

Graduation day is coming for the girls in high school grade school and colleges. It brings to her and to mother and dad the problem of graduation dresses. What shall she wear on that great day? Every girl—and her mother—wants to make as good a showing as possible. But behind this there has been sometimes a lot of heart-burning, a lot of unhappiness. The girl whose parents simply can't afford to give her a nice dress, sometimes dreads the approach of graduation day. So the Times is starting a big contest Monday. What Tacoma girl can make herself—with the help of her mother and relatives—the best, prettiest and most inexpensive dress for graduation? The Times will appoint well known club women as judges, and will offer nice prizes to the winners. Watch for the big announcement in Monday's Times.

HOME EDITION

Times has largest daily circulation in Tacoma. Some reasons why on page 8 today.

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LITTLE ROY, YOUR PROBLEM, SMILES DESPITE HARDSHIP

TIMES MAN GINDS TRAGEDY AND ROMANCE AT DAY NURSERY.

"My Day Nursery!" And four-year-old Roy rushed to greet Mrs. Pierce, matron of the Day Nursery at South E and 22nd street, yesterday as she returned from down town.

With outstretched chubby hands he encircled as much of her garments as he could gather in his arms.

"Day Nursery" is the name all the tots give to Mrs. Pierce.

Following Little Roy came Willie and Orlo and Agnes and the rest. Two of the littlest fellows were sound asleep.

Every child is a tragedy.

Little Roy, bright, handsome little fellow, is the center of a romance that ought to cause the venerable Uncle Sam to sit down for a moment and let the tariff and reciprocity and interstate commerce run themselves while he does a little hard thinking about that boy.

A soldier pledged himself to Uncle Sam. He knew nothing of soldier life but he had no job and Uncle Sam urged him to join the army, so he joined. Then he met a girl. They looked into each other's eyes. They saw something that Uncle Sam does not provide for in his army ritual.

Deserted the Army. One day the soldier failed to answer roll call, and after his name was written the word "deserter."

He married that girl. Then came little Roy.

But Uncle Sam pays \$50 for a returned deserter and in time the soldier was caught, court-martialed and sent to the penitentiary for seven years.

The wife and mother, whether in desperation, grief, or because she was not strong enough to meet the batter of life, left the child with another woman and disappeared. The other woman could not keep him.

Is Heroic Story.

A friend looked into his manly little face and said she would try and now she is working day by day, leaving the little tad at the Day Nursery while she labors in a sweltering factory to earn money to "bring him up."

Little Roy is too young to know his loss and with a hug of the skirts of "Day Nursery" he was off on the run to the woodshed where he soon had a swing rope around his neck and called for help to get out.

Is Overall Boy. "I'm the overall boy," said little Willie, his black eyes dancing as he contemplated his blue jeans.

"Yes, they are all overall boys," said Mrs. Pierce, "but they do not wear them all the time. We have some little books telling about the overall boys and they are all proud to be overall boys."

"I see good boy," chirped another little tad.

"We have only good boys here. We tell them that and they try to live up to the reputation," smiled the matron.

Comparatively few Tacomans know of the great work being done in this humble cottage on South E street. Through the innocent little children, families are kept together, husbands have been reunited to their wives whom they had deserted, and



Little Roy in center, hand in mouth. Jimmy to left and Willie to right. Photographed by Times

every worker in the cause has been repaid a thousand fold in real happiness.

They Need Help.

But the quarters are insufficient. "I have three children but I cannot get there, it is not central enough," said a woman over the telephone yesterday when the

DEMS REFUSE TO ENDORSE CLARK

After a stormy session in Temple of Music today the county democrats voted down endorsement of Champ Clark and agreed to send an uninstruced delegation to Walla Walla and demanded that Maurice Langhorne be elected national delegate and endorsed J. D. Fletcher and Hugh Wallace as extra delegates at large to Baltimore if the county can push them through.

The first fight came on temporary chairman. Frank Spinning, progressive, was beaten by John M. Boyle, 155 to 148.

