

When you're dreaming your brain is working harder than at any other time. This is the reason that some people know most when they are asleep.

The Tacoma Times

"Rockefeller is on his knees," says a standard organ of that Standard Oil decision. What's John on his knees for—trying to find that supreme judge that's missing from his collection?

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MILLIONAIRE SHOT BY ACTRESS

He Jilted Her For Another Girl; She Shoots Him Down In Room

Wounded Man Charges Blackmail—Girls Say He Assaulted Them in Effort to Get Letters He Wrote to Graham Girl.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, June 8.—Lillian Graham, 22, actress, and Ethel Conrad, 18, artist's model, who shot and three times wounded W. E. D. Stokes, millionaire hotel proprietor and sporting man, in their rooms in the fashionable Veruna apartments, are held without bail today. Stokes, 65, with three bullets in his legs, lies in Roosevelt hospital, while his young bride and his son by a former marriage, E. D. Stokes, are in constant attendance on him. Three Japanese, who were arranging for a dinner in apartments adjoining those of the Graham girl and who took a hand in the affray, severely beating Stokes, believing he had attacked the girls, are being held as witnesses.

Mother and Daughter Rival Beauties



The Seattle Star is having a lot of fun with "beauty contests." The local beauties (and there are an amazing lot of them) are simply asked to send in their pictures, and every once in a while eligible judges award prizes.

THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN REVIEWED BY PRESIDENT

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, June 8.—Between 75,000 and 80,000 children, it is estimated, were reviewed today by President Taft as they marched in the annual parade of the Brooklyn Sunday school union.

LONE BANDIT HOLDS UP TWO SALOONS

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SACRAMENTO, June 8.—Deputy sheriffs are today searching for a lone masked bandit who held up two saloons on the Stockton road near here, securing about \$100.

Weather Forecast

Fair tonight and Friday. Warmer Friday. Light west, shifting to northerly winds.

apartment and attacked them. They allege that the shots were fired in self defense. Miss Graham today displayed marks on her throat which she said had been made by Stokes' fingers when he attempted to choke her. Stokes asserts that he was lured into the apartment and that the girls endeavored to blackmail him and secure \$25,000. "This is the second attempt," he said today. "A week ago Miss Graham came to my office in the Ansonia and demanded \$500. I refused it. Then she threatened to kill herself and produced a bottle. I told her to go as far as she liked. She walked toward the corner of the office, and I sprang after her, took the bottle away from her and smelled it. It contained cologne. Then I had her ejected from the office. At a preliminary hearing this morning both Miss Graham and Miss Conrad were charged with assault in the first degree and held without bail. Stokes, now proprietor of the Ansonia hotel here, was formerly well known on the Pacific coast. Miss Graham also formerly lived on the coast. Stokes Wedded Quickly. Lillian Graham came to New York with Stokes from San Francisco. They lived together at the Ansonia hotel. Eight months ago, accompanied by Mrs. Singleton, the girl left for Europe, ostensibly en route to Belgium to study music. Friends here say that she told them that when her musical education was completed she would return and marry

GIRL WROTE POETRY.

In searching the apartment of the young woman, after the assault, the police found the following poem, written by Miss Graham:

You've sipped all the honey there was in the flower
And its petals are yellow and dry;
You've had all the sweetness in one short hour
And now leave the rose to die.

O, butterfly, when you flew away
And I thought that life was over,
A voice in my heart seemed to say
Cheer up, find another lover.

Stokes. Four months after she had left New York Stokes and Miss Elwood were quietly married in Hoboken, N. J. Miss Graham hurried back to New York. For some time she has been living with the Conrad girl at the Veruna apartments. Letters Cause of Affair. It was over letters written to Miss Graham, while she was in Europe that the quarrel arose which culminated in last night's shooting. Although the stories of the principals vary in many particulars, all agree that Stokes had written letters to the Graham girl which he was extremely anxious to recover. The visit to the apartments concerned these letters.

