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ON THE EDITORIAL PAGE OF TODAY'S
TIMES YOU WILL FIND A BATCH OF LET-
TERS DISCUSSING THE "WET" AND "DRY"
QUESTION. THERE ARE SOME MIGHTY
GOOD ARGUMENTS FOR BOTH SIDES AND
IT WILL PAY YOU TO READ THEM OVER.
THEY ARE INTERESTING.

THE ONLY THING PRESIDENT TAFT
EVER DID, WITHDRAWING OIL LANDS IN
CALIFORNIA, HAS BEEN KICKED IN THE
FACE BY A FEDERAL JUDGE. JOHN DEE
WILL NOW SHOOT A FEW MORE IN COLO-
RADO.



THE WAY NOT TO STOP
AUTO SPEEDING



AND THE WAY TO STOP IT

VICTIM LEFT ON STREET BY AUTO SPEEDER

Run down by a Ford automobile at 11th and A streets Sunday night at 10:40 o'clock, John Miller, an aged fisherman, was left lying in the middle of the street, apparently dead, while the driver of the machine opened his throttle and tore down the street at a 40-mile speed.

Miller is in a serious condition today at the county hospital, where he was taken by the police after pedestrians had picked him up and carried for his injuries. But all trace of the automobile and its driver has been lost. The license number, according to an eye-witness, ended with the numbers "78" but the remainder of the license number is not known.

WHAT WE PAY FOR BERRIES

Tacoma is paying \$2 and \$2.50 for its strawberries this year. Of course, the crates of berries are labeled \$1 and \$1.25, but Mrs. Housewife is paying just double the ordinary price for them, just the same.

At least, she is paying the usual price for berries, but is getting just half as many as ever before. The last legislature passed a law demanding that berry boxes contain either one quart or one pint of berries. The law was aimed at the growers who sold berries in boxes that had false bottoms. Heretofore an ordinary berry box always contained approximately a quart.

DEAD MEN VOTED

NEW YORK, June 8.—District Attorney Whitman announced today that four dead men were registered as having voted in the 12th assembly district of which Charles F. Murphy is leader. To date 88 indictments have been found against election officials.

HUERTA BACKS DOWN

MEXICO CITY, June 8.—Huerta has decided to countermand the order for the federal blockade at Tampico. It is believed this action followed the receipt of advices from his envoys at Niagara Falls that the United States would not permit the blockade. It temporarily removed the danger of renewed hostilities between American and Mexican federal forces.

CODED MESSAGE

NIAGARA FALLS, June 8.—A code telegram from the envoys is believed to have been responsible for Huerta's decision not to blockade Tampico. It is understood the Mexicans already have outlined to the mediators their views relative to the Tampico situation, and the understanding was that the mediators would pass the information along to the American envoys at a meeting scheduled for today.

ACCEPT \$100,000

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—It was learned confidentially today from official sources that the treasury department would shortly accept a \$100,000 settlement in the Wanamaker customs frauds, concerning which a scandal arose recently.

MAYOR HOLDS UP LEASE OF MACHINE CO.

An application from the Hicks-Bull Machine company for a five-year lease on part of the city's waterfront property on Dock street near the 11th street bridge was held up by Mayor Fawcett today because the machine works wanted more than a business man would give in a similar transaction.

Unnecessary Says

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—Flat declaration that he considers the Norris amendment to the resolution providing for the repeal of the exemption clause in the canal tolls bill unnecessary, was voiced by the president today.

\$25,000 TO HEIRS

EL PASO, June 8.—Rebel representatives agreed today to pay \$25,000 gold as indemnity to the heirs of Gustav Bauch, the German-American who disappeared some time ago at Juarez, and it was generally believed that he had been executed, although this has never been formally admitted.

WOMEN PLEAD WITH THE GOV. TO SURRENDER

MAZATLAN, June 7.—(Via wireless to San Diego.)—A mob of starving women followed Governor Rodriguez through the streets of Mazatlan today and implored him to surrender the city to the rebels and end the famine which is becoming more serious each day. The crowd, which included many emaciated children, followed the governor to his residence and begged for food. He finally arranged to distribute small supplies of corn each day to keep the people alive. Demonstrations are becoming more serious. Little food is left and Rodriguez still refuses to surrender the port.

