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# IF THE COMMISSION DOES NOT CUT, THE PEOPLE CAN USE THEIR REMEDY FLAMES BRING DEATH AND DESTRUCTION

## PEOPLE WANT THE LEVY CUT AND IT'S UP TO THE COMMISSION

It is up to the city commission to cut the tax levy. How? The commissioners are paid \$3,600 a year to devise the way. If they do not do it, the people have a remedy. These men took office promising economy. They repeatedly boasted they would cut expenses and save the city \$100,000 the first year. Instead he has helped to increase expenses about that much without additional results for the people.

Mayor Fawcett has kept his pledge of economy. He eliminated the city chemist, and the city has not lost a dollar by it. He cut salaries in his department, he went at the job as if it was his own money he was spending. He promises to use 14 per cent less next year than this.

COULD CUT DOWN POLICE PAYROLL. And the mayor says the other departments offer better chance for retrenchment than his own. He says Chief Maloney tells him one-third of the police force could be dispensed with except for special occasions. The people generally are satisfied that expenses can be cut. Fawcett has shown it is possible, and it is up to the commissioners.

PEOPLE HAVE THE REMEDY. If they do not make good the people will have the remedy in their hands.

These men were not elected for a definite term, but may be ousted by their employers. Their extravagance is not a blow at the commission plan. The result obtained by one commissioner in cutting his budget 14 per cent from last year shows it is the man, not the plan, that is at fault if the other budgets do not show similar results.

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## LEVY 18 SAILORS DROWNED

LONDON, Aug. 22.—Eighteen sailors were drowned when the British cruiser Bedford went ashore last night on Quelpart Island near the coast of Korea, according to an Exchange telegraph report today.

The vessel was under command of Captain Fitzhugh and carried a crew of 687 men. The vessel will probably be a total loss.

## ROOSEVELT STARTS WESTERN TRIP

(By United Press Leased Wire.) OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Aug. 22.—Colonel Roosevelt will begin tomorrow the first of a series of speaking tours, during which he will travel 5,492 miles and deliver 19 speeches. The first address will be made at Utica, N. Y. The most westerly points he will reach will be Denver and Cheyenne. Colonel Roosevelt's scheduled speeches will cover the subjects of conservation and suggested lines of progress for the banker, farmer and workingman.

## WHY THIS SUDDEN CHANGE OF HEART?

CONGRESSMAN WILL E. HUMPHRIES

Before the State Convention Aug. 3. In a Public Statement Yesterday.

"I believe in the obstinate integrity of that grand old man who for 36 years has held 'as with hoops of steel' the confidence and esteem of his constituents and colleagues; who for more than a generation has stood between wild extravagance and the national treasury; who has saved this nation more money than any other man who ever lived beneath our flag; who knows more about the wants and needs of this nation than any other man in the republic; who for years has borne every infernal coward in congress; under whose leadership in the last eight years congress has passed more important legislation than was passed in all the 30 years prior to that time; that grim old fighter that never asks quarter and never gives it; the 'Iron Duke' of American politics—Speaker Joseph G. Cannon.

Congressman Humphries of Senon; the opponent of anything progressive; referred to as 'the penny-dog of Piles' in his subservient attitude toward the privileged classes; now sees that the jig is up (Continued on Page Three.)

## \$23,350 FOR IMPROVEMENTS

The improvements on the five lots of waterfront north of the Eleventh street bridge wanted by the city for dock purposes were appraised today by the appraisal board at \$23,350. With the \$247,500 for the 16 1/2 lots this will make the total amount to be paid the Northern Pacific for the property \$270,850.

The appraisement of the warehouses on the 300 feet north of the bridge was made by Contractors E. J. Bonnell, John Huntington and Dan Cornell, who were appointed by the city for the purpose.

As soon now as the estimates for the rest of the requirements for the dock are completed now the commission will call for a special election to give the people a chance to vote bonds to carry the project forward.

## PEOPLE FLEE FROM FLAMES--CHILDREN LOST IN RUSH

## MORE THAN A HUNDRED DEAD

(BULLETIN) MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 22.—A relief train left here this afternoon for Borax, Ida., east of Wallace, to locate a company of colored troops from Camp Sparta, Wyo., that arrived at Borax Saturday and have since been unheard from.

As Borax is within the fire zone much anxiety is felt for the safety of the troops.

SPOKANE, Aug. 22.—A report brought in this morning from the fire district in Idaho and Montana places the list of dead at 100.

One hundred and eighty men in the forest service are missing, hemmed in by the flames. A rescue party of 100 men has started to their assistance.