Then Wallace men urged a hand picked delegation.

"If we are to have a hand picked delegation why didn't the state committee pick them?" shouted Bob Evans.

"We want a full delegation, the unit rule, and we want to go down there to get something," retorted A. R. Titlow.

On roll call the hand picked delegation plan lost 213 to 94.

The platform denounced the "third term," the Payne-Aldrich

Wappy Must Serve Term

(By United Press Leased Wire.) OLYMPIA, April 27.—The supreme court yesterday refused to grant a rehearing in the case of ex-Chief of Police Wappenstein of Seattle, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for from 3 to 10 years for grafting in office.

Wappenstein will also have to pay costs amounting to \$1,349 or serve it out.

At Seattle today Wappenstein said his conviction was due to politics. "I never received as much as a 5 cent cigar from Gid Tupper or anybody else," he said.

CHOIR SINGER IS BURGLAR

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SAN JOSE, Cal., April 27.—Captured after a desperate struggle with Charles Titcomb, a coachman, following an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide, when caught red-handed robbing the home of Mrs. S. F. Morrison here, Charles B. Rey, gentleman-burglar and church choir singer, is in jail today.

Rey attacked Titcomb with an iron bar and when the noise aroused the neighborhood slashed his own throat with a penknife. Rey served a term in San Quentin and was on a five years' parole.

"YOU SOME CHICKEN, KID," CHINESE ELOPMENT.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 27.—How Chang Hong Poon, a Chinese merchant of Los Angeles, came to San Francisco and eloped with his fiancée, Minnie Quin, was told to the police today by Hoy Lee, a San Francisco laundryman. Lee said: "Poon, he velly good looking, met my Minnie. He chucked-ed Minnie under chin and said: "You some chicken, kid; Los Angeles girls blum." "That make velly big hit with Minnie and she say: 'You marry me quick?' He say, 'Yap' and he did. That velly fine business, I no think; me want American police laise hellee."

T.R. FIGHTING MAD, HITS BACK

(By United Press Leased Wire.) BOSTON, April 27.—Answering President Taft's assault on him here the night before, Theodore Roosevelt last night delivered a terrific counter attack.

Roosevelt flayed Taft as no president of the United States has been attacked in recent years. The last remnant of the old-time friendship is now gone, and the war will be to the finish, it is predicted.

Here are some of Roosevelt's charges:

"Taft knowingly told an untruth in charging me with 'backing up' on Columbus speech."

"I never quoted from Taft's letters or conversations."

"When he calls me a demagogue, he'd better save his self-respect by not pretending that it gives him pain to do so."

"It is trifling with the intelligence of the people for him to explain that by 'representative government' he meant to exclude only women and children."

"And for him to attack my comments on this as not a square deal is the crookedest kind of a deal."

"Taft's weeping over 'Boss' Flynn beating 'Boss' Penrose is grim comedy."

"I accepted the help of bosses when they worked with me for the people. Taft accepted their aid against the people."

"Taft's statement that he had never been disloyal to me is the rankest hypocrisy."

"Half an hour before he made that statement he sent out a report that I had refused to prosecute the Harvester trust."

"The attacks on me by Taft's campaign managers under Taft's very eyes was foul to the verge of indecency."

"Taft says I changed front on reciprocity. This is untrue."

"He published a letter of mine in answer to one of his marked 'confidential.' This is an unpardonable sin for a man calling himself a gentleman."

"Taft denies that he is making use of patronage. But patronage has never been used in 30 years with such scandalous abuse as this year."

"Have the people forgotten the letter his secretary sent out restoring to the insurgents the patronage Taft had taken from them?"

"No other man in the country was as eager as I to see Taft succeed."

"Until at least a year ago, I kept desperately hoping that Taft would show himself reasonably fit for his task."

"Taft means well, but is feeble and under the influence of men who are neither feeble nor well meaning."

(By United Press Leased Wire.) BOSTON, April 27.—Thousands of Boston are eagerly awaiting the speech of Col. Roosevelt here tonight, in which he is expected to repeat his Worcester attack on President Taft.

