

The members of the state public service commission, Mr. M. M. Godman, Mr. Arthur E. Lewis and Mr. Frank R. Spinning, are in Seattle today on public business. And inasmuch as they're right here among us, The Star wishes to drive home the point upon which it has been hammering in this six-for-a-quarter car ticket business. It ISN'T a question of profit or loss to the company, but rather a question of the public being CHEATED OUT OF THE RIGHTS TO WHICH THE COMPANY'S FRANCHISE ENTITLES THEM. Please keep that in mind, Messrs. Godman, Lewis and Spinning. Think it over between now and September 29, the date when you'll come back to investigate this outrage upon Seattle's 300,000 people.

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HITTING THE TRAIL TO THE SHUSHANNA WITH THE SEATTLE STAR MAN AND HIS CAMERA



These photographs were taken by Mr. E. O. Sawyer, The Star's city editor, at McCarthy, the terminus of the railroad from Cordova, and clear along the trail to the Shushanna gold diggings. The first picture at the left shows the stamperers at the railroad station and post office in McCarthy, talking over the latest reports from the scene of the strike. In the second picture is a Seattle man, W. J. Wood, of 612 McGraw st., cooking his breakfast at the end of the first day's "mush" toward the diggings. "Wood says," writes Sawyer, "give his regards to the folks at home and tell 'em he's happy." In the third picture is the residence of Anna Sternis, at Blackburn, a mile from McCarthy. Two hundred yards away the Kennicott river boils out from under a mass of gravel and ice, full grown and 100 feet wide right at the start. Bill Scribner and Godfrey Johnson, formerly of Seattle, who were waiting for their outfits before hitting the trail. They have made friends with some of the dogs owned by J. E. Barrett, at McCarthy, where Sawyer stopped for a night. These dogs are a heavy expense through the summer, but will be worth their weight in food when the snow flies and the winter freighting of supplies to the new camp begins.

COMMITTEE URGES CITY ELECTION ON CHARTER REVISION

The judiciary committee of the council today approved Councilman Griffith's resolution, submitting to the voters next March the proposition of electing 15 freeholders to revise the city charter. Griffith's intent is to bring about, through the new charter, the commission form of government. However, the charter revisionists will not be pinned down to any particular idea, but will have free sway to reject or approve any proposition. Before the provisions of the new charter as drawn by the 15 freeholders may go into effect, they must receive a favorable vote of the people. The committee report will come up before the council next Tuesday.

JUDGE FRATER SCORED FOR CRITICISM OF CITY

That Judge Frater, in offering a lot of criticism against the city's policy with reference to the Seattle, Renton & Southern road, showed himself "generously partisan," was the charge made by Councilman Wardall in the council chambers today. Scott Calhoun, receiver for the road, again urged the city to accept the road for \$1,400,000, declaring that Engineer Gray of the public service commission had appraised it for \$400,000 more than that figure. A delegation headed by Senator Nichols, from the Rainier valley, urged immediate action. Councilman Erickson sharply rebuked one member of the lobby, who declared the city wasn't acting fast enough. "We have already offered \$300,000 more than the road is worth," he said. "The city has been exceedingly patient with the Seattle, Renton & Southern."

GUARDING THAW FOR ALKI POINT

Upon the appearance of Mrs. Geo. A. Smith, representing the Federation of West Seattle Improvement clubs, before the budget committee of the council Wednesday, the committee agreed to provide a fire station and adequate equipment near Alki point if Mrs. Smith would procure a donation of space for the station, as she said she could. According to Mrs. Smith, Jacob Tieg has offered a 100-foot lot for the purpose.

SHERMAN RIGHT

LONDON, Aug. 28.—According to the latest estimates, the two Balkan campaigns cost the belligerents \$500,000,000. Turkey's bill alone is \$180,000,000. Greece spent \$82,000,000, including \$8,000,000 on the war with Bulgaria. Serbia's bill was about \$70,000,000 and Bulgaria's \$100,000,000, while Rumania spent \$40,000,000 preparing for war and \$20,000,000 on mobilization and the campaign.

VOTE DOWN HIGHER LIGHT RATES TO THE CONSUMER

Holding it would jeopardize the rates now enjoyed by the small consumers if the street lighting rates were reduced, the budget committee of the council, by a majority vote, last night turned down the Chamber of Commerce request to cut street lighting from 4 1/2 cents to 4 cents per kilowatt hour. Those who voted for the reduction were Councilmen Haas, Wardall and Brunklevith. The council voted \$225,000 for street lighting, \$11,250 more than the present year. The increase is caused by contemplated extension of the service. The motion that the rate remain at 4 1/2 cents was made by President Hesketh, and was strongly supported by Councilman Erickson.