TODAY'S CLEARINGS.
Clearings \$430,915.61
Balances 43,520.78

WHY THE GUGGENHEIMS AND OTHER TRUSTS ARE

DONATING

Where did the Stop-Look-Listen league get that quarter of a million slush fund to fight the people's initiative bills known as the "Seven Sisters?"
Where?
That's easy.
The Guggenheim syndicate furnished a big fat wad of it.
And here's the reason:
The Guggenheims are intensely interested in defeating the bill to abolish the private employment agencies.
Private employment agencies as a rule furnish gunmen and professional plug uglies to break up strikes.
The Tacoma smelter, a Guggenheim property, you will remember, hired thugs and other brands of professional strike breakers to knock out the strike there last fall. Shots were fired, a striker was killed and several wounded but no one was prosecuted.
Abolish the private employment agencies and where will the Guggenheim's obtain their gunmen so readily and quickly?
The public employment bureaus will not send out men to places where strikes are on without notifying them the exact conditions.
The private employment shark has sent hundreds without telling them of the existence of labor trouble there.
The Guggenheims, and others want the employment shark to remain.
The people have a chance to block their game. Initiative measure No. 8 abolishes the private employment graft. It is one of the "Seven Sisters."
The evil influences at the last legislature under the standpat regime of Speaker Taylor and Ed Sims prevented the passage of a similar law.
So it is now up to the people to initiate and pass their own law.
If you are in favor of killing the employment graft in this state sign this bill, and sign it before June 18!

MARRIED WOMEN FRIENDS RECEIVE FORTUNE FROM PLATONIC ADMIRER



John M. Keith and Mrs. J. D. Spreckles, Jr. (top), and Mrs. Willard C. Chamberlain.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 8.—The story of a platonic friendship as simple as it was unusual, between an aged man and two young married women of wealth was brought to light here recently with the filing of the will of the late John M. Keith, 82-year-old oil operator, whose fortune ranged between \$600,000 and \$1,000,000.
Besides bequests to relatives, Keith left to Mrs. John D. Spreckles and to Mrs. Willard C. Chamberlain, neither of whom were related to the aged oil man, \$50,000 and \$25,000 respectively.
Mrs. Spreckles and Mrs. Chamberlain had been great friends of the famed oil operator almost since infancy and regarded him almost as a father. His friendship for them was no less sincere. It was common to see the three in each other's company before their marriage and Keith, childless as he was, showered them with attentions and gifts. Mrs. Spreckles frequently visited Keith at his hotel-home with her friends after her marriage.
Keith made his fortune in the famous California oil fields where for years he was a prominent and picturesque character.

FRED BOALT EATS, TALKS AND SLEEPS WITH REBELS; LEARNS WHY THERE IS WAR

BY FRED L. BOALT.
By Mail from Tampico.
TAMPICO, Mex., June 1.—Terrible fellows are these rebels. Bloodthirsty and relentless bandits. Yet when I went among them at the old Cuartel, they gave me food. When night came they gave me a blanket. And in the morning I joined with them in entertaining two pink-beaked and bashful sailor boys who had strayed from the Dutch man-of-war in the river.
We drank their black coffee—the Dutch boys and I—and smoked their cigarettes beneath a sign which said:
"Fumar Prohibe."
I gave them the English translation, "Smoking Forbidden," and they managed it very well. But when the Dutch boys gave them "Rooken Verboden," their tongues twisted and they roared with hysterical laughter over their failure.
Then they posed for the camera, and it was a pleasant game. They seemed more like amiable children than bandits—children playing at war, with real rifles and with belts heavy with real cartridges for toys.
This, though, is a mistaken impression. They are neither bandits nor children, but real men, awake and pursuing an ideal.
By and by there came to us a man from the north. He had been a cowboy in Texas, and he spoke English. Lean and worn and very old he was, but agile as any boy.
"We do not like this fighting," he told me. "We are tired of it. But we must go on and on fighting, until Mexico belongs to the Mexicans."
"We want the land—the land which was our fathers' and the land which was taken from them."
"You have been told, senator, that we fight because it is an easy life, giving opportunities to rob. That is a lie!"
"We knew we were enlisting to fight to get back the land, so that each man of us might have his little farm, to own it and work it, so that his wife and children might have good food and good clothes and an education."
"Well, senator, after we had taken Torreón, our chief, Gen. Carranza, gave us some of the land we had taken. You cannot know how glad we were. It seemed to us that this was the fulfillment of our dream."
"We could not wait. We built little homes, and very soon the green things were springing from the good ground that had been waste."
"The time came to move on, and we did not want to go. But our chief explained to us, through our officers, that the time of peace had not yet come to Mexico."
"Well, we have taken Tampico now. Soon Saitillo will fall; then San Luis Potosí; and, after San Luis Potosí—the capital!"
"Then we shall have peace in Mexico."

