

# YOU CAN REGISTER UP TO MIDNIGHT! ONLY THREE MORE DAYS!

Councilman Marble's resolution to remove the registration books to the residence precincts did not pass Monday because Corporation Counsel Bradford, changing his previous opinion, held there is some doubt as to the legality of such a move.

The books, therefore, remain in the Prefontaine building.  
Monday 3,006 registered, bringing the total to 60,773. There are still 30,000 eligible to register who have not done so. Three days more re-

main—AND THEN THE "SLACKERS" WILL HAVE NO MORE OPPORTUNITY TO QUALIFY FOR THE COMING PRIMARY ELECTION ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, OR THE GENERAL ELECTION ON MARCH 7.

The books will remain open until midnight Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Your vote is the strongest weapon in your possession toward securing good government. DON'T BE A "SLACKER." REGISTER!

## A Fellow Has to Be Nutty

Ted Cook learns this from a leader of Law's hall "dorm" at the university. Can't wrestle with calculus all the time, y'know. Read how the freshman gets "medical treatment" (?). It's on page 8.

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# SPY DIES IN TACOMA FIRE

## HUMPHREY'S "DUCKPOND" LETTERS GIVEN OUT

### MYSTERY IN 2ND BLAST AT DUPONT PLANT

TACOMA, Feb. 8.—Less than eight hours after the company's nitroglycerine mixing house blew up, killing three men, one of the packing houses of the DuPont Powder plant near here was destroyed by a fire of mysterious origin and an explosion last night.

Debris of the second blast of the company and became known today by accident.

E. J. Cox, superintendent of the DuPont Powder Co., declared today he is unable to account for the destruction of the packing house, and intimated that outside agents may have started the fire.

In this connection, it became known today that Gustav Wolff, one of the men killed in yesterday's explosion, was formerly in the German army.

He had been employed at the plant since last April. It is believed he was in the employ of persons who wanted the plant destroyed.

Superintendent Cox said last night's fire may have been set by foreign agents, altho he had no evidence to support his theory.

He said the powder in the house exploded following discovery of the fire, completely wrecking the building.

The fire department kept the flames from spreading to adjoining buildings.

### This Seattle Woman Should Worry About Snow in Northwest



MRS. DAVID WHITCOMB.

Mrs. David Whitcomb, 633 14th ave. N., should worry about this cold weather, and snow, and everything.

She is spending these weeks in the surf at Palm Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Whitcomb is a Seattle society woman, the wife of the president of the Arcade Building & Realty Co.

This picture of her in a bathing suit at Palm Beach reached Seattle Tuesday.

### IF THIS BOY ACTOR ISN'T JIMMIE GLASS, WHO IS HE? MYSTERY VEILS CASE OF 'CHARLIE ROSS OF MOVIES'



At the right, head to Marie Cahill, is the mysterious youngster whose identity has been lost. Below is a character picture of Jimmie Glass, the "Charlie Ross of the Movies." Do you see the resemblance?

### CLUE FOUND IN MARIE CAHILL PLAY

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—There's a new mystery in the strange disappearance case of Jimmie Glass—the Charlie Ross of the movies.

A boy who looks like Jimmie Glass appears on the film in the photoplay "Judy Forgot," in which Marie Cahill starred.

And this boy's identity has been lost as completely as if he never had existed! Nobody can say that he ISN'T Jimmie Glass, because nobody knows who he IS!

In "Judy Forgot," a little boy appears in just a few flashes in a few scenes.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Glass, Jimmie Glass's parents, wrote to them, saying the boy looked like Jimmie.

Mrs. Glass and Jimmie's two aunts saw the film, and agreed there was a certain definite resemblance.

"Judy Forgot" was produced in New York.

The movie picture director who made the film, T. Hayes Hunter, had need of three little children in several of the studio scenes.

The two children of Mrs. Irene Lee, well known to movie fans, filled two of the roles.

According to Hunter, a third child, a little boy, was brought in by a strange woman, to play the minor part for the day.

HE is the little boy you see in the picture.

Director Hunter declares he has not the slightest idea who the boy was, or where he came from!

Nobody has been found at the Universal Film company who does know!

The mother of the missing boy is firm in her belief that where in America her little son is held in bondage as a MOVIE SLAVE, his kidnapers living off the earnings he makes as a child photoplay actor!

### WANT HEAT IN CARS Council After S. R. & S. Line Now

Chances look pretty good for less pneumonia and grip next winter. Steps are being taken to get heating equipment in all long-run street cars.

Monday afternoon the city council formally passed resolutions calling upon the public service commission to order heating equipment in the cars of the Seattle, Renton & Southern line.

The council already has taken up the fight for heat in the Seattle Electric company's cars.

The exact date for the hearing has not been set.

