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TACOMA'S POPULATION 83,743

Royal Arch Funds To Fight Anti-Treating Law

City's Chief Executive Denies That He is Making a Political Play and Declares He Will Enforce Ordinance to the Letter.

To the Editor of Tacoma Times: My Dear Sir: Every official of the city of Tacoma elected by the people, or commissioned by me, has taken this oath: "I swear that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state of Washington, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office according to law and to the best of my ability. So help me God."

The enforcement of this anti-treating law will not only save a thousand young men from a drunkard's career during the next ten years, but it will also save ten thousand mothers and children from being hungry and poorly clothed during that time. It will save the people of Tacoma during the same length of time ten million dollars that will go into provisions, clothing and homes to make people happy. It will be one of the greatest incentives for the upbuilding of Tacoma that has ever been brought about, and will make it one of the most beautiful cities in the world, as well as one of the greatest. This law will not prevent a single individual from enjoying any of his individual rights to buy what he wants to wear—that he wants to eat or what he wants to drink—but it will prevent him from making a fool of someone else, the same as the laws of the land prevent him from killing someone else.

Royal Arch Raising Fund. I have been informed by one high up in the Royal Arch that they are now raising a fund of from seventy to seventy-five thousand dollars to be used in defeating this anti-treating law, and I would suggest and urge upon every father, every mother, every brother and every sister the necessity of rising up in their might to make a fight for their loved ones—for their friends—for their homes and for humanity in general. I do not want you to take me into consideration; I am only your servant, always ready, anxious and willing to carry on a fight for what I think and believe to be right. Do not pay any attention or allow any exposition to this anti-treating law with its special interest newspapers to mislead you into believing that I am doing what I am for some future benefit that I might gain in getting votes for office. I assure you that I am not a candidate for any office; but I am anxious that this law become effective for the reason that it will prevent untold misery and suffering to thousands and thousands of human beings in the future. Even if it would save only one life I would prefer its enforcement to being President of the United States.

A. V. FAWCETT, Mayor.

OTIS COMING

General Harrison J. Otis, proprietor of the Los Angeles Times, which was recently blown up killing many of the employees, will be a guest and will speak at the annual banquet of the Tacoma Builders Exchange.

New Jersey Has 2,535,167

(By United Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The census of the state of New Jersey is 2,535,167, as announced by the census bureau today. This is an increase of 34.7 per cent. The new figures entitle New Jersey to three additional congressmen.

Everybody Believes in Fairies, Now

ONCE UPON A TIME there were a VERY few people who turned up their worldly-wise noses at the fairies, but that was before two REALLY wise men, Mr. Barry and Mr. Maeterlinck, made their wonderful visits to Fairyland, which were much more important, believe us, than Lieut. Peary's visit to the place where the Northern Lights come from.

Yuletide Fairy Tales for Our Boys and Girls

CHILDREN ALL, you'll want to read EVERY ONE of these stories, for they are really, truly fairies, RIGHT HERE IN AMERICA—fairies who do wonderful things—happy, helpful, mischievous fairies. Maybe you'll recognize some of them as old friends, for the fairies live forever and are always young. But you'll find them doing new and very surprising stunts. Some of the stories tell about Christmas fairies, and all have the beautiful SPIRIT of Christmas in them somewhere. WATCH OUT FOR THE FIRST STORY IN TOMORROW'S TIMES.

WORK ON DOCK TOMORROW

The bonds have been sold, the lumber bought and work starts on the municipal dock tomorrow. The Old Town mill will furnish the lumber for the remodeling of the warehouse north of the bridge into a city dock. It will require 125,000 feet and they will deliver it on a scow for \$2,275. This was \$500 less than the high bid. John McDonald of Old Town has been appointed by Commissioner Wood to take charge of the reconstruction. There will be some men on the job tomorrow. The city is going to pay \$4 a day for carpenters, and it is expected to get the best men going and rush the job to completion. The sinking fund commission sold the bonds yesterday. There were a dozen bids, nearly, and the \$405,000 dock bonds brought \$413,456.40, being a premium of \$8,456.40, making the bonds sell at \$102.08 each. The bond buyers present declared this was an excellent sale, and shows that Tacoma credit is first class.

GIRL THREATENS SUICIDE

(By United Press Leased Wire.) CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 9.—Attorneys defending Hattie LeBlanc, on trial here for the murder of Clarence Glover, introduced testimony today to show that the girl had sworn to commit suicide if she were convicted. Mrs. Lillian Langley, a sister of the 17-year-old defendant, was the principal witness of the day. "Hattie swore she would never be sent to prison or be hanged," Mrs. Langley testified.

IDAHO GUARD UNDER PROBE

(By United Press Leased Wire.) BOISE, Ida., Dec. 9.—It is generally believed here today that the convening of the board of examiners of the Idaho National Guard to investigate the qualifications of certain officers of the guard, is aimed at some particular state official. Adjutant General Rowe, however, declares that there is no animus behind the investigation, in answer to the rumors that an effort is being made to procure the "scalp" of Secretary of State Lane, who is colonel of the Second Infantry.