HUERTA LOOKS FOR WAY OUT WRITES 'NOTHER NOTE; DICKERING IS BEGUN AGAIN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Cable advices today from John Lind, President Wilson's special peace emissary to Mexico, indicate there still is a strong probability of Provisional President Huerta accepting President Wilson's peace suggestions. Lind's latest note, however, did not confirm reports that Huerta had accepted the peace plan in full, but the fact that Lind announced that he would continue his stay in Mexico indefinitely is considered encouraging by Washington officials. Huerta's newest note virtually reopens negotiations on Huerta's counter proposals. Huerta's note intimates that the Mexican constitution prohibits a president from succeeding himself, or otherwise he would not have asked that Huerta pledge himself not to be a candidate for re-election. President Wilson insists he is familiar with the Mexican constitution also, with the fact that it is customary for Mexican presidents to resign slightly ahead of election day, for the purpose of running. The president, however, thinks Huerta is seeking a roundabout way of giving his pledge not to run again without losing prestige.

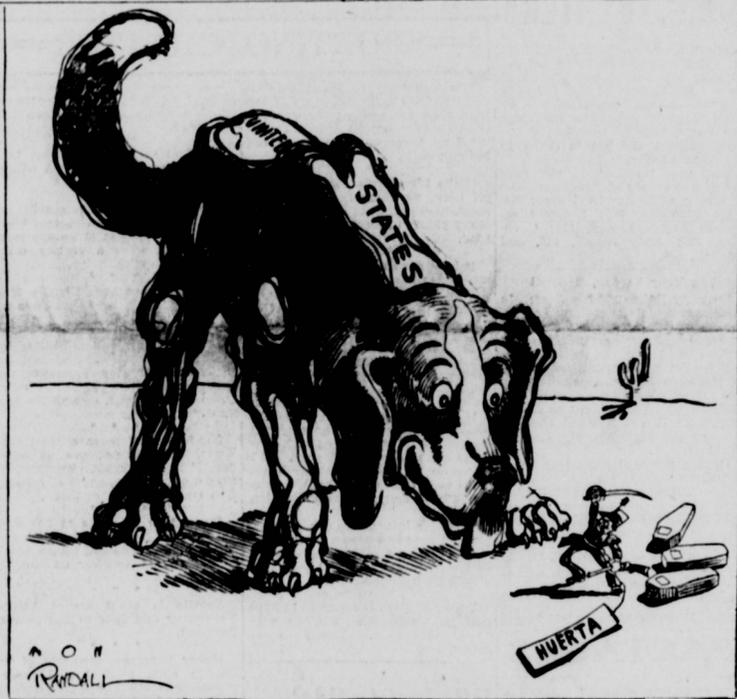
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 28.—A special train carrying 173 recruits from Jefferson and Columbus barracks, left here today for Texas City, to join the border patrol.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Aug. 28.—Acting on order from the war department, one troop of the Third cavalry and a battery of the Third field artillery were rushed from Ft. Sam Houston at midnight to the Mexican border. More than 1,000 other soldiers at Ft. Sam Houston are awaiting orders.

MASHER MASHED

Heavy iron carpet beaters are as rule used to beat carpet with. This incident is an exception to the rule. Mrs. Nellie Baker, a little Englishwoman, lives at 1110 Seventh av. with her husband and two children. She also has a neighbor who she declares has insulted her several times. Yesterday, she says, he started a story that she had taken him into a cellar and kissed him. Last evening Mrs. Baker met the man. She accused him of slandering her. "Oh, never mind that, Mrs. Baker," she says he replied, "that is all right." Whereupon Mrs. Baker got busy with her carpet beater, which, as we mentioned, is made of heavy iron. The man has since threatened to sue Mrs. Baker on the grounds of assault and battery. "I should worry," said Mrs. Baker to The Star today.

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"We can afford to exercise the restraint of a great nation, realizing our strength, but scoring to use it."—President Wilson in his Mexican message to congress.

IMPERATOR AFIRE WILL CALL GIRLS 5 DIE IN WRECK

HOBOKEN, N. J., Aug. 28.—Starting at 4 a. m., and razing for five hours, a fire, which started in the provision room, damaged the liner Emperor, the largest steamship afloat, to the extent of \$150,000 today. Second Officer Go-bracht was suffocated while trying to extinguish the flames. The fire caused a panic among the 1,143 passengers in the steerage, but they were landed without injury.

REAL PEACEFUL

ROME, Aug. 28.—Relations between Italy and its former enemy, Turkey, reached an interesting phase today, when Turkey made a first payment for the purchase of three discarded Italian battleships, which were used against the Ottomans in the recent Turkish Italian war. They are the Umberto, the St. Siella and the Sardegna. The vessels became useless to Italy while sinking Turkish vessels or bombarding Turkish forts.

SCRIBE GETS JOB

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 28.—John S. Chambers, managing editor of the Sacramento Bee, was appointed today state controller by Gov. Hiram W. Johnson, to succeed A. B. Nye, deceased. Chambers will assume office at once.

KETCHIKAN, Alaska.—Denver S. Wilson, an insane patient being brought here for treatment, jumped overboard from the Sea Lion and was drowned.