Will Be Held Soon But an early date has been promised by the commission. Chairman Reynolds announced Tuesday that it would be held immediately following the telephone rate hearing in Tacoma.

Councilmen Bolton and Dale were the only two who opposed the resolution.

"We had better begin at home and heat our own cars," Bolton said sarcastically. "Division A cars on the municipal line are always cold. It is a joke to patrons of the city line to request the traction company to heat its cars."

Bolton ridiculed the proposition further by saying the public service commission will probably hold no hearing on this question before the Fourth of July, and then the question will be taken to the courts, and "nothing will ever be accomplished, anyhow."

Councilman Hesketh, author of the resolution, replied to Bolton by informing him that the Lake Huron city line does have heat, and that the intention is merely to provide heat on long-run cars, and not on such short runs as Division A.

Will Build Standpipe The plan of the council is to have all cars heated after the temperature falls below a certain point.

Even tho it takes months to make the private corporation protect patrons by heating the cars, Councilman Hesketh believes a fight is necessary now to guarantee protection for next year.

Council bills were introduced providing for the construction of a 300,000-gallon standpipe for Beacon hill, with adequate standpipe connection.

The revised police ordinance that will substitute Fords for \$1,000 cars was referred back to the public safety committee.

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### PORT TRADE HAS VAST GROWTH 1915

This IS the year of promise.

The port of Seattle during the last year set a pace that will turn the eyes of the entire shipping world in her direction.

Figures set down in the annual report of Port Warden A. A. Fayssac, to be issued Wednesday, totally eclipse records of past years.

Imports amounting to \$163,261,313 poured into Seattle during 1915. The year previous total imports were \$89,339,742.

The gain in all imports, foreign and domestic, was \$73,921,571 in a single year.

Those figures show just one of the forward leaps.

Big Gain in Exports There was a gain of \$29,260,879 in total exports thru Seattle in 1915, as compared with 1914.

Ships steamed into Elliott bay carrying goods worth \$94,531,080 last year.

In 1914 they carried \$65,270,201 worth of goods.

THE GAIN IN TOTAL IMPORTS AND EXPORTS IN 1915 AMOUNTED TO \$103,182,450.

The figures for 1914 were \$154,609,943. Total imports and exports for 1915 were \$257,792,393.

Foreign Imports Doubled The gain in foreign exports alone during 1915 was more than the total foreign exports of the year before.

Foreign lands received shipments valued at \$37,556,624 during 1915, a gain of \$21,044,917 over the 1914 foreign exports, valued at \$16,511,707.

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### IT'S UP TO GERMANY U. S. Insists on a Full Disavowal

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Naught but Germany's absolute admission that the Lusitania torpedoing was illegal, coupled with a disavowal thereof, will be acceptable to this government, according to high administration sources today.

This word came simultaneously with a conference between Secretary of State Lansing and President Wilson, in the latter's private office.

From the conference was expected to result a decision as to the acceptability of Germany's so-called "last word" in the case.

German information was that the Berlin memorandum practically meets the administration terms, and that "Germany had left little for the United States to concede."

The diplomatic situation over the Lusitania torpedoing looks hopeful, the White House said today, following the conference between the president and Secretary Lansing.

The administration is hopeful that a satisfactory settlement may be reached within a day—probably at the Bernstorff-Lansing conference this afternoon.

The situation is now up to Bernstorff.

### PREACHER IS SHOT

SHERMAN, Tex., Feb. 8.—With his wife by his bedside, the Rev. H. M. Cagle lay dying today, too weak to make a statement concerning his shooting by Mrs. Annie Faust, a farmer's wife. Mrs. Faust insists that she was justified. She alleged the pastor had slandered her.

### PRINCE IS WOUNDED

BERLIN, by Wireless to Spyville, Feb. 8.—Prince Oscar, fifth son of the kaiser, was slightly injured by being struck on the head and thigh by shrapnel, said a semi-official announcement.

### Treasury Department "Shows Up" Local Congressman in Fight on "Pork Barrel" Methods.

By Gibson Gardner

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—Lending a hand in the national campaign now being waged by every independent newspaper and magazine in the country against the "pork barrel," the treasury department today made public the letters written by Congressman Will E. Humphrey of Seattle, showing his direct connection in unloading upon the government the notorious Seattle postoffice site for \$169,500 in January, 1912.

This site, at Sixth ave. S. and Atlantic st., has been rejected by Secretary McAdoo because it is not only under seven feet of water, but is out of the way and not easily accessible. According to the postoffice authorities, it would cost \$19,000 a year extra to handle mail from this site.

In a published interview in Seattle, Rep. Humphrey, when confronted with the undesirability of the site, attempted a flat denial that he had had any part in influencing the selection of the site.