Flies 10,400 Feet in Air

(United Press Leased Wire.) PAU, France, Dec. 9.—Aviator LeGagneux in a Blériot monoplane today broke the record for altitude, according to an unofficial announcement. His barograph showed that he ascended 10,400 feet.

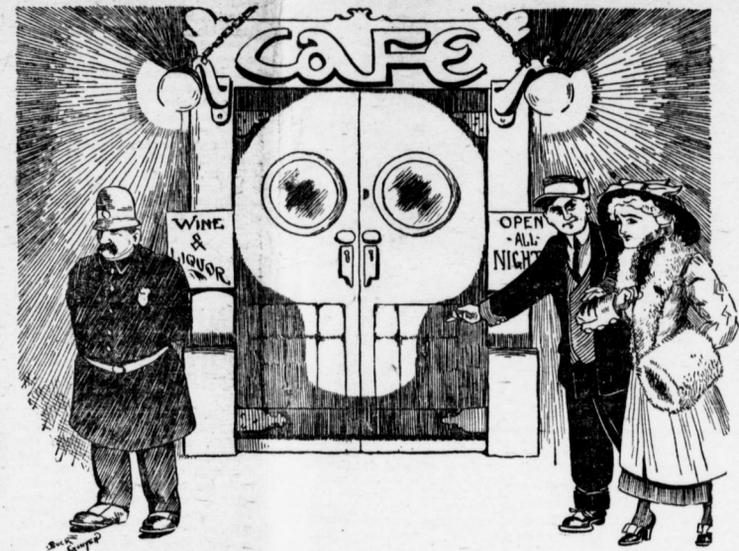
MAJ. GEN. RANDOLPH KILLS HIMSELF

(By United Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—Major General Walter Randolph killed himself in his home here by shooting, according to a report received by the police.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—With 199 seats to be voted upon, the elections in Great Britain today stood as follows: Conservatives, 206; liberals, 158; nationalists, 56; laborites, 29; O'Brienists, 6.

WEATHER FORECAST Probably fair tonight and Saturday; light easterly winds.

AND IN THE MEANWHILE



Some folks like the anti-treating law. Others don't. But what about the picture above? Will it pass, then it is up to the anti-treating law to supply the remedy. A closing hour, allowing the saloons to stay open reasonably late in the evening and yet not allowing them to remain open until the morning hours would be approved by most Tacoma citizens.

Saloonmen Get Busy and Will Try To Defeat Fawcett's Ordinance

Saloonmen Wrought Up Over New Ordinance—Petitions On Street Asking for Referendum.

The new anti-treating ordinance still holds the center of the stage in Tacoma. The saloonkeepers are wrought up as they never have been in the history of the city. They are going to stop that ordinance if there is any way to do it.

Yesterday afternoon petitions were started out under the new charter for a referendum on the thing. They emanated from the California Wine House and were taken around to the business men on the avenue and are being passed today. One at the Donnelly cigar stand had 60 names today. It will require 1,860 names to stop the ordinance from going into force a week from Monday and they must be presented before 10 days.

If when the petition is presented the council refuses to repeal the ordinance it must then call an election to submit it to the people for referendum. "If I cannot understand the argument of the opposition. He says: "Ex-Mayor LLinek the other day before the council in opposing the ordinance said that it would put 100 saloons out of business. Just how it will put so many out of business when it cannot be enforced I cannot understand. But I am opposed to the repeal. A great many people I know believe this is just the thing and I do not see why it cannot be enforced."

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ALICE WILL GET HER BROWN-EYED DOLL

Little Alice, whose father had brown eyes and who wrote to the Times Santa Claus, will not be without her dolly this year. A kind hearted lady whose eyes looked suspiciously wet called at the Times office yesterday afternoon with a golden haired doll that had brown eyes. She said that if Santa Claus wasn't prepared to bring Alice the sort of dolly she wanted, "here it is."

Many other parties called the Times over the telephone and said they had bundles of warm clothes that would be sent to the office. Early yesterday morning Mr. Van Voris, the humane officer, sent a check to the Times for one dollar, which will be used in the fund to aid Santa Claus with his toys. Children who need toys or clothes may write to the Times Santa Claus or come to the office and tell what they need. Santa will try and help them.

Women Students Driven From Bed By Fire

(By United Press Leased Wire.) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—Eight women students of the College of Fine Arts of the University of Southern California, were driven to the street in their night robes early today when fire destroyed the college building and an adjoining dormitory. William L. Judson, dean of the college, was asleep in his apartment in the college building when the fire was discovered. His room-mates were filled with smoke and he was compelled to leap through a window today when fire destroyed the college building and an adjoining dormitory. Judson, dean of the college, was asleep in his apartment in the college building when the fire was discovered. His room-mates were filled with smoke and he was compelled to leap through a window today when fire destroyed the college building and an adjoining dormitory.

FLEEING PEOPLE TELL OF HEAVY FIGHTING

(By United Press Leased Wire.) EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 9.—Citizens of Pecos, fleeing to escape being caught between federal and insurgent forces, which are gathering in that vicinity, arrived in El Paso today and reported that sharp fighting with heavy losses to both sides of the refugees. A large body of insurgents marching toward Chihuahua will meet a similar force of federal troops marching to meet them Sunday, it is believed, and a decisive battle is expected, according to the reports.

