

FEATURES!

THE WEATHER

Fair and coolish until tomorrow night anyway. That is the official dope on the weather according to the forecasting gentlemen today.

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WOMENFOLK

will invariably find entertainment and instruction on the woman's page of The Times. The series of articles on "How Much Is a Husband Worth" is a distinct hit.

The Tacoma Times

LOVE-SICK TACOMA GIRL TAKES POISON



THE RIFT IN THE LUTE OF ARCADY!

I. Pan, I bid thee leave me And not my peace disturb! I am through, believe me, With moan, and form and verb! Tempt me not with harp nor lute, Tempt me not to sing; Let the lyre's strings be mute, I have had my fling!

II. No more verses will I weave, And no more sheafs of wit; I am done. Nor, do I grieve That I am gone, quit! Pan, I mean thee no offense, But get me right, old kid; You have gotta beat it hence— On romance SHUT THAT LID!

NOTE: The above is inspired by the intelligence which shuffles in today, as we scamper to press, that eugenics will probably be hinted at, if not taught right out loud, in our public schools this year.

In talking of nothing at all, as you might say, we observe happily that such staid journals as the Oregonian and the Post-Intelligencer are becoming right frivolous in their respective old age. In the Oregonian a cut-up named Rex Lammpan, a name to conjure with, by the way, conducts "The Monday Crawfish." It is a worthy effort. Here are two items from the current issue:

ULTIMA THULE

W. B. Smith wrote his name on the register at the Mult. last Mon. from Selah, Wash., which must be the last word in towns.

THE BALANCE OF TRADE
Charley Rossa, who runs a nifty popcorn wagon at 3d and Alder, tells us that when the weather is cool the popcorn business is good, but when it is hot people drink more beer, and that the opposite is also true. It must be the balance of trade that the financial experts are always talking about.

And from "The Totem Pole" which appears more or less regularly with the venerable, not to say hoary P.-I., I scissor these sterling paragraphs:

GAY OLD DOG

Mr. Bowman, of Tacoma, was a guest at the home of the Remleys last Monday. He came to see Mrs. S. E. Erickson, who is boarding there.—Central Chronicle.

SAVING WITHOUT PAIN
"I will save you 50 cents on every dollar on the best dental work made by human hands, and without pain," says Dr. E. J. Brown, in a Post-Intelligencer ad.

THE DIARY OF A MODERN MR. PEPPYS.

July 27.—Comes today a telegraph-message from my wife in which I am told the already familiar news that she is en route and that San Francisco looks the same as it did three years ago which is news not worth any part of three shillings, say I, this being the sum I had to pay in order to learn the aforesaid news. Of all in-door, if it may be called, sports, that my wife affects, telegraph-messaging is by far her favorite, and I do wish she would take up the making of samplers or jam-preserving or post-carding, these being more innocuous and by far less expensive than telegraph-messaging. To the baseball game in fond hope of witnessing a Roman Holiday with Master Burnside, the umpire, playing the dual role of the Roman and the Holiday, but the crowd seemed cowed and Master Burnside chewed tobacco with the same nonchalance and careless indifference as of yore, which I call heady work.

O. K. CHESTNUT.

HE SHOULD WORRY
ST. PETERSBURG, July 28.—Despite the war scare, the czar left on a scheduled visit for the Finnish skerries. He arranged to keep in close touch with St. Petersburg.

Another Shark In Trouble

A crusade against loan sharks is being planned by the Pierce county prosecutor's office. A letter was received by the office today from Deputy Prosecutor McGuire of Portland, where recent loan shark raids have exposed startling conditions among the men who loan money to working people, in which McGuire furnished the Tacoma officials with information against a notorious chain of loan shark offices. One of the officers of this chain is located in Tacoma, and has been operating here with the same boldness that caused the wholesale raids of the shylock offices in Portland.

Washington's criminal statute differs from that of Oregon on the question of usury, but the loan sharks can be prosecuted for obtaining money under false pretenses.

From the evidence unearthed in Portland, following the arrest of two young women agents of a loan shark outfit, D. D. Drake, it became known, a loan shark of national notoriety, is active in this section of the country and efforts are being made today to locate Drake's office in Tacoma and Seattle. It seems that Drake is "under cover" with his offices in this part of the country.