SEEKS TO GET HARRY THAW FREE ON BAIL

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—As Thaw's legal representative, ex-Governor Stone of Pennsylvania appeared before the supreme court today for bail for his client. He left the amount to be fixed by the court. Stone gave as his main reason why Thaw wanted his freedom under bond the necessity of his presence in Pittsburgh in connection with pending litigation.
In the application that Stone submitted it was stated that Thaw was only charged with a misdemeanor—conspiracy to escape from Mexico—and that the New Hampshire authorities declare it safe to permit him to have his liberty.

EAST TOO HOT EIGHT DEATHS ARE REPORTED

CLEVELAND, June 8.—Eight prostrations from heat were reported by 10 o'clock today. The thermometer stood at 85. Free ice is being distributed in the poorer districts, where suffering is great.

RESEARCH CLUB TO HEAR PROF. ALLEN

At the Historical Society building tomorrow night Prof. W. N. Allen, newly elected park commissioner, will discuss before the Research club the subject of the geology of Puget Sound. Prof. Allen has long been an authority on the subject. The public is invited to the meeting.
The secretary will also read a prospectus of proposed field trips for the summer. The bringing in to the museum of a mastodon from Hoods canal, the excavation of shell heaps and Indian mounds, and the investigation of Indian picture writings high on the walls of Columbia canyon are in contemplation.

SOCIETY GIRL HELPS TO NAB BATH OWNER

A pretty young woman, her cheeks covered with rouge, and her head adorned with a feather bedecked hat, walked into the Hamman baths, 1211 A street, Saturday night accompanied by a young man, dressed in the most correct "tough" attire.
"Give us a room and a private bath, Buddy," said out the girl.
"Sure," sang back L. M. Juttelstad, a rubber employed at the baths.
When the room was obtained, the "tough" young man called out:
"Hey, Buddy, bring us a bottle of beer and a couple 'o glasses."
"Sure," said Juttelstad, with a wise wink to the girl.
No sooner had the beer been delivered than Detectives Recob and Brown busted into the room, collared Juttelstad, and pretended to arrest the young couple. Juttelstad was sent to jail and the couple released the minute they reached the sidewalk.
"My, but it took a lot of nerve to do that," was the young woman's exclamation, as she tore the "tough" feathers from her hat and rubbed the rouge off her cheeks.
The young woman was one prominent in Tacoma's clubs. It was reported at the city hall today, and the young man is well known in business circles. Both are interested in civil reform, and when the police needed help in getting evidence against the bathhouse, they offered their services. The police absolutely refused to give out their names today.
"That bathhouse is notorious," said Captain Fitzgerald today, "but it is a place that protects itself well, and some kind of a clever ruse had to be acted to 'get' it. The young woman worked her part like a theatrical star, although it was an obnoxious one, and she deserves all the praise that can be given her for her assistance."

SENTORIAL BEE IS STILL BUZZING IN MAYOR'S HEAD

Marshall K. Snell, local attorney, visited Mayor Fawcett today and wanted to know about the mayor's senatorial ambitions.
"Mr. Fawcett," said Snell, "do you think it's hardly right after the people elected you, for you to start campaigning for another office?"
"I haven't started campaigning and I don't intend to," was the mayor's quick reply. "I will go into the fight on my record, and will not take a minute of my time here at the city hall to campaign."
"But how about leaving this job, after you have started in to make a clean-up and a new record here at the city hall?"
"Well, if I am elected senator," replied the mayor, "I wouldn't take office until February, and if I can't clean things up at the city hall and get the city running right between now and February I never can. My friends want me to go into the race, and I haven't changed my mind about it."
"Oh, all right, mayor," said Snell, as he walked away, "you know your own business."
LOSOS TONOS.
W. C. Kaufman, 601 East 25th street, a paper-hanger, notified the police today that his paper-hanging tools had been stolen yesterday from 805 East 25th street.