The sharp personal note which the controversy has assumed since President Taft flung down the gauntlet on Thursday has aroused interest to the highest pitch.

Taft Will Reply. (By United Press Leased Wire.) SOUTH ORANGE, N. J., April 27.—President Taft refused today to comment on Roosevelt's speech in Worcester. He is expected to reply at Philadelphia tonight.

President Taft slept late today. Accompanied by Secretary Hilges and Major Rhoades, his new military aide, the president proceeded to the Country club, and played golf.

The president expects to reach Washington Sunday morning and return to Massachusetts in the afternoon.

ONLY THREE FINGERS?

RAYMOND, April 27.—The 11-year-old son of J. H. Crosby is today suffering the loss of three fingers and a badly lacerated hand as a result of lighting a dynamite cap with a match.

Mrs. Ismay Defends Husband



NEW PICTURE OF MRS. J. BRUCE ISMAY.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) LONDON, April 27.—"If Americans knew my husband as I know him they would not question his bravery or his honor. He is always urging everything that can be done to make his ships safer."

This statement was issued by Mrs. J. Bruce Ismay today. London newspapers are featuring every scrap of testimony which favors Ismay.

SMITH SAYS HE WILL SPRING SENSATION

(By United Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Me., April 27.—In a locked private car and refusing to see anyone Vincent Astor, son of Col. John Jacob Astor, passed through this city today en route to Halifax, N. S., to take charge of his father's body.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 27.—A sensation regarding the testimony of Vice President Franklin of the White Star line was promised today by Senator William Alden Smith, chairman of the probe committee.

Chairman Smith declined to state what the developments would be. Documentary evidence is being prepared intended to refute Franklin's testimony that the White Star line did not censor wireless messages, and that the company had no authentic information of the disaster until Monday evening, April 15. The Titanic went down at 2:20 a. m. Monday, April 15.

The investigation has shown the necessity of laws requiring wireless operators being on duty on all passenger steamers both day and night. The system of their employment and supervision must be changed. The Titanic's officers and crew will be released either tonight or Monday.

180 Corpses Arrive. HALIFAX, N. S., April 27.—One hundred and eighty-nine corpses of victims of the Titanic disaster will arrive here aboard the coffin ship Mackay Bennett Monday.

The body of Col. John Jacob Astor, as well as those of Isador Straus and other prominent New Yorkers and Philadelphians, will be hurried to New York.

The curling rink here has been transformed into a temporary morgue. The body of Frank D. Millet, the artist, has been identified.

Monthly \$1000 Scanty

(By United Press Leased Wire.) OAKLAND, Cal., April 27.—Explaining that she cannot keep out of debt on \$1,000 a month, Mrs. Ermelia Dargie, widow of the late publisher of the Oakland Tribune, has asked the court to increase her allowance to \$2,000 monthly, pending final distribution of the estate.

Father In Court Paying Up, She Was On Her Honeymoon

BERKELEY, Cal., April 27.—While Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Alexander, Jr., are on their honeymoon, Edington Ditrick, insurance broker, father of the bride, is digging up \$52 for unpaid piano lessons for his daughter.

When Miss Albertina Detrick, of most exclusive family, wedded Alexander, she neglected to pay for the lessons, and even while the wedding bells were ringing the father was in court defending the suit. He claimed his daughter should have paid the bill out of her allowance.

Convict-Inventor Is Released

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 27.—Because of the faith placed in him by Miss Kate Barnard, prison reformer, Joy J. Myers, serving a term in the Florence prison for forgery, will be permitted to go to Washington to patent an invention which Miss Barnard asserts will revolutionize mechanics.

Myers' device, it is claimed, takes free electricity direct from the air.

The legislature gave Myers freedom temporarily on his honor. His expenses will be paid from a fund contributed by the legislature.