Picked Up From the Day's News

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK.—Margaret Ingersoll, 19, former waitress in a Marinette (Ga.) restaurant, is in New York today to claim an inheritance of half a million dollars. Jos. H. Choate, her guardian, found her after a two years' search.

LOWELL, Mass.—Fifteen Angora kittens, kept in the kitchen by his wife, got the Angora goat of Edward R. Taylor, old sea dog. He is suing for divorce.

ROCKFORD, Ill.—Dr. Clinton Helm, 82, is candidate for a Carnegie medal. He leaped into the Rock river and swam ashore with his three-year-old granddaughter.

CHICAGO.—A defense fund, subscribed to by persons kept awake at night by cat concerts, has been raised to defend Daniel Miller, charged with malicious mischief in killing a neighbor's cat.

CHICAGO.—Trunk lines are planning to abolish their present system of granting low fares to clergymen traveling between Chicago and New York.

VANDERGRIFT, Pa.—Leon Von Wilhelm is awaiting work of forgiveness from his parents in Prussia, who cut him off from an inheritance of \$50,000 when he came to America to marry a former peasant sweetheart. The girl had married another man before he arrived.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Governor Deneen has been petitioned by union labor to include the initiative and referendum in his call for a special session of the legislature.

CHICAGO.—Recognizing that some swim without getting too close to the water, a Chicago department store is offering bathing suits to women, the colors of which it is admitted will run if the garments get wet. They are called "beaching suits."

NEW YORK.—Miss Annie S. Peck is today en route to South America to attempt an ascent of the Aconcagua peak of the Andes, 12,888 feet high.

PORTLAND.—Fearing blindness more than death, John Haason, 65, an ironworker, committed suicide by taking carbolic acid.

CENTRALIA.—While his parishioners thought Rev. George A. Symington, Episcopal minister, was away on church business, he was really on trial in Seattle for a serious offense. He was given a ten years' sentence. Symington was middle-aged and married.

WASHINGTON.—Postal savings banks will be opened at Colfax and Prosser, Wash.

ST. LOUIS.—After wearing man's clothes for 14 years, Mrs. Augusta Seb went to the workhouse for 56 days rather than change.

WASHINGTON.—There is more gold in the treasury vaults now than ever before in the history of the nation. On June 1, \$1,815,000,000 in coin and bullion were in Uncle Sam's strong box.

Willy-Nilly, These Two Must Wed, If Royal Parents Say So



PRINCESS VICTORIA OF GERMANY AND EDWARD ALBERT, PRINCE OF WALES.

LONDON, June 8.—Pity these royal children who are to be sacrificed on the altar of international politics. Edward Albert, prince of Wales and heir to the British throne, is a nice kid of 17—the awkward age for boys. The Princessin Victoria Louise is the daughter of the emperor of Germany—17 as to years, but in bearing a charming young woman who has a mind and will of her own. In everything but rank, this boy and this girl are miles apart. They met the other day for the first time. Yet they know now that they must marry, and the girl must bear children in order that the jealousies between two royal houses may be laid. A king and an emperor have willed it so. They met — this awkward boy and this alert, vivacious girl — without embarrassment, for their royal parents had not taken them into their confidence. They were thrown together on every possible occasion, left alone as often and as long as royal etiquette permits.

She Notices It. And it was the girl, with a woman's intuition, who first noticed the maneuver. As for the boy, he was itching to get away to his boy playmate, to his pony, his gun and his cricket. But in time even he guessed, and grew tongue-tied, and into his eyes there came a frightened, harassed look. There is evidence that one morning the princess appeared at breakfast with red-rimmed, rebellious eyes and a stubborn chin; that the empress seemed torn between love and duty; and that the kaiser was in a nasty temper. Even royalty have their family tiffs. But the game must go on. The pawns in the game are not considered. The boy will never "keep company" with a girl of his own choosing. The girl will never have a "beau". They may rebel, threaten, coax, plead, but in the end they will be married amid great pomp; and though they come to love or hate each other they will give no sign. They will grow old together, and if there are children they will in future years use them as pawns, as they were used, in the heartless, useless game of thrones.

