particulars of which will be found in the large display ad on page 3 in today's Star. And he says that he is not only making the trunks fly, but also every other article of merchandise in the store must be sold at the earliest possible moment. Frugal buyers will not fail to look up this ad and take advantage of the money-saving opportunities which it presents. Star Want Ads do the business—they will perform a myriad of useful duties for you. They will get good tenants for those who have rooms to rent; they will supply efficient help; they will secure good positions for those out of work; they will sell real estate; they find the man who has the snap in real estate. Just phone Main 9400 or Elliott 44 for full particulars. If more convenient, drop in personally at the downtown office of The Star, at 229 Union St., with the Souvenir and Curio Shop. THE STAR GUARANTEES IN EXCESS OF 40,000 PAID CIRCULATION DAILY