Misses M. R. Couillard and T. E. Donahue, in charge of the offices in Portland, maintained to the district attorney's deputies they were the owners of the business and they were arrested as the proprietors. None of them are, but a contract was brought to light in searching through the company's captured records, that indicates they are merely tools of the artful Drake.

Contracts implicate Drake. This agreement appears to turn over the business to the two fair defendants for a consideration of \$5,381, of which they were to pay \$1,000 a year. In addition they were to pay to D. D. Drake \$75 every six months in return for his services in hunting up delinquents. But, strange to say, although they were the owners, their agreement allows them to retain only \$45 per month each. All the rest of the profits must be sent to Drake, together with a full report of each month's transactions.

FACTS

About Our Savings Department. Who It's For.

No. 4.—It is for boys and girls, to help them to be economical and industrious and to encourage them to acquire habit of saving, provide a fund to educate them and to make them independent.

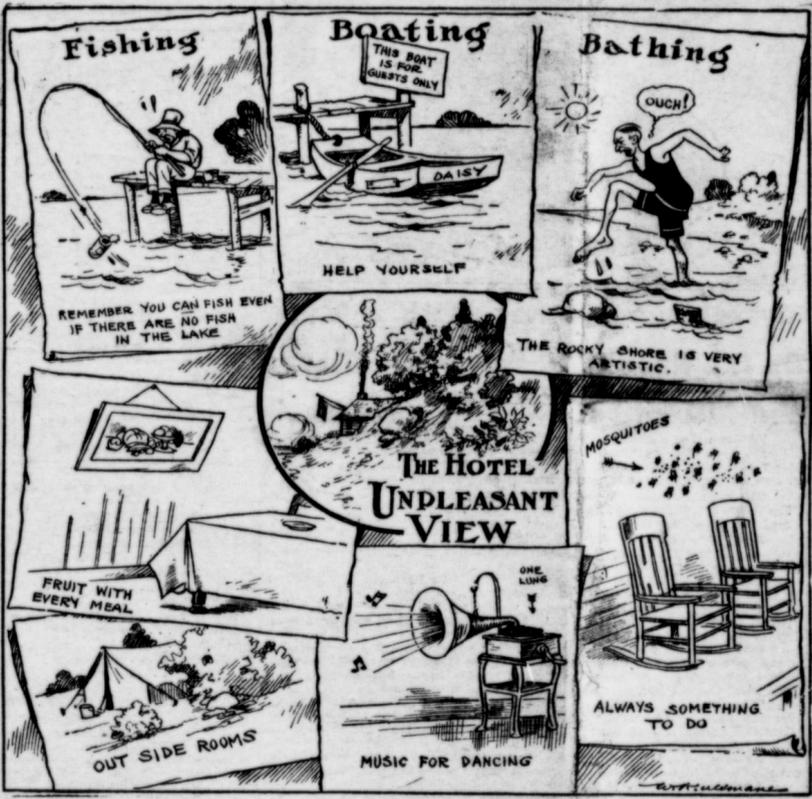
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PUGET SOUND STATE BANK
1115 Pacific Ave.

The Times leads in exclusive news features over all other papers in Tacoma just as it has always been the leader. Winifred West's page for the women-folk is bright, entertaining and helpful. The Times editorials are sharp, and they SAY SOMETHING WORTH WHILE. Cynthia Grey's letters continue to hold an immense audience of readers who would feel lost without that feature. The Times believes in being happy and the "Just Lookin' On" column on this page, written by O. K. Chestnut, is the sprightliest original humorous feature in the Northwest. "The Lantern" is entertaining, helpful and a strong influence for the betterment of this town. In THE PINK, issued every night after the ball game, keeps Tacoma fans abreast of the times in important sport events. In short, you get a full penny's worth for a penny when you buy THE TIMES!

BETTER STRUGGLE BEGUN

TRUTHFUL ADVERTISEMENTS OF SOME RESORTS



DECISION ON RECALL TO BE GIVEN OUT

Commissioner of Public Safety A. U. Mills will know tomorrow morning whether or not he will be recalled by the citizens of Tacoma.