Wappenstein Jury Gets Case Today

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SEATTLE, June 8.—Arguments in the Wappenstein trial began shortly after 11 o'clock this morning. It was agreed that each side was to have two and one half hours to present the case. The jury will probably retire for its deliberations this evening.

Wappenstein showed marked lapse of memory in fixing dates that are materially connected with the bribery charge against him. He had accounted for the heavy deposits in his bank during his infancy in office to a repayment of a \$5,000 debt to him by his brother-in-law, Ed Benn of Aberdeen.

DEATH TOLL HEAVY

(By United Press Leased Wire.) MEXICO CITY, June 8.—Partial communication with the west and south was restored today and reports that hundreds had been killed in Zapotlan by yesterday's earthquake were received here. Many were rendered homeless in that city and great destruction was wrought in surrounding towns and villages. The volcano Colima is erupting today. Some minor earthquake shocks were reported this morning.

GIRL FIGHTING HER WAY TO DECENCY GETS BRUTAL SET BACK FROM POLICE

blundering police knocked her back down again. "What's the use," she said. "What's the use of trying to be good. The whole world is against you." Safe in a good home with the people who still believed in her, the girl is baring herself for a final attempt. The girl—for she is only a girl yet—started right. She came to Tacoma to find work—and met the wrong man. After that there was the starvation period which day by day forced her to that terrible philosophy: "Being good is only a matter of having enough to eat and drink." But anyway this girl got a chance to straighten up. A big hearted rancher from Duwamish, and his good wife, happened to hear about the girl and offered her a home. She jumped at the chance. "We'll forget the past and start out new," they told her. For months she has been living there, helping in the housework, more a companion for the rancher's wife than as a servant. Last Saturday they sent her to Tacoma to make some purchases for the ranch. She was late getting them

Stokes' Bride Is 24, He's 65

(United Press Leased Wire.) DENVER, June 8.—Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes, whose husband was shot while visiting Miss Graham and Miss Conrad in a New York apartment house, formerly lived in Denver. Miss Elwood went to New York in September last to study art and music. Letters received by her mother in Denver told of her meetings with Stokes but gave no inkling of any engagement, and the first intimation either her sister or mother had of such an occurrence was when the marriage was announced. Stokes is 65 years old and his bride 24.

ARMED JAP ATTACKS MEADS

Oriental Swings Black-jack on City Controller. City Controller Johnny Meads says there is more to this talk about the scrappy Japanese than some people think. He has been in the habit of getting his clothes cleaned at the "lucky" shop on St. Helena avenue. Yesterday he sent his suit up again. When he went for it he found Lucky gone and a Jap in the place. The price had always been 50 cents before, but the Jap asked \$1.75. Johnny demurred and threw down \$1 and picked up the clothes and started out. The Jap was between Johnny and the door and he whipped out a black jack and got busy. Meads hung to the clothes and warded off three blows and one finally caught him on the wrist. The controller finally pushed the Jap away and escaped. A big crowd meantime had assembled and was eager for further hostilities, but Meads hustled away and got into his clothes and went to a dance. Eddie Swanto is the Japanese who made the assault. He was arrested on a warrant by Deputy Geary this forenoon.

ARE OTHER ROUTES

The city can change the route for its pole line to the Nisqually power plant, not increase the length of the line at all and save the fine scenery along the mountain road, according to J. B. Hawthorn, who with Donald McFadon was at the city hall today to meet the commission. The committee has been trying to devise some way to get the city switched off the mountain road and Hawthorn thinks they have found a route that will be practicable. It will be submitted to the council tomorrow.

TRAVEL NOTE.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—President Taft left for New York this morning at 8 o'clock.