HUMORISTS CONVENE TO SAVE THE COUNTRY

By Douglas Malloch
Reporting the Convention of American Press Humorists for the United Press
PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 28.—Things are in a bad way. Therefore the humorists of the country are congaugled here to dispose of the big questions. With Thaw in Canada and Frost in Mexico, the times require strong men. The administration has blundered. If Lind had been sent to Canada and Thaw to Mexico, everybody would be satisfied. The solution of the current problem is woman's suffrage. If the women are given the vote, they will carry the money, giving us elastic currency.

POINDEXTER GIVES LIE TO ENEMIES IN SENATE SPEECH

By Gilson Gardner
(Correspondent of The Star.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 28.—In a dramatic speech in the senate, Senator Poindexter of Washington today branded as false and libelous the story printed by a morning paper in Seattle and sent broadcast throughout the country, which charged him with placing 11 members of the Poindexter family on the government payroll. In spite of the fact that the story had been exploded when the senator denied even the faintest acquaintance with most of those mentioned by the reactionary organ, it persisted in the charge of nepotism against Poindexter. In his speech, the senator exposed the purposes of his enemies, and presented facts which constitute a complete refutation of the charges. After having the articles in question read from the desk, Senator Poindexter said: "CALLS NEWSPAPER ATTACK CRIMINAL LIBEL. "The article the clerk has read is a criminal libel. Its malice is demonstrated by its repetition in the same paper, and by enlargements upon it in the most offensive form of which petty vindictiveness is capable. "It is the same class of weapons in common use by the interests by which this paper is controlled, and of which it is a common partner. It is in the same class as murder by the robber syndicate of Alaska; kidnaping and assassination with dynamite and pistol by the franchise grabbers of San Francisco, and the bribery of judges and packing of juries in the state of Washington by the same railroad company which supplied the money for the purchase of this paper from its former owners. "The publication states that I have secured government positions for 11 relatives, whose names are given. The truth is that I do not know Eugene Poindexter, Robert H. Poindexter, Maj. Poindexter, Mrs. Anna L. Poindexter, or the Poindexters who are mentioned, and have never had any correspondence with them, or with any one in their behalf, and never heard of them until my attention was called to the publication referred to. OH, YES! HERE'S ONE WHO HELPED TAKE THE CENSUS "I do not know whether they are holding government positions or not. If they are holding such positions, I had nothing whatever to do with the same. "Of the others named, Ernest Poindexter, Fielding L. Poindexter and Samuel J. Graham, Ernest Poindexter does not hold any government position, and so far as I am aware, never has held any except that, in 1900, he assisted in taking the federal census at Walla Walla, Wash., which employment lasted for a few weeks. "The senator then detailed the service of Fielding L. Poindexter, a first lieutenant in the army, who served in the Oregon volunteers in the war in the Philippines, and was promoted for bravery under fire. "He was commissioned," said the senator, "many years before I was a member of congress. "Samuel J. Graham is a distant cousin of mine," said the senator, "but does not owe his appointment to me in any sense whatever." "The senator told about the appointment of Gale Poindexter, his son, to Annapolis naval academy by Representative La Follette of Washington. "PLEADS GUILTY TO CRIME OF BUYING A HOUSE "He exposed the falsity of the story about selling lands in Virginia to the government. "In the charges of my alleged misconduct," continued the senator, "I am charged also with the crime of buying a house. It is true that I have bought a small house at a moderate price. Not a dollar of the money from the sale of the Anderson land, in Virginia, was invested in this house. For the very good reason that my interest in it was long before assigned to persons in the state of Washington. "If the editor had broadened the scope of his investigation, he would have found that in my disreputable career this is not the only offense of this kind I have committed, but that at other times and places I have been guilty of buying houses and paying on those in the state of Washington my share of the exorbitant taxes which the political ring, of which this newspaper is the principal exponent, has imposed on the people of my state. "This ring, and the interests they represent, seem to want to make this a war of extermination. I often wonder if they imagine that in such a war they will be the ones to survive. Their present course illustrates that perfectly familiar, but yet quaintly curious wise saying, 'Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad.'

MRS HOAG HURT

Mrs. E. A. Hoag, 826 19th av. S., lies in the Providence hospital, suffering internal injuries, from which she may not recover. Mrs. Hoag was a passenger in an auto, which was trying to climb the hill at 22nd av. N., near Crescent st. After arriving nearly at the top, the driver lost control of the car and it slipped back down the hill, colliding with a curb and turned completely over.

HOPPERS EAT FAMILY WASH. POMEROY, Wash., Aug. 28.—

Hordes of grasshoppers swarming onto the farm of Charles Fairbanks, ten miles west of Pomeroy, chewed to shreds a washing hung to dry in the sun. The pests, which are becoming numerous in the western and southern parts of Oregon and Washington products for 20 years.

PENNANTS COUPON NO. 53

Any four coupons clipped from The Star, consecutively numbered, when presented at The Star office with 15 cents, will entitle you to a 65-cent Pennant. Minnesota Pennants now out. Pennants will be sent by mail if 5 cents additional for each Pennant is enclosed. Bring or mail to The Seattle Star, 1307 Seventh Avenue, near Union Street.