Superior Judge Card, spokesman for the court of three judges that heard evidence in the recall battle last week, announced at noon today that the decision would be handed down tomorrow morning.

At the court house today rumors were rife that the decision would be in favor of the holding of a recall election. Judge Card refused to divulge the nature of the decision, although he admitted that it was practically completed and ready for the signatures of Judges Clifford and Chapman.

If the court holds that a recall election shall be held, City Clerk Nickens will next week set a day for the election. It is considered a certainty in political circles that Mills will lose his job if the recall proposition comes up for a vote.

Today's Best Joke

Mrs. N. Peck—Did you ever notice that when a motorman leaves his car he carries that little crank with him?
Nathan Peck—Yes, and he has always had my sympathy, having to take a crank with him every-where he—
"Sirr!"—I—er—I mean—why, good morning, Buttinsky! I was never so glad to see anybody in my life!

TUNNEL PIERCED TO SAVE FIFTY MEN

ELLENBURG, July 28.—The lives of 50 men were saved Monday night when the 12,000 foot tunnel through the Cascade was pierced after five hours of the most strenuous work. The men on the east portal were entombed when the tunnel caved in about 4500 feet from the mouth, leaving them in a tomb 100 feet long and 25 feet high. The men on the west portal received word of the accident and immediately with the night crew which was called for the emergency, began drilling. After five hours of drilling the men from both sides met five days ahead of the time fixed by the engineers.

FOUR KILLED

CHICAGO, July 28.—One woman and three men were killed, instantly, and two men and two women injured when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a fast passenger train near Lake Forest Monday night.

WHITE SLAVER GETS 20 YEARS IN PRISON

NEW YORK, July 28.—Denying every appeal for clemency Judge Gibbs, in the Bronx county court, sentenced Francesco Machiote, the second of an alleged gang of "white slavers," to be convicted, to serve twenty years in Sing Sing and to pay a fine of \$5,000. This is the maximum penalty. Machiote must serve one day in the penitentiary for each dollar of the

SOLDIERS AFRAID OF VENGEANCE

LONDON, July 28.—Only the fact that it was believed the soldiers would be killed if they ventured from their barracks prevented the immediate withdrawal of the King's Own Scottish Borderers from Dublin, it was tacitly admitted today in government circles here.

Feeling in Ireland against the troops who fired Sunday into a home rule crowd, killing four and wounded about 80, was seemingly growing more and more bitter. Town councils throughout the whole Catholic part of the island were adopting resolutions branding the affair a massacre and demanding the punishment of everyone concerned in it.

It was thought likely that the coroner, who was expected to return a verdict this afternoon, would charge the soldiers with murder.

MME. CAILLAUX IS ACQUITTED

(BULLETIN.)
PARIS, July 28.—Mme. Caillaux was acquitted this evening of murder. She shot and killed Gaston Calmette, editor of Le Figaro, in his office last spring. Calmette's paper had published letters written to Mme. Caillaux by her husband while he was the husband of another woman. Caillaux was premier of France but after the killing he resigned.

PARIS, July 28.—Mme. Caillaux again today during the denunciation of her by Attorney Chenu, representing the Calmette family, in his closing argument. She was carried from the court room. Terrific commotion attended the incident.

"The defendant went to the office of Le Figaro," thundered Chenu, "with a single purpose, the pistol she purchased lay in her muff when she entered Calmette's office. She went there determined to kill him." Here Mme. Caillaux collapsed.

Victim Cannot Recover

At 1 o'clock today doctors at the county hospital gave up all hope for the life of Miss Riemer. The young woman swallowed 30 bichloride of mercury tablets, half of the contents of a regulation sized phial of the poison. Every effort to save her life failed, and she was slowly dying this afternoon.

Miss Esther Hope Riemer swallowed several tablets of bichloride of mercury in her room in the Grand hotel at 1519 Pacific avenue today and is dying in the county hospital.

When the frightened clerk at the hotel broke into the girl's room this morning, hearing her groans, he found this farewell message written on a slip of cardboard: "After I am dead, notify room 247, Croft hotel."