TELLS OF MURDER

Helped Lover Bury Body in Onion Patch After Murder of Which She Was the Cause.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NORFOLK, Va., June 8.—Confessing that she had helped bury the body of Harry Davis in an onion bed in the yard of her home at Mason Creek, Mrs. Minnie Murdock cleared up the mystery surrounding the finding of his body and accused her lover, Charles Merkle, of having killed him. In her confession to the police today Mrs. Murdock said that Merkle climbed through a window of her home and, finding her sleeping in Davis' arms, crushed his head with an axe. She declared that she and Merkle were panic-stricken and hid the body under the bed until morning. Then, she said, they dragged it out and buried it in the onion patch. Merkle and Mrs. Murdock are held for murder. "Davis, who is also known as Harding, was a friend of mine for years," Mrs. Murdock told the police. "Three months ago we quarreled and he left. Charlie Merkle and I went together after that. We could not agree and I ordered him away. Then Davis returned. Recently Merkle told me if I did not drive Davis away he would kill both of us.

Blom Not Guilty Neither Is Blaauw

Though the jury this morning acquitted Carl Blom of maliciously libeling Dirk Blaauw when he accused the Norwegian consul of the murder of his brother, Capt. Thorwald Blom, there'll be no action taken against Blaauw. The prosecutor's office laughed at the idea this morning. Though Blom didn't libel Blaauw by accusing him of it, still there is no evidence that Blaauw had anything to do with the crime, is the situation today. The verdict was made possible by the judge's charge that if the jury thought that Blom was sure in his own mind of the guilt of Blaauw when he made the charge they were to acquit him. The jury evidently thought that Blom was convinced that he was telling the truth, but that he was mistaken in his charges. After a stormy discussion lasting well into the night, the jury in the Carl Blom libel case were unable to agree this morning. The case was given into their hands yesterday afternoon. Later in the evening this discussion became so loud as to be heard around the corridors of the court house. Attorneys believe there is little hope of an agreement. Lawyers' pleas for both tate and defense yesterday were crimonations and recriminations. The defense accused the state of taking up the fight of the Codfish trust. Blom, the defendant, was roughly handled by the state's attorneys.

Children Are Blase At 16 She Says



MRS. E. P. COSTIGAN. Are the school boys and girls of the modern-day blase at 16? Is the children's party which lasts till 10 or 11 o'clock becoming the rule rather than the exception? Mrs. E. P. Costigan, vice president of the Woman's club of Denver, says "yes." "Amusement is one of the gravest questions of the day for the mother," says Mrs. Costigan. "The old-fashioned play and healthful outdoors recreation is being forgotten. And the sensational amusement is taking their place. "Theater-going is a growing habit among children. There is something in most every vaudeville entertainment which you would prefer your young child not to see."

EMPLOYERS PLAN FIGHT ON UNIONS

(By United Press Leased Wire.) CLEVELAND, O., June 8.—A fight to make Cleveland an open shop city was launched here at a meeting of the Cleveland Employers' association when General Harrison Gray Otis outlined the methods that had been employed in Los Angeles. President Kirby and Attorney Drew of the National Erectors' association spoke in favor of the movement. Eight of the largest employing concerns in the city are allied in the employers' association.

BABY IS DROWNED

Robert Ermin Garretson, the 18-months-old son of H. H. Garretson, principal of Rogers school, toddled away from the house of his grandparents near Detroit on North Bay yesterday, got into the water and was drowned. Since the death of his mother a year ago the little fellow has been staying with his grandparents. They generally kept close watch to see he did not get to the water but he slipped away yesterday. The body was discovered later floating on the water.

72 MILES IN 30 MINUTES—WOW!

(United Press Leased Wire.) PARIS, June 8.—Seventy-two and a half miles in thirty minutes was the speed record achieved by Aviator Vedrine yesterday, according to reports received here today. He flew from Dijon to Saint-Laurent-Les-Macoms in the Paris-Rome race. A terrific wind seized his machine and hurled it forward.