Humphrey Denies Part in Negotiations

"I never had anything to do with the purchase of the site," he said in that interview. "In fact, I always have refused to take any part in negotiations having to do with the expenditure of government money for sites within my district. It is ridiculous to assert that I participated in the negotiations."

As showing Representative Humphrey DID interest himself in the matter, several letters written by Humphrey, marked "confidential," have been found in the files of the treasury department.

They were written to the then Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and to Humphrey's old friend, Bob Bailey, then assistant secretary of the treasury.

The site was purchased thru R. W. Hill, a Seattle real estate man and close political associate of Humphrey.

Hill was appointed United States census taker for the Seattle district in 1910.

The property was bought from Frank W. Baker and others of Seattle. Baker was at one time campaign manager for Humphrey.

Today, for the first time, the treasury department has given out the full text of Humphrey's letters. They speak for themselves.

On October 12, 1910, Humphrey wrote to Secretary MacVeagh as follows:

"I wired you yesterday in regard to the purchase of the postoffice site here in Seattle. There are many ugly rumors afloat in regard to this matter. Under all circumstances, I think it would be best for the department to hold this matter in abeyance until Senator Piles and myself can see you in person. There are some things which we can tell you which we do not care to write at this time. I think also that

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### GERALDINE MARRIED TODAY

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—In the flower-decked library of her home, Miss Geraldine Farrar, opera singer and movie star, at noon Tuesday became the bride of Lon Tellegen, actor.

A few close friends were the guests. The bride's father—just out of the hospital after an appendicitis operation—was propped up in a chair to witness the ceremony, performed by Rev. Leon Harvey, a Brooklyn Unitarian pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Tellegen went to Albany afterward. Tellegen opens in a new play there tomorrow.

The bride will return tomorrow to complete her rehearsals with the Metropolitan opera company. A more prolonged honeymoon probably will be taken this summer.

The Miss Farrar had ridiculed matrimony and vowed she would never wed before she was 40. Tellegen, extremely happy, declared that her previous views did not worry him.

### MAN AND HIS WIFE DIE IN SEATTLE SLIDE

#### TEMPERATURE DROPS; THAW IS POSTPONED

Owing to a sudden drop in temperature Monday night, chances of a flood locally were considerably lessened.

Weather Observer Salisbury said Tuesday there was hardly a likelihood of damage for at least 24 hours.

Should a thaw Wednesday was not improbable.

Occasional rain or snow probably the former, he predicted for the next 24 hours.

At 1 o'clock the temperature had reached 33 degrees and was climbing slowly. The wind was light, from the northeast.

Relays of Ballard police, firemen and citizens working steadily since Monday night have failed as yet to recover the body of Edward W. Gurney, 38, buried, with his wife, in a mass of mud and debris at the foot of Magnolia bluff.

Thousands of tons of earth slid from the face of the bluff early Monday night, carrying away the Gurney home and two other dwellings and crushing both Mr. and Mrs. Gurney, who were trying vainly to reach safety.

Mrs. Gurney's body was recovered soon afterward.

It had been carried, along with the ruins of their house, broken trees and large boulders, to the very water's edge.

August Bander, a neighbor, of 2400 West Galer st., narrowly escaped death. He and J. Ackerman had been helping the Gurneys get their household goods ready to move to a place of safety.

When the four heard the avalanche approaching, they broke from the house, Ackerman leading. He got safely away.

Bander was caught on the crest of the torrent of mud and horse manure 100 feet, buried up to his armpits.

The home of M. J. Hanley, at 2620 West Galer st., and that of R. Miller, adjoining, were swept away and demolished.

Residents had abandoned their dwellings several days ago, fearing a catastrophe.

Mrs. Gurney's body was found under less than a foot of mud. Had she not been held by the crotched branch of a tree, she might easily have extricated herself.

Gurney, who was a sign painter, had been employed lately in the Lotus refreshment parlor, 309 Pike st.

Firemen sluiced the mud with a large hose Tuesday, but had not uncovered the body of Gurney at noon.

### MRS. INEZ ASHER IS ASPHYXIATED

Coffee boiling over the pot extinguished the gas flame, and the fumes from the stove killed Mrs. Inez Asher, wife of Sol Asher, widely known pianist, at the Asher apartments, 2121 Seventh ave., at 1:35 Tuesday morning.

Heart trouble is believed to have been partially responsible for her death.

Mrs. Asher, who is known well in Seattle musical circles, had recently undergone an operation. Since that time she had complained often of heart trouble.

Her husband had an engagement to play Monday evening. When he returned home about 1 a. m., he smelled the gas.

He went to the basement and turned off the gas, then entered the kitchen. There he found his wife unconscious.



W.E. Humphrey