ONLY 771 NAMES MORE THAN IN FIRST COUNT

Tacoma's population was announced this morning as 83,743, and these figures will go in as official.

After a complete recount, Director Hunt made the announcement, following a final meeting with the Tacoma committee. The results, while not at all satisfactory to the people of Tacoma, must be taken as final, as Director Durand has declared positively that this will be the last count.

Committee Disappointed. The committee of Tacoma business men who checked up the figures of the enumerators were all greatly disappointed at the figures, and none felt that Tacoma had been given an equal show with other cities.

William Jones said: "While I feel sure that Mr. Hunt did his duty conscientiously, still I am sore. I still believe that had Tacoma been enumerated as other cities were we would have showed from 15 to 17 per cent more."

The original figures given out by Durand which was responsible for the protest that brought about the recount gave Tacoma a population of 82,972. Tacoma's increase is 46,029, or 122 per cent, in the past 10 years.

THE BETTER TREASURER

Starting tomorrow the Times will publish a serial called "The Better Treasurer," which it believes will interest all of its readers. "The Better Treasurer" is a Christmas story by Mary Raymond Shipman Andrews and deals with a young man "down and out" and strongly tempted to do wrong with approach of the holiday season. Remember, beginning tomorrow.

CHRISTYS TO MAKE UP?

(By United Press Leased Wire.) ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 9.—Mrs. Howard Chandler Christy, wife of the artist, will arrive here next week to spend the Christmas holidays with her husband and daughter. It was announced today, and rumors that a reconciliation between the estranged couple has taken place are again current. The Christys agreed to disagree two years ago. Since then the tide of matrimony in their case has ebbed and flowed. Many times it appeared that the artist and his wife were about to make up. Each time, however, when at the point of burying their differences, something arose to interfere.

Dame gossip says that the daughter, to whom both Mr. and Mrs. Christy are devotedly attached, was responsible for the present truce.

100 CHRISTIANS ARE MASSACRED

(By United Press Leased Wire.) CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 9.—One hundred Christians and the Turkish garrison at Kerak, a town in the Turkish village of Syria, were massacred by Bedouins, according to a telegram that reached here from Jerusalem today. Kerak is now in the hands of the Bedouins and desultory fighting is now going on. The trouble arose, it was reported, of the execution by the garrison of a Bedouin.

ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF PRESIDENT DAVILLA

(By United Press Leased Wire.) TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Dec. 9.—That an attempt was made Tuesday to assassinate President Davilla became known here today. It is said a man representing himself as peace messenger of Western Honduran insurgents, obtained an interview with the president and drew a revolver. Davilla's guards pounced upon the intruder and disarmed him before a shot was fired. Martial law has been proclaimed in Honduras and the jails are filled with rebels. It is reported that the United States cruiser Tacoma will arrive at Puerto Cortez tomorrow to protect American interests.

Mayor Fawcett's Goat Is Bleating Hard

It is easy to be seen that Mayor Fawcett's "goat" has been "got." His honor's pompadour effect seemed to brighten straight up this a. m. as he talked of his pet ordinance, the anti-treating law. The mayor's eyes twinkled and he bubbled over with enthusiasm as he told of what Tacoma is to be. "But what has 'got' the mayor's 'goat'?" Why, nothing more than the fact that his opponents are spreading broadcast insinuations that his honor has dreams of up. ver. Davilla's guards pounced upon the intruder and disarmed him before a shot was fired. Martial law has been proclaimed in Honduras and the jails are filled with rebels. It is reported that the United States cruiser Tacoma will arrive at Puerto Cortez tomorrow to protect American interests.

DO YOU KNOW

That Larry McLean, the great Cincinnati catcher, wants 25 cents for every drink he refuses to take. Keep away from Tacoma, Larry, if you're sure to get rich.

That the electric ride from Tacoma to Seattle is god for yellow jaundice. It stirs the liver up better than the most powerful medicine.

That every year the steamer Flyer travels more than 40,000 miles? That the county court house is insured for \$80,000?

That the sense of smell is the most potent of the senses in recalling memories of former scenes and times? That pool hall proprietors pay about \$275 a month to the city in licenses?

That Philip Sousa, the march king, is devoted to having and is an excellent trap shot?

COLLIER JUDGE OF PORTLAND SHOW

PORTLAND, Dec. 9.—The Oregon poultry show is on here with a big list of entries. Harry H. Collier of Tacoma is judge of the show and Tacoma poultrymen have about 75 birds entered.

'THEN IT HAPPENED'



This is a nature story. Bunnymace, the little brother of Peter Rabbit, left his snug burrow and went where there was some nice crisp lettuce. As he started to nibble the tender green growth his attention was attracted by a thing which looked like a section of garden hose with shoe button eyes. Bunnymace hopped nearer to get a closer look. The more he looked the more those shoe button eyes beckoned. Something within Bunnymace told him to go right home, but somehow the section of garden hose would not let him. Just about this time the section of garden hose began to smile in a grisly sort of manner. Bunnymace hopped nearer. (THE END.)