\$1,000,000 LOSS AT WALLACE. The property loss at Wallace, Idaho, is over \$1,000,000. Many other towns are in danger as a solid line of fire extends for 50 miles from Thompson Falls, Montana, to the Idaho line.

REFUGEES LEAVING FIRE DISTRICTS. Over 1,000 refugees from the fire districts arrived here last night and this morning. Every train, electric car and automobile available has been pressed into service and a continual stream of refugees is pouring in here.

Every hotel and lodging house is full and private homes are being thrown open to the refugees.

CHILDREN LOST. In the mad rush for the trains many children became separated from their parents. Anxious parents are closely watching every train from the fire district hoping to see the little ones who became separated in the mad rush for the trains yesterday.

Situation Worse Today. With half of Wallace in ruins and the little towns of Taft, Mont., St. Regis, Wash. Avery, Idaho, burned, the forest fire situation in Idaho, Washington and Montana assumed a graver aspect today than that which confronted the fire fighters yesterday.

In the fire zone 30 bodies had (Continued on Page Three.)

## BLOOD FLOWS IN KURDISH VILLAGES

(By United Press Leased Wire.) ODESSA, Aug. 22.—Kurdish tribes and peasantry of the Urmiah district, Persia, reached open war today following the murder of M'sa Korvahl, the Kurdish chieftain, by peasants.

The Kurds sacked hamlets and put a hundred peasants to the sword. The fighting is attended by horrible atrocities.

Persian troops sent to check the Kurds were driven back.

Twelve villages are reported destroyed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—It was announced today that F. Augustus Heinze, who recently figured in federal prosecutions, was engaged to marry Bernice Henderson, a member of the "A Fool There Was" company. The marriage is set for this week, and the couple will start on a honeymoon in a special car.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Aug. 22, 1553. Lord John Dudley, duke of Northumberland lost his head by having a sharp ax fall upon his neck.

Dudley was accused of treason, but a sort of home-loving ambitious form of treason at that, as he had principally tried to place the crown of England upon the head of his son's wife, Lady Jane Grey.

Maybe Lady Jane would have made a more delightful queen than Mary, during whose reign the lord high executioner was the busiest of the public servants. But Lady Jane resigned for nine days only.

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

REVOLOUTION MAY BREAK OUT IN PORTUGAL AT ANY MOMENT. It is reported that the clericals are awaiting a signal to rise, following word from their brethren in Spain. Meanwhile rifles are being brought into Portugal and put into the hands of the republican leaders.

## TAHOE FOREST IN FLAMES

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEVADA CITY, Cal., Aug. 22.—Fire gained a foothold today in the Tahoe forest and miles of heavy timberland are being swept by a great conflagration, according to a message received here today.

The plant of the Bullock mine near Forest Hill, Placer county, was destroyed. A force of 150 men is fighting the flames and help is needed. It is rumored that the Forest Hill fire was started by an incendiary.

## INSURGENTS ADVANCING; MADRIZ ON THE RUN

(By United Press Leased Wire.) MANAGUA, Aug. 22.—General Mena, commanding the advance of the revolutionary army, entered Managua today with several thousand troops.

President Madriz thereupon publicly acknowledged his defeat and proclaimed General Juan Estrada president of the republic.

BLUEFIELDS, Aug. 22.—Elaté by victories in Tipitapa river and at Granada, the insurgent armies are advancing on Masaya today in direct line for Managua, which is expected to fall soon.

President Madriz and his leading advisors are in flight.

The insurgents exultantly predict the fall of Masaya today.

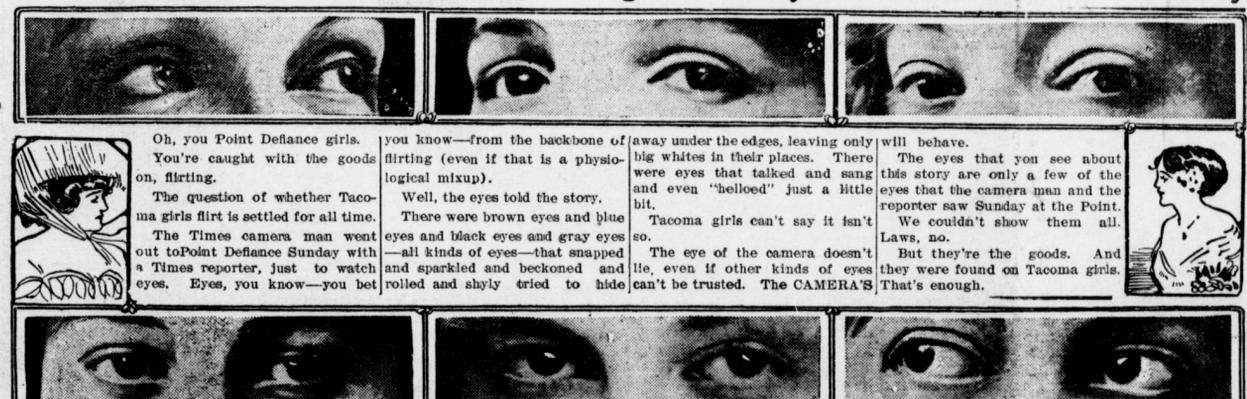
The Madriz followers are demoralized and are rapidly becoming disorganized. Doubt is expressed here whether they can put up an effective defense of the capital.