The girl was taken to the county hospital but she has no chance of recovery, the doctors say. The poison works slowly and she will probably linger, fully conscious, for five or six days.

The police learned that A. Howard, 25, a clerk, lives in room 247 in the Croft hotel.

Howard went to police headquarters today as soon as he learned that Miss Riemer had taken poison and told the police that he became acquainted with the girl several weeks ago. She seemed to be infatuated with him. Last night she came to the Croft hotel and tried to gain entrance to young Howard's room. He refused to let her in and the hotel people say she made such a disturbance that they ejected her.

Miss Riemer is a very attractive and well-governed girl. She is 24 years old and came to Tacoma from Wilkeson some time ago. Her relatives, who live in Wilkeson, were notified today of the girl's suicide attempt.

Now, Trixie Wants Divorce



TRIXIE FRIGANZA.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 28.—Trixie Friganza, who is one of the week's theatrical attractions in San Francisco, today, in Chicago, filed suit for divorce from Charles A. Goettler, charging cruelty and non-support.

From her apartments the actress, when asked for her version of the story behind the formal Chicago complaint, sent down a message to the effect that she didn't wish to be disturbed.

Then she changed her mind and consented to an interview. "I don't like this sort of publicity," declared the comedienne, "but I will say this much: I was disappointed in my husband. He seemed to think I was so well able to earn my own living that he never contributed a cent to my support."

She said she married Goettler, who was her manager, two years ago.

Help of England Scorned

BRYAN GETS BUSY.
WASHINGTON, July 28.—Bryan laid before the cabinet confidential advice concerning the European war situation. It is agreed in the event of a great conflict the United States will be neutral.

MEDIATION REFUSED.
LONDON, July 28.—That Germany officially rejected England's Austro-Serbian mediation proposal is asserted in Berlin.

STEAMER CAPTURED.
NISH SEVILIA, July 28.—The government announced that Austrians at Orhava captured Serbian Danube steamer Dellgrad.

TROOPS CROSS DANUBE.
PARIS, July 28.—Occupation of Belgrade by two Austrian army corps was reported at the Austrian embassy today. It is said there was no resistance.

LONDON, July 28.—The Serbian legation was officially advised that Austrians captured two Serbian vessels at Kocavar.

LONDON, July 28.—That Austrian troops crossed the Danube into Serbia is reported here, Paris and Berlin.

LONDON, July 28.—Austria formally declared war against Serbia today, according to dispatches received from Vienna. This announcement followed Austria's refusal to suspend hostilities pending mediation attempts, suggested by Foreign Minister Grey of England. In his reply to Grey Foreign Minister Count von Berchtold of Austria made it plain that his country had gone too far to turn back. It is semi-officially admitted here that Grey was met with a rebuff in an attempt to keep peace, and that for a time being his plans were held in abeyance.

TACOMA TALKS

Every time you knock your home town you are plucking a piece of good hard coin from your own purse. Every time you hear a fellow crabbng about Tacoma, you can bet your sweet life he'd crab about Heaven if he ever got there, which is a more or less doubtful proposition. Every dollar that you put into a home isn't money spent at all; it's invested in the best bond on the market.

TODAY'S CLEARINGS
Clearings \$ 315,125.37
Balances 58,473.65
Transactions 1,008,553.17

HOUSEWIVES, BEWARE OF THESE BUNCO ARTISTS!

Housewives of Tacoma, beware of the bunco peddlers!

Deputy Prosecutor A. B. Comfort issued a bulletin today warning housewives against signing contracts with peddlers of merchandise who have invaded the city in the last few weeks. The prosecutor has already received numerous complaints of the bunco men, and says that the public should be on its guard.

There are three classes of companies operating here now, said Comfort today. "One of them handles wicker chairs. Another handles doctor books. And

the third handles sewing machines.

The agents get a woman to sign a contract to pay \$1 down and a small monthly installment, with the oral option that she can get her money back if she doesn't like the article or her husband objects. When the collector comes around for the installments, however, he refuses to give back any money if the purchaser is dissatisfied.

Comfort said today that several persons had already complained of being buncoed in this fashion, and that he was preparing to start criminal prosecution.