Poured Oil On Floors, Students On Strike

(By United Press Leased Wire.) PALOUSE, April 27.—Five boy students of the Palouse college are expelled, three under suspension, others are on strike and Superintendent Jones is protected by an armed guard today.

A number of boys poured a vile smelling liquid over the school floors and were suspended or expelled. Others said they were equally guilty and went on strike.

NOBODY'S DOG FINDS OWNER

Homeless Dog at Pound Doomed to Die Turns Out to Be Valuable Pet of Rich Woman--Restored to Owner Through Times.

"Nobody's dog" is somebody's dog today. The Times saved his life.

And the "two-dollar dog" of yesterday's story is nearly as valuable a dog as the \$1,000 dog at Armory show.

Maybe a lot more valuable to his fair owner who swept up in a big automobile this morning and fell on his neck, crying with joy. While "Bob," which is the real name of "Nobody's Dog," just jumped and frisked and pounded his tail for sheer happiness.

Here's the story.

Phone Lines Buzzed.

Within 20 minutes after the Times told the story yesterday of how a handsome English setter, as fine looking dog as Quilleda Queen, the \$1,000 pride of the dog show, was waiting for ignominious death at the dog pound, the telephone wires began to buzz. All evening the Times force and Poundmaster Henry B. Fuller were kept busy answering inquiries.

Everybody wanted to save the dog, it seemed. Dozens of people tramped to the pound personally to get him.

"I'm going to hold him a little longer," Fuller told them all, "in the hope that the owner may show up."

Owner Sees Story.

Last night over at the Donnelly hotel, Mrs. John Rosenthal was reading the Times. She saw the story, looked twice, then jumped up.

"Why, it's Bob," she exclaimed. She hurried to the pound the first thing today. Poor Bob was feeling pretty dejected and forlorn when she arrived. He didn't stay that way long.

Mrs. Rosenthal wanted to reward Fuller with a \$20 bill in addition to the \$2 pound fee, in her relief, but Fuller refused.

"I didn't want to shoot the dog anyway," he said. "I think I'd have held him a month, even though it was time to shoot him now."

Raised Him From Pup.

"I've had him ever since he was a tiny little puppy, even before he had his eyes open," said the owner. "He is four years old. He got lost somehow three days ago and I've been just disconsolate. I am mighty grateful to you and to the Times."

While "Bob" and his mistress left in the automobile, 16 other doomed dogs looked on, wondering. No one had come to reclaim them from death.

There were two fine looking collies, a handsome bulldog, a kind-faced shepherd, one little spitz, four "feists" and seven who were "just dog."

"What will you do with those?" asked the Times man.

"I'll have to shoot them Monday," said Fuller.

HAS GILLIES MADE GOOD?

With the filing of the articles of incorporation for the Lewis & Clark Steel Company, capitalized at \$5,300,000, this morning closely following the return of A. P. Gillies, speculation is rife today.

That a \$10,000,000 steel plant may be located on Chambers creek, Stellacom, is one of many rumors.

The company is a re-organization, apparently, of the company first organized by Gillies. It names as directors Malcolm E. Gunsten, W. R. Flasket, Lucian W. Heath, A. P. Gillies and Fenwick W. Taylor.

None of those mentioned would comment on the matter, beyond the statement by Heath: "We may build a steel plant on Chambers creek."

With contributions coming from Missouri and New Hampshire, the Early fund has reached a total today of \$872.06.

SAYS GAS CO. IS LOSING

The suit of the Tacoma Gas Consumers' League to compel the Tacoma Gas company to reduce rates to \$1 gas for general consumers with less for the large users, will be withdrawn.

The report of Expert H. S. Gray of the public service commission has been completed and his figures indicate that the company is not making any money at the present rates.

One of the greatest cases of watering stock, however, ever known in the Northwest is indicated by the history of the stock jobbing by the former owners of the gas company in Gray's report.

TO LAY CORNERSTONE SEATTLE, April 27.—The Seattle chamber of commerce leaves this afternoon at 3 o'clock for Bremerton, where the laying of the cornerstone of the new navy drydock occurs today.

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