## LETTING CANNON SLIP OUT EASILY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—Another step in the reported attempt of the administration to relegate Speaker Cannon to a less important place in the councils of the republic today has been made by the republican congressional campaign committee. For the first time in many congressional campaigns Cannon has not been assigned speaking dates by the committee.

Republican leaders say Uncle Joe's services are not wanted because of his avowed attitude on emergency which he is prone to express in his speeches. His attitude, they declare, in his address in Kansas and the results there are sufficient to show the leaders that insurgency is a good thing to let alone.

## Sh-h! Girls at Pt. Defiance Park Flirt! Caught at It by the Times Camera Yesterday



SOME PRETTY, FLIRTY EYES CAUGHT BY THE TIMES PHOTOGRAPHER AT POINT DEFIANCE PARK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

## Odd and Ends

Victor Murdock, the noted Kansas insurgent, will speak at the Tacoma theater Thursday night and everybody is invited to hear him. He will no doubt speak in praise of Miles Poindexter.

"What's an eligible young man, ma?"

"Any young man who owns an automobile, and can afford to keep it in repair."

Cuba exported 1,263,466 crates of pineapples last year. The United States bought most of the crop.

Forest fires often burn all winter, the flames creeping along under the snow, destroying the roots of trees and shrubbery.

The S. P. C. A. wants the 80,000 dogs of Constantinople, now narrowed on a desert isle of the sea of Marmora, mercifully destroyed.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—Lee O'Neill Browne, charged with bribery in connection with the election of Senator William Lorimer to the United States senate, went on trial for the second time today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—According to census statistics issued today the population of Toledo, O., is 163,437. This is an increase of 27 3/4 per cent over the last census.

## A CALIFORNIA ADVENTURE IN CONTENTMENT

THE STORY OF THE "LITTLE LANDERS," PEOPLE WHO GAVE UP THE STRUGGLE IN THE CITY FOR A LIFE IN THE COUNTRY "BECAUSE THEY LIKE TO THINK FOR THEMSELVES."

By William E. Smythe. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Aug. 22.—J. M. Mills, now 56 years of age, was, for a long time, cashier of a large commission house at South Omaha, Neb., usually handling \$30,000 a day. Now he is cultivating one acre of land in Tia Juana valley, Cal., and declares he prefers the new occupation to the old because, as he puts it: "I like to think for myself—a little."

"When I came here a year ago," he went on, "I bought three acres and thought that was getting down to a pretty small proposition. I find by experience that one acre is enough to keep me busy in this climate every day in the year is harvest day, and that I can make it yield a comfortable living. No rent to pay, vegetables, fruit, poultry and eggs for our consumption and a surplus of things to sell for cash—mostly from the poultry yard and winter garden—solve the problem." He went on to speak of other things, but that is the story I want to tell.

Mr. Mills is but one of a colony of 150 Little Landers who are demonstrating the truth of Bolton Hall's proposition that "a little land and living surely is better than desperate struggle and wealth possibly."



"A QUARTER ACRE RANCH."

## DO YOU KNOW

That Japanese and Italian gardeners in the Puyallup valley pay \$20 to \$40 rental per year for every acre they cultivate and make money at that?

That the Pacific National bank is the oldest in Tacoma and that it was made a United States depository in 1835?

That the first through train of the Northern Pacific railroad came to Tacoma 22 years ago on the 4th of July?

That the new Northern Pacific depot willfront 231 feet and will cost approximately \$750,000?

That Point Defiance park used to be a military reserve and that it contains 638 acres?

BANK CLEARINGS

Clearings	\$960,602.88
Balances	48,461.46

HOUSE COST \$166.

sin, Kansas, Colorado, Missouri, Iowa, North Dakota, Texas, Oregon and Arizona.

Less than two years ago they (Continued on Page Three.)